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Faculty unite in support of Graduate Programs

Message sent to Administration

By Hugh Spain
Editor in chief

Chairman of the English department, Dr. Scott Pollard submitted the first of two motions to support the Environmental Science and Applied Physics and Computer Science Masters programs during Wednesday's special faculty meeting.

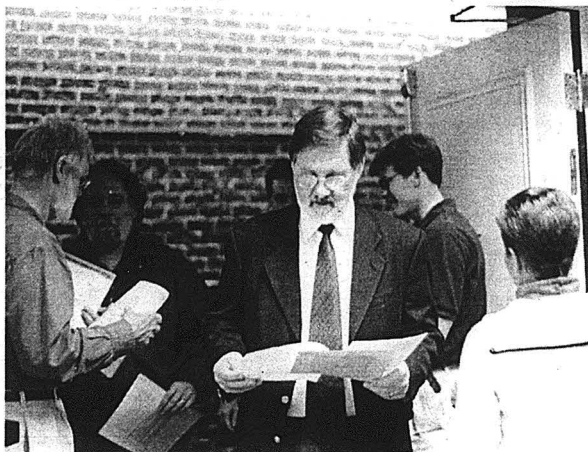
Out of approximately 145 instructional faculty present, two faculty members abstained and the rest voted in favor of the motion. "It was a clear signal to the administration from the faculty," said Pollard.

The first vote reaffirmed the Faculty Senate's Oct. 13 decision to support the two programs and requested that "...the Provost lift the moratorium on admissions to these programs and recommend to the President the continuation and support of both programs."

Perhaps an even stronger statement about the negative climate between the administration and faculty was made when faculty members voted on the second motion. Submitted by Dr. Kenneth Rose of the Religious Studies department, the motion cites a clause in the University Handbook stating, "...instructional faculty should have the reasonable opportunity to participate..." in the decision making process concerning academics at CNU.

The resolution brought forth by the second motion is a plea to the administration

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Above: Faculty members collect literature passed out by the heads of the programs slated for removal in the Environmental and Computer Science programs

Left: Dr. Ashby Kinch, professor of English, speaks to a protestor before entering the Student Center for the faculty meeting.



145 professors attend meeting

By Steve Flemming Jr.
Staff Writer

"They're avoiding us... I can't believe it!" shouted a student, picket sign in tow. As students lined the walkway leading to the Student Center clutching signs saying everything from "Save CNU" and "No Confidence" to "Et Tu Brutus," faculty filed in slowly, some strolling through the picketers and some not.

The debate over saving the graduate programs in Environmental Science and Applied Physics and Computer Science has been raging for weeks, rousing support from students, faculty and the community. In a special meeting Nov. 1, the CNU faculty took a major step.

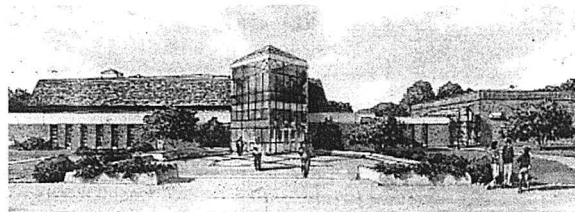
Department of Physics, Computer Science and Engineering Chairman Dr. Randall H. Caton said the meeting, drawing around 145 faculty members, was an effort to demonstrate that the faculty at large - not just a few members - does care about the issue.

"The Faculty Senate voted to support [the programs], and the comment from administration was that only a few faculty members cared," Caton said. "We wanted to send the message that it wasn't just a few faculty. Around 15 (faculty) senators voted the first time, and they have shown that they represented their constituents."

The meeting resulted in two major de-

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Future of Ratcliffe



Building undergoing transformation into multi-purpose facility

Staff Report

Large glass atriums for entrances stand out in this artist's rendition of the future look of Ratcliffe gymnasium. The entire transformation of Ratcliffe from a construction zone to the final product will cost approximately \$5.5 million.

The English, Government, Public Affairs, and Sports and Wellness departments will be moved into the enhanced facility once completed. What used to be the gym area in Ratcliffe will be turned into two floors of office and classroom space.

The renovations and additions to Ratcliffe are essential in the "emptying" of Ferguson in order to begin work on the Arts

Center.

Sports teams will still have use of Ratcliffe as locker rooms will be designated for sports teams that practice and participate in events held outdoors. This site offers more convenience for these sports due to the close proximity of their facilities in relation to Ratcliffe.

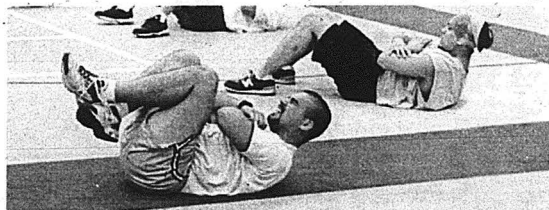
Along with the changes to Ratcliffe, plans to add an information and technology center to Smith Library are in the initial stages of development. Construction of a new residence hall is expected to begin as early as February or March of 2001. The new dormitory will be significantly smaller than James River Hall and Santoro Hall with space for 150 students.

Football conditioning



Even though CNU's first official football season does not begin until the fall of 2001, potential players have already started preparing by working out in the new Freeman center.

Photos by Tom Stormer, *The Captain's Log*



Parking decal larceny

Campus police reported that Parking Lot D, a primarily commuter lot, has experienced a rash of parking decal theft.

Both students and faculty have reported twenty-five decal thefts from lots around campus since the beginning of the semester. Decal thieves have targeted Lot D with a higher frequency. They have grabbed eight decals from Lot D since Aug., while from Jan. through Dec., only one theft was reported.

According to police reports, the most often stolen decal type is the electrostatic decal. Although it offers more flexibility, it is not permanent and can be easily peeled off any window.

University Police would like the CNU community to immediately report theft of decals. According to Chief Brown promptness allows police to quickly notify parking administration officials so that a search for the illegal display of the stolen decal may be initiated.

Students and faculty are advised to report any suspicious individual lurking in parking lots, looking inside car windows, or checking car doors to determine if they are locked. Vehicles should remain locked and secured while unattended.

—Campus Police Press Release

Congressman Robert Scott to speak at December commencement

President Paul Tribble announced that Congressman Robert "Bobby" Scott will give the commencement speech for the upcoming December graduation ceremony. Graduation ceremonies will be held at 10 a.m. on Dec. 16 in the Sports and Convocation Center.

Congressman Scott is in his fourth term in Congress and serves on the Judiciary Committee and the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Prior to his election to the U.S. House of Representatives, Scott served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1978 to 1983 and the Virginia State Senate from 1983 to 1993.

"Bobby Scott has lived a life of success and significance and we are honored he will speak at our winter graduation," said CNU President Paul Tribble.

Scott is a graduate of Harvard College and Boston College Law School and has

been a lifelong resident of Newport News. He has had a long-standing interest in crime issues and in this Congress he has been entrusted with leading the Democrats on the Crime Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee.

During the 105th Congress, Scott's legislative accomplishments included co-authoring the only bipartisan juvenile crime bill to pass the House and working with a select group of House and Senate members to rewrite the 24 year old special education law.

While in the Virginia General Assembly, Scott introduced legislation that created the Governor's Employment and Training Division and championed measures to improve health care for infants and children.

—CNU News Release

Dr. Lea Pellett presents video lecture on Kenya

The first installment of the 2000-01 Dean William Parks Colloquia will feature Christopher Newport University Professor Lea Pellett from the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology.

Her presentation, "Windows without Cows: Voices of Maasai Women," is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 13 at 12 p.m. in the Alumni Room of the CNU Student Center. The event is free and open to the public.

Pellett's talk will focus on the field aspects of living and working with a nomadic herding society, as well as the ethical issues pertaining to an anthropological project related to female circumcision.

Dr. Pellett's presentation will feature a lecture and excerpts from the video she is producing with a cooperative of Maasai women in Kenya. This fall, Professor Pellett is completing the filming and editing of the project on the site of the Maasai Mara.

Pellett is well known at CNU for providing travel and research opportunities for students, particularly in Mexico and Guatemala. She holds degrees in Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work from Hampton, Norfolk State and Old Dominion Universities and the College of William and Mary.

