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University mourns the loss of freshman runner

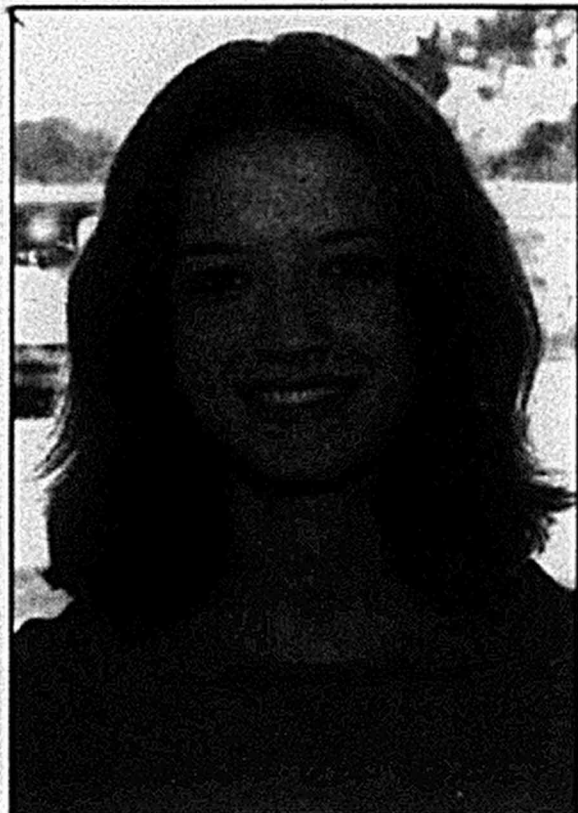


Photo courtesy of Wayne Block

Freshman Grace Lovegrove passed away last Wednesday after suffering from cardiac arrest.

BY ERIN EUDY
Managing Editor

Grace Lovegrove, a cross-country runner, track athlete and freshman at CNU passed away last Wednesday after suffering cardiac arrest at practice on Monday. She was 18.

That afternoon, a memorial service that was originally scheduled to be a prayer vigil in Gaines Theatre opened with Dean of Students, Donna Eddleman, informing students, faculty, staff and administration that Lovegrove had just passed away.

President Tribble's wife, Rosemary, addressed those gathered, telling comforting stories and offering words of encouragement. She specifically addressed members of the track and cross-country teams, relaying a message from Grace's grandfather: "keep running, run for Grace." Junior Elizabeth Browning, teammate and friend, also addressed the tearful crowd.

She told stories of Grace's infectious happiness and amazing personality.

"She loved Cheerwine soda," Browning said. "And that was so appropriate because it totally described her. She was always cheerful and, like wine, she'll loosen you up. She was always positive."

Browning closed her remarks with a challenge for her audience. "I challenge you to smile at another person in the room," she said. "Smile for Grace."

Lovegrove, a native of Roanoke and graduate of Patrick Henry High School, was running through a nearby neighborhood at practice on Monday with her fellow teammate, junior Megan Gehlsen.

"We were just laughing and carrying on," Gehlsen said. "The next thing I know, she's diving for bags of leaves in a driveway, breaking her fall on the way down. It just happened so fast."

Gehlsen stopped a passing car and the driver quickly called for help as other teammates came on to the scene.

Lovegrove was rushed by ambulance to Riverside Regional Medical

Center and she remained there until her death, two days later. She was surrounded constantly by her family and friends.

Lovegrove is survived by her parents, Richard and Clarissa Lovegrove, and her 11-year-old brother, Spencer.

Her funeral was Monday afternoon and CNU provided buses for any students who wished to attend the service.

As a runner, Lovegrove was unstoppable. She was second-team all-USA South in cross country season and placed seventh at the conference championships. She earned 12 varsity letters in high school, four in each sport: cross country, indoor track and outdoor track and field.

"She was consistently running for us in the top seven," said cross country coach Keith Maurer. "Running the longer distances than she did last year, her times were equivalent or better than what she did in

high school." Maurer also coaches the distance runners on the track team.

However, she will be remembered by her teammates and coaches not just as a amazing runner, but also as an amazing person.

"Her personality was the overwhelming memory that you have of Grace," Maurer said. "She was happy-go-lucky, carefree. She just had a zest for and enjoyed life."

"Anybody Grace touched with her wonderful smile and her sense of humor instantly loved her," said sophomore Tim Scott. "She never said a bad word about anybody and she was up to any challenge that was put before her. She tackled it like a champion and always came out laughing."

Another teammate, junior Megan Fogarty, also tried to express her love for Lovegrove.

"There is so much about her that we loved, she was wonderful," Fogarty

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Court rules out guidelines

BY ELIZABETH SCHILLING
Contributing Writer

The U.S. Supreme Court decided in a 5-4 decision on Jan. 12 to no longer require federal judges to follow mandatory federal sentencing guidelines.

The Sentencing Reform Act established the federal sentencing guidelines in 1987.

"The idea to create a uniform sentencing guideline was a good one by Congress," said Professor Harry Greenlee, the Government and Public Affairs Department Chair. "But, we need to have faith in our judges."

The Sentencing Reform Act standardized federal sentencing for similar offenses, abolished federal parole and created the U.S. Sentencing Commission.

The U.S. Sentencing Commission is a seven-member panel appointed by the President and approved by the Senate.

Each year, the commission reviews and clarifies the guidelines and publishes reports on federal sentencing data.

Under the guidelines, facts concerning the current conviction and any previous offenses are used in determining recommended sentencing.

The guidelines were mandatory minimum thresholds for federal judges handing down sentencing. Now that the federal guidelines are suggestions for sentencing, federal judges can take the context of the case into consideration.

"Judges can now look at why a crime was committed and the context of the crime instead of being restricted by only the federal sentencing guidelines," said Dr. Quentin Kidd, Associate Professor in Government and Public Affairs.

There is still a fear that some of the jury prejudices and different regions giving harsher sentences for certain crimes may reappear.

"The guidelines were a protection against the natural biases that juries bring into the courtroom," said Kidd. "Before the sentencing guidelines, we could see broad social patterns and often times minorities receiving harsher sentences."

However, the guidelines were not per-

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