During her three decades of teaching at CNU, Professor Pellett has conducted research funded by the Fulbright-Hayes Foundation, the Virginia State Council for Higher Education, the Palestinian-American Commission, and Live Aid. Results of her work have been published in books and journals in the United States as well as in Peru, Mexico and Austria.

—CNU News Release

SGA Corner

"Destiny's Child," room scheduling, and posting policies were at the forefront of last week's Student Government Association meeting.

Vice President of University Relations, Jamila Benthall took time out to present a forum of facts regarding the possibility of getting "Destiny's Child" to play at CNU's homecoming. The most the SGA planned on spending to get the entertainers is a rough estimate of around \$50,000. Many Senators expressed concerns about the expectations of ticket-sales and questioned whether or not all the homecoming tickets would be sold. Benthall replied that even if ticket sales do not reach the goals the e-board has set, the SGA still plans on staying within the same budget set earlier in the year. If "Destiny's Child" is a no-go, alternative-pop band "Vertical Horizon" will perform.

Many Senators also voiced their concerns about room scheduling within the Student Center. In the event of a special occasion there has been difficulty scheduling rooms in which to host the functions. Vice President of Student Services Michael Koontz looked into the matter and discovered that the room scheduling is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

SGA President Jonathan Janis wrapped up the discussions with a statement on the posting policy. Any posters found posted on windows and other transparent properties will be taken down immediately, the organization will be warned and subsequently fined. Three warnings and the liberty of posting up SGA approved signs and posters will be taken away revoked for the offending organization.

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CAMPUS LIFE

Entrancing entertainment

Hypnotist to captivate students

Chicago hypnotist Al James will mesmerize CNU students in on Nov. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Ferguson auditorium.

"I'm really excited about bringing in an outside performer of his caliber and reputation," said CAB executive chair John Scott.

According to an interview with Wayne State University's student newspaper, "James defines hypnotism as a concentration of attention which allows abilities and aptitudes to be amplified and focused."



James began studying speech in college to become a broadcaster until he discovered his hypnotic powers. He became interested in hypnosis after having mastered

his childhood fascination with magic performances and has practiced hypnosis for about 10 years.

"I've heard nothing but good things about this guy," said Scott.

Hypnotists have always been popular with CNU students, and this year they should prepare themselves for a mind altering night of hypnotic audience participation.

—CNU News Brief

Thoreau production entertains large audiences



Photos by Tom Stormer/The Captain's Log



"The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail," the theatre department's first production of the season, filled the seats of Gaines Theatre in four performances between Thursday and Sunday Oct. 26-29.

Below left: Henry Thoreau, portrayed by Fred Arsenault, gives a runaway slave his new name - "Williams" - portrayed by Kenneth McKether, II. In a later scene, it was reported that Williams had been murdered by a Boston policeman.

Left: Thoreau attempts to explain transcendentalism to Ellen, portrayed by Amanda Gagnon.

Student views of the play

"I felt threatened like real guns were aimed at me. It [special effects] was very realistic and well designed

—Emily Emmons

"I was particularly impressed by the show of emotions, and particularly when Thoreau's brother died."

—James Riley

"They did very well in displaying the passion of transcendentalism, and then contrasting Thoreau and Emerson."

—Jennifer Bragg

Spotlighting CNU's new faculty members

Dr. Denice Smith, Assistant Professor, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science

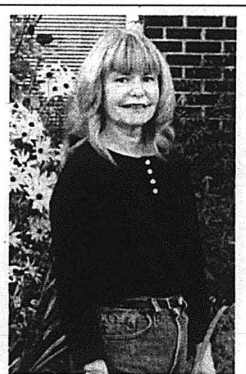
By Cami Wood
Staff Writer

"One of the reasons I came here is because I was very attracted to the Environmental Science programs for both undergraduates and graduates," said Dr. Denice Smith of the Biology department. "And when I got here I was just amazed by the camaraderie of the faculty and how much the really involve the undergraduate and graduate students in what's going on. Everybody feels like they're family... I think they have something that is very difficult to find someplace else."

Coming to CNU from the College of Charleston where she taught for nine years, Dr. Denice Smith is the newest member of CNU's Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Science department. Smith earned both her B.S. and M.S. from the University of Arizona at Tucson and her Ph.D. from Dartmouth.

She is currently teaching Cell Biology and Biochemistry. "I also hope to start a course that would show how Biotechnology can be used for environmental monitoring," she said.

Specializing in cell and developmental biology, Smith did some postdoctoral work in Switzerland. "I ended up going to a lab where, at that time, they made just a



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The Captain's Log

huge discovery," she said. "They were finding, identifying some of the genes that are real important in development in both fruit flies and also vertebrates like humans. What these genes do is control development

tal patterning and make sure that the head is in the right place and the arms are in the right places and so on. And I've continued with that - I'm interested in the way that cells communicate with one another and regulate pattern and the ways that environmental chemicals impact that."

Smith also has ample experience working with undergraduates and helping them to get involved with research and "...showing them that research is fascinating." While at College of Charleston she was very involved with undergraduate research and helped start an undergraduate research program for the summer. "

And my experiences working in big labs where some major discoveries have been made," she said, "I think it's important for students to have access to people who have been out in the world doing research and so I'm bringing the personal experiences [to CNU students] to give them training."

Apparently pleased with coming to CNU, Smith is excited about the atmosphere on campus. She is, however, concerned about the fate of the graduate programs.

"They have found a way to integrate the undergrad and the graduate and provide research opportunities for undergraduate students," she said. "Even at larger institu-

tions it's rare to find the kind of opportunities that they have here. So, I would hate to see it go - it's one of the reasons I wanted to come, you know, I think it's a real positive thing. ...I mean, I've never seen anything like this where the undergrads are working to save the graduate program. ...I really wanted to emphasize that the faculty in this department is really committed to undergraduate research and providing opportunities for undergraduate research that you wouldn't find elsewhere at equivalent institutions."

Here at CNU, Smith hopes to become the best professor she can and "...get the students to find the excitement in cell and biochemistry."

She is also hoping to continue with her research and is excited about the possibility for interactions not just with CNU faculty but also with the faculty of other institutions like VIMS and William & Mary. She is also interested in expanding the possibilities for undergraduate research.

"I definitely want to be a part of undergrad research and if the grad program is continued I want to be involved in that as well."

Outside of work, Smith likes to be just that: outside. "I haven't had much time yet here," she said. "But I like ballet. I like gardening, skiing, and hiking."

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cisions. As a group, the faculty voted almost unanimously to support leaving the programs as they are, as well as lifting the moratorium in place that is keeping them from admitting students. "The concern is the programs not having enough numbers, but the moratorium is hurting them," Caton said.

A key goal of the meeting was to make administration aware that there should be dialogue in situations like this between them, the faculty and the students.

They need to do their homework and consult constituents before making a decision like this," Caton said. "That could be talking to people or collecting data."

Caton said he was somewhat surprised by the nearly unanimous vote the faculty took. He compared the meeting to an early experience with faculty when he was a student at City College in New York.

"I remember the Vietnam era at City College, and the faculty had a meeting on the open admissions policy. I was still a student, and there was such a wide range of opinions - everyone was all over the map," Caton said. "There are always a lot of differences in faculty opinions, so it is a once in a lifetime experience that around 140 would agree on an issue. That is rare."

The level of support coming from the faculty pleased professor of computer science and Faculty Senate President Dr. An-

tonio Siochi. "I am glad that the faculty had the chance to get together on the issue," Siochi said.

Caton too is extremely pleased with the amount of support the programs have received from faculty, students and the community. "I didn't know what response we would get but I see we are not alone," he said.

Nonetheless, he says they are not done fighting.

Caton says he does not understand why the programs cannot fit into what he sees as President Paul Tribble's vision for the school.

"It seems the President wants this to be a liberal arts college, but for some reason," Caton said before a brief pause, "I can't understand why the programs do not fit into that vision."

Caton added that the programs should fit into the vision of a top-quality liberal arts college, but for some reason, they do not. He said the programs could only help the university. "We should be working together, not fighting," he said.

Despite the growing support, Caton said he has seen no indication that the administration is changing its stance.

"That is discouraging," Caton said. "The response has not made us stop, we have to keep fighting. We can't relax. The more support we get the better, but we can't stop there."

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to maintain "...dialogue on the mission, vision, and process of decision-making at our University."

With only one faculty member abstaining from the vote, the second motion was voted into effect by the remainder of the attendees. The meeting allowed the instructional faculty to unite and take a formal stance on the potential decision to discontinue the graduate programs.

"For faculty of the university to speak in such unanimity was something I have never seen before with any issue," said Dr. Kara Keeling, professor of English. "And quite literally, everyone [of the full-time faculty] was there."

Keeling has taught at CNU for seven years and has been a faculty senator for two years. "For there to be no 'nay' votes was an incredible statement for support of these programs," she said.

Mike Bland, President of the Association of Computing Machinery, has been the designated student leader in the fight to save the two programs. "It heartens us [the students] that the faculty has showed us their complete support," he said.

Dialogue highlights Speak Out

By Virginia Miller
Staff Writer

According to Coordinator of Student Programs and creator of the "Speak Out" series, Alex Butterfield, the second meeting in the series was a success.

Butterfield selected a diverse group of administrators, faculty and students to participate in a closed dialogue concerning the racial climate on campus. Dean of Students Maury O'Connell, Sociology professor Dr. Virginia Purcell, and students Renatta Warren, Laura Espiet, Brad Hunter and Cami Wood were seated in a circle in front of spectators to talk with one another about racial and ethnic issues.

The Oct. 30 "Speak Out" began with each member introducing themselves and expressing their hopes and expectations of the "Speak Out."

Butterfield then asked blanket questions about personal experiences with racism, racial heritage and discrimination. The members of the dialogue then answered the questions and talked amongst themselves about issues that concerned them.

The main concern that was brought to the forefront of conversation was the lack of diversity among the faculty, the lack of African-American professors in particular. Dr. Purcell explained the difficulties of recruiting professors and the need to actively recruit African-American professors for CNU.

The meeting, which lasted for a little over an hour, ended with audience members voicing their questions and concerns. The general sentiment was one of a successful forum. "It is important to have such forums," said Dean O'Connell, "to learn from individual experiences."

Perspectives

Are resident students favored over commuters?

By Seth Klein
Staff Writer

With the opening of James River Hall this semester, more students are living on campus than ever before. Since Santoro Hall was completed in 1994 the administration has actively sought students to live on campus.

Originally a commuter school attended by local students, Christopher Newport is being transformed into a university catering not only to students from southeastern Virginia but also to students coming from out of the area.

A random survey of commuter students was taken on Oct. 27 to find out if they felt that resident students are favored over commuter students on campus.

"It doesn't really bother me because I don't really do much with the school."

—Courtney Petty, freshman

"The school's main focus seems to be on bringing students into the school from further away and filling up the dorms. The school has grown too big for its britches."

—Patrick McCormick, junior

"There are a lack of parking spots for commuter students. Parking should be free like in the past. Resident students are guaranteed spots that commuter students are not. We pay the same amount of money, yet don't have the same privileges."

—Tanya Taylor, sophomore

"I haven't noticed any changes in how students are treated. With the addition of the new dorm, it seems CNU is trying to bring the resident students together with commuter students, which would create more of a traditional college atmosphere."

—Rob Robinson, senior

"I don't think so. Everybody gets treated the same as everyone for parking, although they do pay more to live on campus, but otherwise it's all the same."

—Mike Holland, senior

"I don't really think there is much difference in how students are treated. There are so many commuters. In a general sense, we're all just like equal. I have never seen any favoritism of a resident over a commuter."

—Lisa Garner, junior

"I think a student who commutes is given more importance because they have to travel more. I was a resident student last year. The only difference I see is that campus activities are geared more towards resident students."

—Judy Morgan, sophomore

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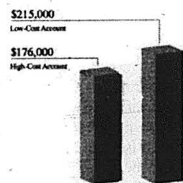
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Blair Witch back to haunt many in Book of Shadows

Mind game continues in film

By Tom Geary and Brian Groh
Staff Writer and Contributing Writer

After the prosperity of the 1999 cult hit "The Blair Witch Project," Hollywood executives decided to do the obvious and create a sequel.

Unlike its predecessor, "Books of Shadows (Blair Witch Project 2)" was not created with less than \$50,000, but still should be able to develop a following of believers.

Book of Shadows, directed by Joe Berlinger, was developed with less eye-boggling camera movements than the original, but more special effects.

Anyone who has seen the trailers should know by now that this is not the same dull, graphic-less movie.

One common feature in "The Blair Witch Project" movies is psychological warfare. The mind games continue in this suspenseful thriller, but moviegoers can expect more gore and less whiny screams (as well as crying girls with dripping noses).

They can, however, expect to see some typical elements of horror films like ghosts, unexplained phenomena, and an authority who disbelieves the superstitions.

Another feature that moviegoers should expect is a touch of humor to ease the minds of the audience before the real action begins.

"Book of Shadows" begins with a series of news shots that explain the wonders of the 1999 smash hit, "The Blair Witch Project." To dismiss all thoughts that the first movie was true, residents of Burkitsville attack the idea of the film being created with a documentary tag.

Like the first film of the series, all of the main actors and actresses take on their roles with their real-life names. Local tour-guide/misfit Jeffrey Donovan leads a group of four followers into the woods of Burkitsville. Tristen Skyler plays a pregnant researcher who believes in the myth of the Blair Witch. Stephen Barker Turner plays Skylar's dominating husband who lacks his wife's curiosity about the myth. Erica Leerhsen plays a friendly, yet eccentric Wiccan who hopes that the Blair Witch,

Elle, will become her mentor. Kim Director rounds out the crew as the psychic, Gothic chick that "thought that the first movie was cool."

Donovan leads the crew into the woods for a night, but also for a price. After a huge party that included all sorts of drugs and alcohol, each member suffers a blackout and wakes up to find the campsite destroyed.

Donovan gets hysterical when he finds his camera equipment destroyed and Stephen goes ballistic as he realizes his research has been tampered with. Tristen's vivid dreams describe possible answers as to what may have happened.

Later, the crew reluctantly finds the footage of their unaccounted-for five hours. So, they go back to Donovan's place, an abandoned warehouse reminiscent of the Civil War era, to review the footage.

What happens next shocks not only the crew but viewers of the movie as well.

Soon after, the psychological war begins and only the Blair Witch knows what will come about.

OVERALL RATINGS (based on a six star system):

6=Classic; "Being John Malkovich" material

5=Excellent; much like "Remember the Titans" or "Any Given Sunday"

4=Good; ever seen "Cruel Intentions?"

3=Worthwhile; best described as "Dumb & Dumber" style films

2=Not So Good; any Arnold Schwarzenegger movie

1=Poor; the Pokemon movies and/or Pauly Shore flicks

Tom—You know the movie is good when the girls outnumber the guys. But what was really scary was the part when I walked out into the parking lot and saw that one guy with the "Survivor" T-shirt on. RATING: 4.80

Brian—What do two guys, three girls and evil spirits equal? A typical horror film of the 1990's. I give it more credit than the first because I did not get sick watching the camera move.

RATING: ****



Cast members from Blair Witch II: Book of Shadows look upon a grave.

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Hampton Roads concert calendar

- 11/07/00 The String Cheese Incident/Keller Williams, The NorVA; Norfolk, VA
- 11/08/00 Fastball/evan and jaron/Virginia Coalition, The Boat-house; Norfolk, VA
- 11/10/00 One King Down/Rights of Humanity/Shutdown, Taj Mahal; Norfolk, VA
- 11/11/00 P.O.D./hed) Planet Earth/Project 86, The Boathouse; Norfolk, VA
- 11/11/00 Jazz Mandolin Project/Charlie Hunter, The NorVA; Norfolk, VA
- 11/13/00 Pantera/Kittie/Black Label Society/Morbid Angel, Hampton Coliseum; Hampton, VA
- 11/14/00 Unified Theory, Old Dominion University; Norfolk, VA
- 11/15/00 Billy Joe Royal/B.J. Thomas, Hampton Coliseum; Hampton, VA
- 11/16/00 Clutch/Corrosion of Conformity/Karma to Burn/60 Watt Shaman, The Boathouse; Norfolk, VA
- 11/16/00 "Sisters in the Spirit Tour" featuring Yolanda Adams/ Mary Mary/Shirley Ceaser, Hampton Coliseum; Hampton VA
- 11/17/00 Bile, Taj Mahal; Norfolk, VA
- 11/18/00 E-Town Concrete, Taj Mahal; Norfolk, VA
- 11/18/00 Indigenous w/Joe Bonamassa, The NorVA; Norfolk, VA
- 11/20/00 Pro-Pain, Taj Mahal; Norfolk, VA
- 11/21/00 Virginia Coalition, Mitty's; Newport News, VA
- 11/26/00 "The Jingle Ballers Jam" featuring Lil' Kim, Cash Money, Hot Boyz, Junior M.A.F.I.A., Juvenile, Kandi, Lil' Cease, Lil' Wayne, Trick Daddy and Trina, Hampton Coliseum; Hampton, VA
- 12/01/00 Keller Williams, Jewish Mother; Portsmouth, VA
- 12/02/00 Next w/Musiq, Kelly Prince, and Donnell Jones, Hampton Univ. Convocation Center; Hampton, VA
- 12/08/00 Carman w/ZOEgirl, Hampton Coliseum; Hampton, VA
- 12/08/00 Boiler w/Jam Pain Session, The NorVA; Norfolk, VA
- 12/09/00 "The Bluegrass Sessions" feat. Bela Fleck, Bryan Sutton, Jerry Douglas, Mark Schatz, Sam Bush, and Stuart Duncan, The NorVA; Norfolk, VA
- 12/19/00 Virginia Coalition, Mitty's; Newport News, VA
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Boulevard Restaurant and Tavern provides a real treat

By Patricia Mooza
Layout and Design Editor

Boulevard Restaurant and Tavern is a restaurant quite uncommon for Newport News and we're lucky to have it. Adjacent to its sister restaurant, Port Arthur, the pair give an exciting visage to Newport News' main road. The architecture of the newly remodeled Boulevard addition to Port Arthur's, is a modern, contemporary building with the elegance of oriental lines that hint of a Zen atmosphere. And, there is even a newer addition to the restaurant, which is a seasonal outdoor dining deck that can be (and usually is) rented out for parties and events.

On first approach to the restaurant you are literally forced into a different mind set. You enter the restaurant through a courtyard over an arched footbridge that spans a koi fishpond. The landscaping cleverly guides you farther along toward the entrance of the restaurant. Already I was impressed and had more adventure just getting to the restaurant door than at any other establishment in Newport News.

Once you've passed over the pond and

realize you're standing at the front door, you encounter a lovely semicircle of doors that you may pass either left or right into Boulevard. The buffered foyer is simple, elegant and hushed with hand painted topiaries decorating the walls. Again, you're forced to relax just a little bit more. I was aware that I could leave the rest of the world outside, beyond the courtyard and pond and simply enjoy the Zen-like atmosphere of the restaurant.

Upon entering Boulevard the hostess promptly greets you and directs you to seating in either the raised platform dining room that has its own smaller version of the koi pond with waterfall sounds tickling the atmosphere or to perimeter room seating. Another choice is the dining area located in the sun-room where you can enjoy the evening twilight or stars that filter in between and behind the landscape you passed on the way into restaurant. Cozy bench seating or tables for four are nestled in private arrangements. Tables can be pushed together for large parties or pulled apart for private tête-à-tête dining.

The decor of relaxing cream, nutmeg, chocolate and pumpkin colors lulls the

senses into gentle submission and the soft, ambient lighting and beautiful jazzy music envelops your being and assails your senses. The room itself forces you to relax. After being seated, your server will tantalize you with a list of the day's specials and fills your water glass, leaving behind the entrée menu and a wine menu that's not overwhelming. Again, stress free.

Boulevard's appetizer menu is interesting as well. Grilled Pesto Focaccia Bread for \$4.95, Thai Shrimp for \$5.95, Calamari for \$5.95 and Hot Wings for \$4.25 are among the selections. Salads are generous and the soups vary daily and range in price from \$1.95 for a cup of soup to \$6.95 for salad with shrimp.

The chef's specials usually include seafood or beef entrees that are market priced. Even more interesting, however, are the daily entrée selections that are named after Newport News neighborhoods. Hiddenwood Pasta with chicken or shrimp for \$7.25, Menchville Lamb seared with a demi-glace sauce for \$7.95 and Boulevard Steak grilled with mushroom bordelaise sauce for \$7.50 are among the choices.

For lighter selections, you can choose

from the sandwich menu. The Hilton, chicken salad on Kaiser roll for \$5.95, the J. Clyde Club also for \$5.95 or the Captain Pita \$5.95, a veggie sandwich to which you can add chicken for an extra \$1 or shrimp for an extra \$2. The dessert menu offers the finishing touch to a splendid meal. Many of the desserts are made at Boulevard so be sure to ask which they are and I recommend that you order one of those.

What I hadn't noticed on the way into Boulevard is that there was a bar area, opposite the dining rooms, with a television and ample bar or table seating for your Monday-night-football-watching-pleasure. I was so well cushioned from the atmosphere in the dining room that I literally stumbled into it while exploring the rest of the restaurant. The privacy of the bar offers dining guests a quiet experience while simultaneously allowing the more upbeat bar atmosphere for its bar guests.

Boulevard is located at the intersection of Warwick Boulevard and Harpersville Road, one mile south of campus. Reservations are not required but are recommended for parties of six or more. Call Boulevard at 599-6003 for more information.

Election 2000: God, mother, and country?

American political interest wanes behind a drab two party system and a lack of war

By JD Walter
Contributing Writer

On the eve of Election 2000 the buzzword is complacency. The hot topic it would seem, voter apathy.

We have all heard, with amazement I'm sure, of the 26-or-so percent of eligible voters that returned dear Mr. Clinton into office four years ago. And of the mere 36 percent of eligible voters that turned out for the 1998 national congressional elections. But are these trends worthy of our collective amazement? Furthermore, is this so-called complacency truly the single greatest threat to democracy as some administration officials suggest?

Before getting into the meat of the matter, so to speak, why Americans are losing interest in politics and the decline of the democratic system, we should first determine whom we are talking about. The terms Americans and Voters are not synonymous. Current federal estimates put the national population at about 270 million. Of that, about 200 million are eligible to vote. Of the eligible voters, about 147 million are actually registered to vote. And it is likely, given voter trends over the last 30 years, that only about 100 million will actually cast a ballot.

Okay, so let's crunch the numbers and see some percentages. In the 1996 presidential election, of the 196 million eligible voters, about 74 percent were registered and only 50 percent of those eligible actually turned out at the polls on judgment day.

Stay with me, only a couple more boring numbers paragraphs.

Over the last three decades of elections during a presidential year, a steady 70 percent of eligible Americans were registered to vote, and a consistent 54 percent made their way to the voting booths.

Alarmed yet?

Indeed, the numbers looked troubling in 1998 with the same 70 percent registered, a slight 36 percent punched the ballot. But as it was not a presidential year, it seems logical, to me at least, that not as many

people would participate. I think it is safe to say that while the president does seem rather distant from the lives of the American people, he at least talks to us. Congressmen however, rarely un-sequester themselves from their Washington proxy long enough to acknowledge their constituents 'back home.'

So, as the keeper of this thesis, I find that little tid-bit of misinformation irrelevant. Strike it from the books!

Let us now consider once again 1996, when an improving 74 percent of eligible voters were actually registered, but a declining 50 percent of those eligible did the deed. Are these numbers worthy of national concern? Maybe, when you consider that that mere 5 percent equals about 9 million votes, or roughly the population of Detroit. That may indeed be enough to sway the outcome.

So what have we learned so far? That, on average, 30 percent of the population of eligible voters don't even bother to register, and another 20 percent register, but don't bother to vote.

This equals, as I'm sure you've guessed by now, that just over half of the eligible voters in this country don't vote. Why? I don't know.

But I am one of them, just so you know.

So what is it that keeps us, the complacent half, at wits end of the involved half? Could it be that we are tired? Tired of looking at the same old menu of soups when we are really hungry for the meat of the matter? Well, there is the lesser of two evils theory. And as the two predominant parties of Republicans and Democrats begin to fuse ideologically it becomes harder and harder to tell the candidates apart.

As a side note, a friend of mine whom we'll call Jay, 'cause that's what his name is, has aptly dubbed the Bush - Gore duo 'Bore.' Fitting, don't you think?

Let me summarize the debates:

Gore: MY fire engine is bigger than my opponent's is.

Bush: But MY fire engine is louder.

Gore: But MY fire engine stops for

little old ladies and children, while my opponent's only stops for the richest 1 percent.

Bush: At least I have gas to put in MY fire engine.

Anyway, the re-advent of interest in third party politics seems to compensate for the lack of choices. While Buchanan is no stranger to the political arena, Nader, Brown and Hagelin bring fresh, if sometimes unconventional, approaches to streamlining the government. The idea that a Republican congress is held in check by a Democratic president (or vice versa) seems to be in direct opposition with the purported goal of government: working for the good of the people. Whose good? All of us? Or just the 50-or-so percent that vote? Of course, this begs the question: should I consider my fellow Americans when I am casting my vote, or is this just for me?

Going hand in hand with choices however, is the debate over the media's role in presenting the facts in a timely and efficient manner thus allowing the constituency to make intelligent decisions. But, are they providing enough information on all the candidates, or are they playing favorites? Realistically though, and in strong defense of the media, there are probably a couple hundred individuals running for the presidency this year and there is no way to fully cover them all.

But just how many of these lofty idealists are actually legitimate contenders? This leads us to wondering how we would determine the viability of said candidates. Now we need to institute some sort of regulation for running for the presidency. Something like an unbiased Commission on Presidential Debates, maybe. The problem with regulation is that you need regulation to regulate the regulators and regulatees. Sounds like more government to me.

Are we defeating the purpose yet?

An article earlier this year in a Springfield, Mass. newspaper cited five key factors that contribute to increasing voter complacency: a weakening of the traditional parties, a blurring of ideological differences

between the parties, less competition among the candidates, a sense of the inevitable triumph of big money and, finally, more demands on the time of the voter.

The first four keys are very evident and play into the rise of interest in third party candidates. The vastness of party platforms, coupled with the veritable onslaught of special interest and grass-roots lobbyists are leaving the majority of people alienated.

Where once a working class family man who held traditional values and subscribed to the idea of a strong military was clearly a Democrat, he is now left to weigh the prospect of forced family values and social morality with an increased burden of socialized health care and welfare systems that won't change his lot in life one iota. Those once distinct lines in the sand of politics have now been washed asunder by the waves of the new globalized millennium.

Here complacency, if that is what it really is, is born from the hullabaloo that is raised every couple of years come election time. The candidates, with the aid of the media, attempt to whip the masses into a frenzy in hopes of inciting some 'revolution' of the electorate, only to leave the masses virtually unaffected throughout the next term.

Let's face the facts: Americans are not interested in politics that don't have an immediate and direct impact on their lives and livelihoods. We are a nation of rugged individualism. What is so wrong with that?

It is this individualism, coupled with the increased demands on the time of voters that is creating the greatest disinterest among the people.

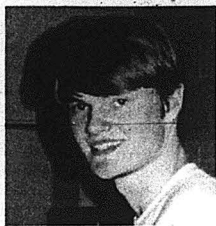
Folks, we are coming off a very prosperous decade and well, life ain't all that bad here in the good ol' US of A. With this increased prosperity comes an ability to go more places and see and do more things. That means time for paying attention to something that 'doesn't effect my life' declines.

This prosperity is aided in its under-

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In my -not- so humble opinion

By Cash Arehart
A & E Editor



Some people believe that my column keeps getting shorter as the semester goes on. This can be attributed to many different factors.

One being that I am simply running out of ideas. I like this theory least of all since it would imply that I am not as much of a pompous and opinionated jerk as some would like to believe.

Another possibility would be that I am weeding down along with the rest of the student body as we try to stagger forth towards the end of the semester. Then again, I think that anyone who believes that my column is getting shorter is just nuts.

Those three paragraphs were supposed to be published alone last week, unfortunately those three paragraphs alone didn't make it through the rigorous screening that this paper runs weekly before making it to your hands. That's okay though.

After all this is "the people's paper!" Just like the Clog office is "the people's office." Not to be confused with the SGA office, which I would have assumed was "the people's office."

I always like how I am able to go to the SGA office almost anytime I'm on the second floor of the student center. The door is almost always open and there is always someone in there with a smile. It's great that there are offices on campus that maintain open door policies.

I remember a speech during orientation or an open house where I was told about another open door on the campus. In that same speech there was also something about a creek not rising and something about "by God, I did!"

When I tried out this particular open door though I found that it wasn't nearly as accessible as it was toted to be however.

When I personally attempted to make an appointment with this office I saw more run-around than Mario Andretti and was eventually completely forgotten. Needless to say I never got to meet with the man who so proudly proclaimed his open door policy while grinning like a swamp-breathed opossum.

My story is not a unique one among the students of this school either. Lately I have heard of others who have not been able to schedule appointments or were practically ignored when trying to get into to one particular resident of the tower of power.

I make it no secret that I feel that "Students First" is an overused cliché, this is yet another example of the big talk and flashy promises reminiscent of a snake oil salesman of the old west which frequently occurs on our campus.

Fortunately this behavior is not common policy for all the administrators at CNU. Often Steve Pappas, Director of Auxiliary Services, will almost always talk with a student, not to them, if they have a concern or question. He is frequently available in his office and is rightfully deserving of being accredited with keeping an open door policy. Another employee of the school who is constantly available to students is Alex Butterfield, Coordinator of Student Programs.

If only more of our universities administrators were as genuinely accessible to all students as Pappas and Butterfield are, instead of just a select and special few members of certain organizations, then maybe we'd really have an environment where students come first.

And remember, "In my -not- so humble opinion" is always smooth, never bitter, and gets you laid.

And Ramona says...

By Ramona Hernandez
Staff Writer



Halloween is a very special time for children. It is the one day of the year where you can be who ever you want to be and eat all the sugary stuff your dentist tells you not too. In your costume, you feel invincible ready to take on the ghost and goblins that are waiting in the night.

Many children think of what they want to be as early as August to make sure that they can become favorite superhero or fairy tale princesses.

At all of the mass merchandise stores there are rows and rows filled with candy and decorations. Around the area, many community groups put together haunted houses to raise money and support.

On the day of Halloween the kids sit in school hoping time will go quickly because they cannot wait to fill their buckets with as many treats as possible.

There was usually a class party where each child would bring a special treat from home to share. The night finally arrives and they carefully put on their costumes and makeup. Loading up on bags to hold all the loot they set out to find the one house that is giving out full size candy bars.

But, did you ever in your quest to find the one house that gave out full size candy bars think about the kid in your class who parents could not afford to buy the latest costume? I know that I didn't, but this Halloween they entered my mind.

I volunteered to pass out candy to the children trick-or-treating in the mall. It may surprise some of you that this would be popular, but many children in this area don't live in safe neighborhoods.

Many live in low-income housing surrounded by drug dealers, prostitutes, and violence. It is simply not safe to go out. Therefore, the local malls created trick-or-treating inside where all the shops have their employees dress up and pass out treats.

I discovered just how popular it is for parents to take their children to the safety of a well-lit mall for Halloween festivities.

But I also discovered many children not in costumes. Some parents simply cannot afford to put their children in the most popular.

Many kids were in homemade costumes that were so cute it was unbelievable, but the majority of children simply came around in their school clothes.

These children did not say trick-or-treat and looked incredibly uncomfortable when a Pokemon character or a Disney princess arrived at my store at the same time they did. It was sad.

I know in the large scheme of things a Halloween costume is not as important as food, warm clothing, and an education but to a little kid it is. How would you have felt that night not being able to be who ever you wanted to be?

I mention this because we are entering the Season of Giving and many of you will drop your loose change in red buckets or work with your church groups feeding homeless people a holiday meal.

This is the best time of year for humanity because somehow the majority of us overlooks our personal needs and gives to someone who just wants a warm meal and some clean clothes.

Giving during the holidays is wonderful, but there are many other chances during the year to give small amounts that add up to a big difference.


There are organizations on campus that you can join which promote service in the community. And many future employers notice community service on a resume.

The money collected over the holiday season goes to year round projects including things like after school programs.


These organizations help create places which could put together Halloween parties where the kids can get together and make their costumes or go to a neighborhood where they can go trick-or-treating at people's homes rather than a store in the mall. If nothing else it just feels good to reach beyond your needs and focus on something more important.

So this year, when you pass the people braving the cold to ring the little bell, try to put just a little in each time you pass.

If each of us on this campus did that then it would really add up to something important and make a huge difference.



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friends don't let friends drive drunk



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mining of social responsibility by America's relative stability, or at least its perceived stability.

There is no war to keep 'We the People' glued to that television set, and the fall of the Berlin Wall, the collapse of the Soviet Union and the subsequent demise of the Cold War all contribute heavily to feelings of safety.

It is this warm, fuzzy feeling that influences the waning interest of the masses, or at least half the masses.

And so we conclude from this little rant, that 1) it isn't all the media's fault, for while they are responsible for putting out

the information, the people must take it upon themselves to ingest it; 2) that at least half of Americans want to enjoy their life without being subjected to the constant strain of bad politics (if there is even such a thing as good politics); and 3) that maybe the resulting condition is not apathy or even complacency, but some new strain of political ambivalence. What the French might call ennui.

The bottom line is that nothing is so cut and dry as we might make it out to be. What we have is a government that works, albeit one that produces disdain and complacency among the very constituents it serves.

Popular sentiment (and this is the

most popular of popular sentiments) continues to hold that the land of Mom, baseball and apple pie has always been and will always be, regardless of whatever buffoonery occupies the oval office hot seat, the single greatest country in the world. And if you don't like it here, you ain't gonna like it anywhere.

And so to my ambiverse compatriots, good hunting. And to you who blame us, the nonvoters, for the ills of the nation, take comfort in knowing that should George Lincoln Rockwell ever vie for the presidency, we will join you at the polls. But until then, we trust you to make the right decisions. And if you don't, you won't hear us complaining.

CNU Seminar in France

Two Weeks In Provence

I. Course Description

MLAN 395/FREN 395: Provence from Caesar to Cezanne. This two-week seminar will explore various aspects of the culture and history of Provence, one of the most fascinating regions of France. Key periods of Provençal influence on the art and literature of the 19th century. Classroom lecture will be supplemented by several excursions to significant cultural sites around Provence, including the Roman ruins of Orange and Nîmes, the medieval city of Aigues-Mortes, the mountain stronghold of Les Baux, the Palace of the Popes in Avignon, the Abbey of Montmajour, the windmill immortalized by the author Daudet, and the workshop and landscapes of Cezanne. Other activities will highlight traditional elements of the culture of Provence, such as wines, fabrics, and crafts. Evaluation for those participants taking the course for credit will be based on a combination of tests, research papers, and special projects. Credit in French is available.

II. Basic Features

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*Anyone desiring a single room would pay a supplement of \$475

The cost of the trip does not include:

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Textbooks and other course materials

Payment: Payable in three installments:

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Checks should be made out to CNUF. It is also possible to pay by major credit card.

Eligibility: There are no special requirements for participating in the CNU Seminar in Provence and no knowledge of French is necessary. However, the number of participants is limited to 30, with preference given to regularly-enrolled CNU students. Slots for other participants will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Faculty: Prof. Susan St. Onge, Prof. of French, has taught at CNU for over thirty years and has escorted numerous groups to a wide variety of sites around France. She has been involved in the creation of several French textbooks for use at the university level, including a two-volume series on French culture. For Prof. St. Onge this trip to Provence is a "homecoming," as she lived in Aix-en-Provence at the start of her academic career.

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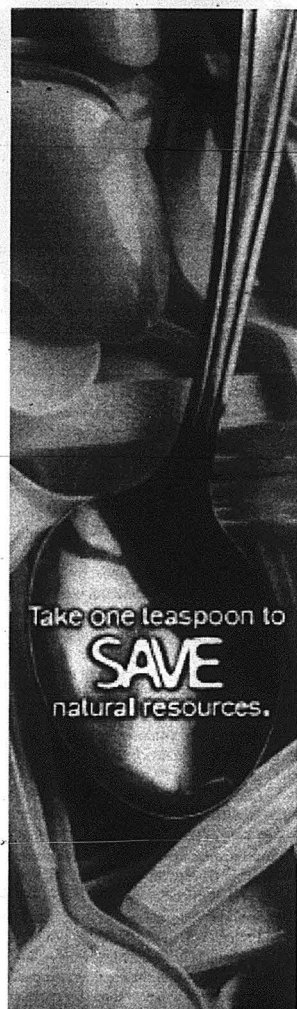
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SPORTS

Football conditioning



By Mike Mullin
Sports Editor

During my high school football career, and I call it a career because I was fired, I always thought of my coach as a bit of a sadist. Only in retrospect did I realize that he had any clue about what he was doing. I never thought that I would say it but he made our team a good group of football players. I just was not noticing that when he was making me run laps until I puked.

For some odd nostalgic reason, I recently decided that I would attend one of the football conditionings. It happened to be the first ever football conditioning in the new Freeman Center.

Football conditioning is an odd animal. It is a much more aggressive form of conditioning than most other sports. The goal always seems to be to bring each man to the breaking point, but never push him over that edge.

One reason that football conditioning is so tiring is because of when it is held. Each potential player here at CNU is out there every morning at 6:30. They are out there before breakfast, coffee, and for many, before bathing.

But let it not be said that the time used every morning is wasted. Wind sprints, suicides and push-ups are the stuff of these morning practices.

"Coach K [Matt Kelchner] is great. I mean, he's gonna put us in shape," said Junior Rusty Goodsell.

The conditioning is starting light, a part of gradual planning on Coach Kelchner's part to build a strong foundation. "What we want to do is build a foundation," said Kelchner. "We started that on the track. We were working 'em. What we have to do is tailor our workout to every individual."

The truly difficult workouts are still to come though. The first real practices do not begin until Aug. 8, when the true fun begins. That's when hitting drills and game practices begin.

Thank goodness, however, that there is no such trepidation on the parts of the men coming out for CNU's football team. Of the 59 men on the roster, 55 showed up for the voluntary conditioning. Of the four missing, two had a written excuse from a doctor. Moreover, most of the men have been there the entire year and look forward to more.

One example of the type of men that are coming out daily is Junior Jose Pagan. "They're great. Outstanding practices. I'm looking for a great off-season practice. Great things are gonna happen this year," panted Pagan after practice.

Men's Soccer enters the championships

Explosive second half against Averett leads to NCAA tourney

By Tom Geary
Staff Writer

In perhaps their biggest victory of the season, the CNU Men's Soccer team crushed the Averett Cougars 4-0 in Tuesday's Dixie Conference semifinal to advance to the Conference Championship. The victorious Captains utilized all the weapons of their potent offense and stingy defense to continue what has arguably been their best season in school history.

CNU came into the semifinal game with eight straight victories, hoping to jump ahead early. However, both offenses stalled in the first half. The Captains' stiff defense allowed only one shot during the first half, but were unable to capitalize on what few scoring opportunities they had.

Early in the second half, CNU scored, but the goal was disallowed due to an off-sides call.

Sophomore Joshua Shaw delivered the team their first goal 11 minutes into the half with a power shot that went between the hands of the Averett goalkeeper. Oscar Gomez-Romero, the team's leader in goals and assists, and sophomore Ryan Whinery were credited with the assists. After a few failed scoring attempts, freshman Alan Jordan put the Captains up 2-0 on a shot set up by co-captain Shadi Abi-Saab.

Senior Rodney Curtis helped CNU put Averett away for good with a goal 33 minutes into the second half. Jordan then added a fourth CNU goal just over a minute later.

Averett, unable to amount much offense in the second half, could not get the ball downfield for a scoring attempt until late in the game. Their only shot on goal, however, was blocked by goalie Martin Zelada, who picked up his 9th shutout of the season in

the 4-0 victory.

Abi-Saab believes the Captains had Averett beat early in the second half after Shaw's goal. "[It was a] tough first half," he said. "It took a long time to get things

ference Championship, in which the Captains will host the Greensboro Pride. CNU's win also brings them to a season record of 16-1-1, the best team record in school history. Coach Steve Shaw has now brought the team a combined record of 62-26-2 in his five years as head coach of the men's soccer program.

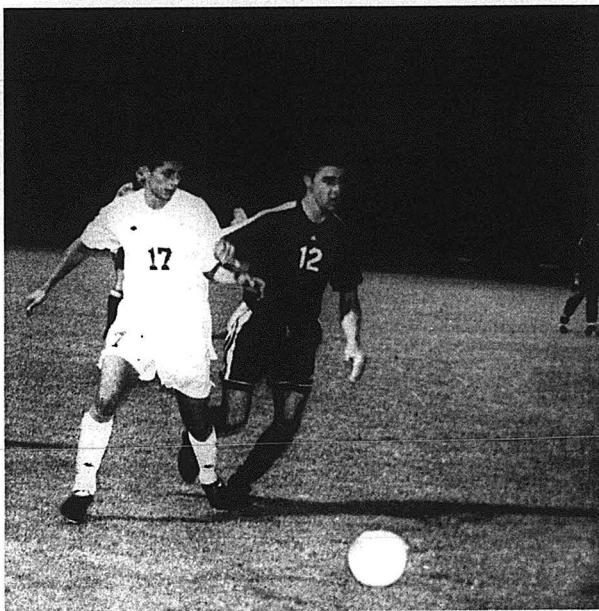
CNU, who has outscored opponents 46-11 and out-shot opponents 348-130, may be prepared for their first Conference Championship in school history. They are already ranked seventh in the Division III coaches' poll and are only one win away from an automatic NCAA tournament bid.

One key statistic that has helped the Captains stay undefeated in the Conference and at home this season is the fact that they've outscored opponents by 2 goals per game, allowing only 0.6 per game. However, Abi-Saab believes neither the offense nor defense was responsible for

the record-breaking season or the 4-0 victory over Averett. "The team won the game," he said.

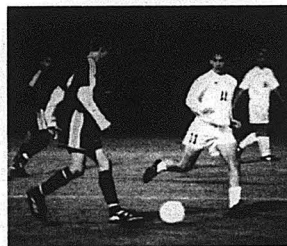
One of the only problems for the team this year has been a strong finish. Jordan, who amassed three points in the Averett game, said, "We played very strong tonight. We put everything together and we finished it up right. We've had a problem with that pretty much throughout the season, but [tonight] we finished strong."

Finishing strong may be the only thing the Captains need if they want to advance into the NCAA tournament and continue their recent successes, but the team desperately urges fan support. "It feels really good [to be hosting the Dixie Conference Championship]," Jordan said. "It's going to be a huge crowd and that will be great for the team because we need a lot more support."



Above: Senior Oscar Gomez-Romero drives forward with an assist on the second goal of CNU's 4-0 win against Averett (above). Sophomore Matt Boettcher regains ball control from an Averett defenseman (below).

Photo by Taryn Cornelius/ The Captain's Log



going but once we got our first goal, we put them away. They had nothing for us (in the second half). We knew that once we got the first one, it would be over."

The victory knocked Averett out of the playoffs and sends CNU to the Dixie Con-

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Villa Julie ends great Women's Soccer season

Mustangs trample Captains 2-1 in the first round of the NCAA tournament

By Justin Thyme
Staff Writer

Villa Julie's Kerri Harman scored the second of her two goals late in the second overtime period to lead the Mustangs to a 2-1 win over the women's soccer team in an NCAA Division III Tournament First Round game Tuesday at Captains field.

"We knew that we weren't going to win the whole championship, because there were some high ranking teams out there," CNU freshman Shelley Rusnak said. "But we thought we could go far."

Harman's goal came after CNU had dominated the first overtime period, firing seven shots at the Villa Julie net, but was unable to score. Less than two minutes into

the second half Harman scored her first goal to break a 0-0 tie.

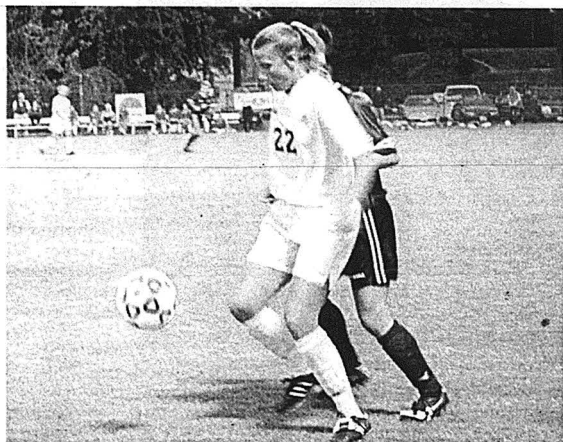
Rusnak converted a pass from Amy Petko to tie the contest with just 14:10 remaining in the game. However, Villa Julie stayed aggressive in overtime, driving towards CNU's goal and fighting for one more shot at winning the game. Harman drove the ball past CNU's goalie 2:12 into the second overtime period.

The Captains outshot Villa Julie, 17-11, but converted just one goal. CNU finished the season with a 12-4-1 record, Villa Julie is 11-7.

"It was a very disappointing loss for us," said Rusnak. "We were dedicated and worked hard throughout the season, getting up at six in the morning for practice."

Sophomore Amy Petko sidesteps the Villa Julie defense on her way to scoring CNU's only goal of the game.

Photo by Tom Stormer/The Captain's Log



Men's and Women's Cross Country teams earn much deserved Dixie honors

CNU Sports Information

DANVILLE, Va. - Every runner that participated for CNU earned either first or second team All-Dixie Conference honors as both the men's and women's teams scored easy victories at the conference cross country championship at Averett Saturday.

The men placed six runners in the top seven and nine in the top 13 and scored 18 points to easily win over Ferrum, which had 54 points.

Then came Averett with 77, Methodist with 108 and Shenandoah with 125. Greensboro did not participate.

CNU's Matt Sinclair was the overall champion with a time of 28:15, while fellow freshman Steve Hinton was second in 28:56.

Also earning first team All-Conference honors were Ralph Denton, Carl Carlsen,

Sean Smith and Mike Jensen, while Chris Chapell, Jason Berry and Aaron Dowalby were on the second team.

The CNU women placed ten runners in the top 14, including five of the top seven. They won with 19 points followed by Ferrum (57).

Methodist (80), Greensboro (105), Averett (129) and Shenandoah (132). Freshman Aimee Gibbs won the individual title with a 19:52 clocking. Danielle Mahoney was second in 20:44.

Also winning first team honors for CNU were Faith Swanson, Lindsay Newell and Crystal Lassiter.

On the second team were Jen Watkins, Alicia Burns, Katie Baker, Kathleen Crouch and Theresa McGuire.

CNU will host the NCAA South/Southeast Regional Championships on Nov. 11 on its home course at Newport News Park.

Editor's Challenge



To play, simply circle the team you think will win and drop this coupon in the Tape-a-Quarter box located in the Student Center Lounge. If you select more winners then Sports Editor, Mike Mullin- it doesn't happen very often- you will be entered into a random drawing for the week. The 1st place winner will receive 2 Subs, 2 Chips, and 2 large drinks from the Subway Station. A runner-up will receive 1 Sub, 1 Chips, and 1 large drink.

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Winners from Week 9

Because of A&E Editor Cash Arehart's inability to pick winners from week nine, there are many who beat his 5-9 record. Shawn Kohlman was the first place winner

with a 12-2 record and Larry Kennel was the runner-up with a 10-4 record. Others that beat Cash were: Greg Chapman, Mike Griffin, Colleen Roberts, Ivette Sabter and Queen Bowden.

Editor's Challenge

Mike's Picks:

Chicago at Buffalo- and the Bears were supposed to win what?
New England at Cleveland- all the Browns' wins are flukes
Cincinnati at Dallas- Troy Aikman = same QB rating as Akili Smith?
Atlanta at Detroit- Batch is the QB of the Lions future, when he isn't hurt
Baltimore at Tennessee- How can Baltimore win w/o scoring TD's?
Arizona at Minnesota- Moss + Carter = the best WR's in the NFL



Philadelphia at Pittsburgh- hoagies or grinders? Hmm
New Orleans at Carolina- The Saints are ready for the playoffs for once
Seattle at Jacksonville- Seattle is worse
Miami at San Diego- And San Diego is even worse!
Kansas City at San Francisco- Elvis Grbac + Tony Gonzalez = wins.
St. Louis at New York Giants- Thunder and Lightning...where?
Green Bay at Tampa Bay- Favre is no longer a hero in the NFL
New York Jets at Indianapolis- Edgerrin James is the man!
Oakland at Denver- This always happens

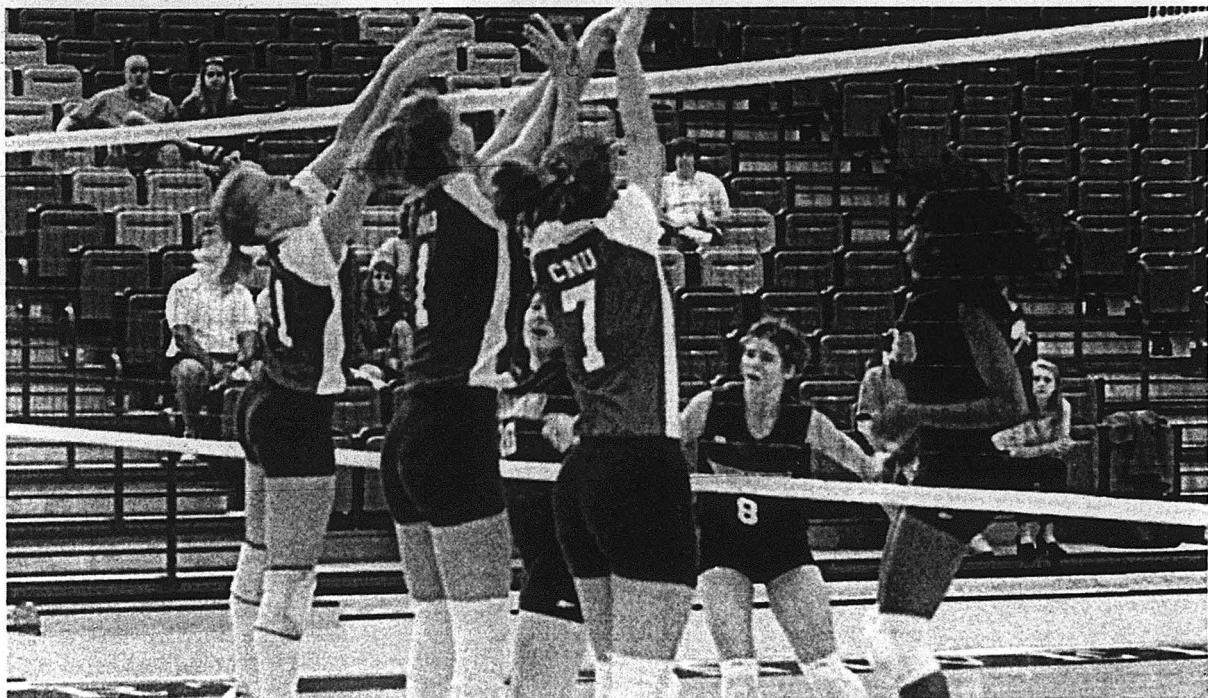


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Volleyball splits two matches

CNU Volleyball commences competition at the Freeman Center

By John Bailey
Staff Writer

CNU's volleyball team is 2-1 in their new home at the Freeman Sports Center. On Tuesday night, the Captains improved to 25-8 in the regular season, defeating N.C. Wesleyan 15-5, 15-10, 15-7. Earlier in the week CNU opened the sports center by losing its first game to Greensboro in three games, but came back to defeat Methodist 15-9, 15-9, 15-6.

In the first game, sophomore Liz Standish helped CNU jump out to an early 7-1 lead against the Monarchs, scoring 4 service points. However the Captains' defense was still a little unfocused and couldn't sustain the volleys during their scoring drive.

"The Freeman Center is really nice," junior mid-hitter Oksana Boukhtina said after the game. "But the ball is kind of loose in the air, it's such a big court."

Methodist took advantage of CNU's slow offense and began to chip away at their lead. The Monarchs became more aggressive on the floor, combatively chasing each ball. Freshman mid-hitter Samantha Moser sparked the Methodist rally, scoring two service points and an ace, making it a 7-4 game. CNU attempted to win back the momentum, but Methodist continued to out-play the Captains at the net.

Sophomore Emily Brown started another Monarch scoring surge. Brown grabbed two points off a bad dig and an overpowered return by CNU. She then powered a third serve into the back court for an ace, giving Methodist the lead 8-9. CNU coach Ken Shibuya had seen enough and called a time out.

"It was clear we weren't as focused as we needed to be," Shibuya said later. "I told the team to stay aggressive and to stay with their game plan."

The Captain's came back to the court ready to play. Brown again stepped up to the line and served. Every CNU player kept their focus on the ball. Standish passed to junior setter Nina Richardson who tapped it over the net, ending Brown's scoring run and Methodist's rally. Richardson also added 34 assists to the game to set a new CNU season record with 1,215 assists, breaking the old mark of 1,179 by Rachel Hull in 1997.

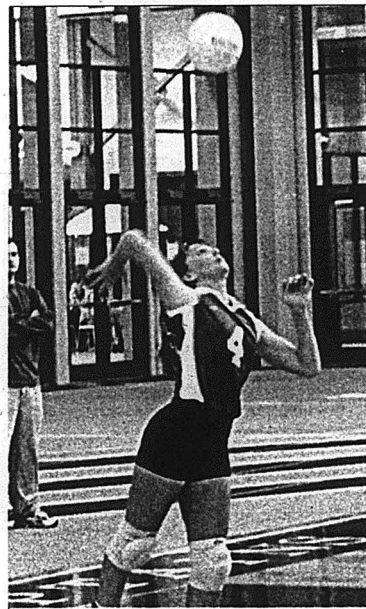
- Junior outside hitter Lindsay Sheppard helped tie the game with a kill through Methodist's defenders. CNU junior Rebecca Hammack then closed the door on the Monarchs, scoring four service points with sophomore mid-hitter Jenny

Steel punctuating the victory with a kill.

Methodist was still looking for an upset in the second game. Again, CNU's inability to sustain a scoring drive allowed the Monarchs to keep pace with the Captains, eventually closing to within two points of the lead at 9-7. However, while CNU was having problems keeping the serve, the team's defense became tougher and more aggressive as the game progressed.

The Captains racked up six kills in the last half of the game. CNU steadily choked-out Methodist's offense until Hammack again ended the game, scoring the winning point on her last serve. CNU turned up the heat in the third game, going on to win 15-6.

The Captains faced Ferrum College in the first round of the Dixie Conference Tournament.

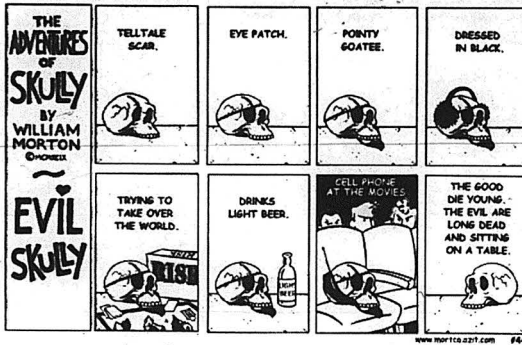


Top of page: Nina Richardson, Oksana Boukhtina, and Lindsay Shepard create a wall of defense against Greensboro. The defense wasn't able to stop the Greensboro attack as the Captains were defeated.

Above: Nina Richardson, Liz Standish, and Heather Vaden crouch to prepare for a Methodist spike. CNU went on to win against Methodist, in the second volleyball match in the new Freeman Center.

Left: Senior Heather Vaden serves an ace for CNU Volleyball against Methodist. This ends Heather Vaden's fourth and final year playing for CNU on the Volleyball team (left).

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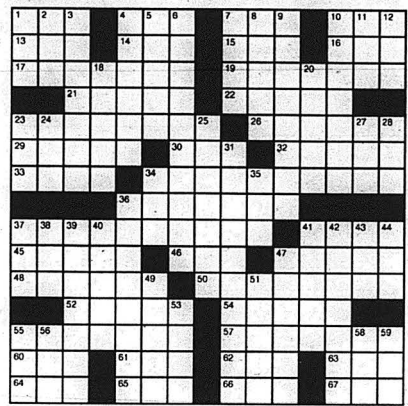
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- 23 Is present throughout
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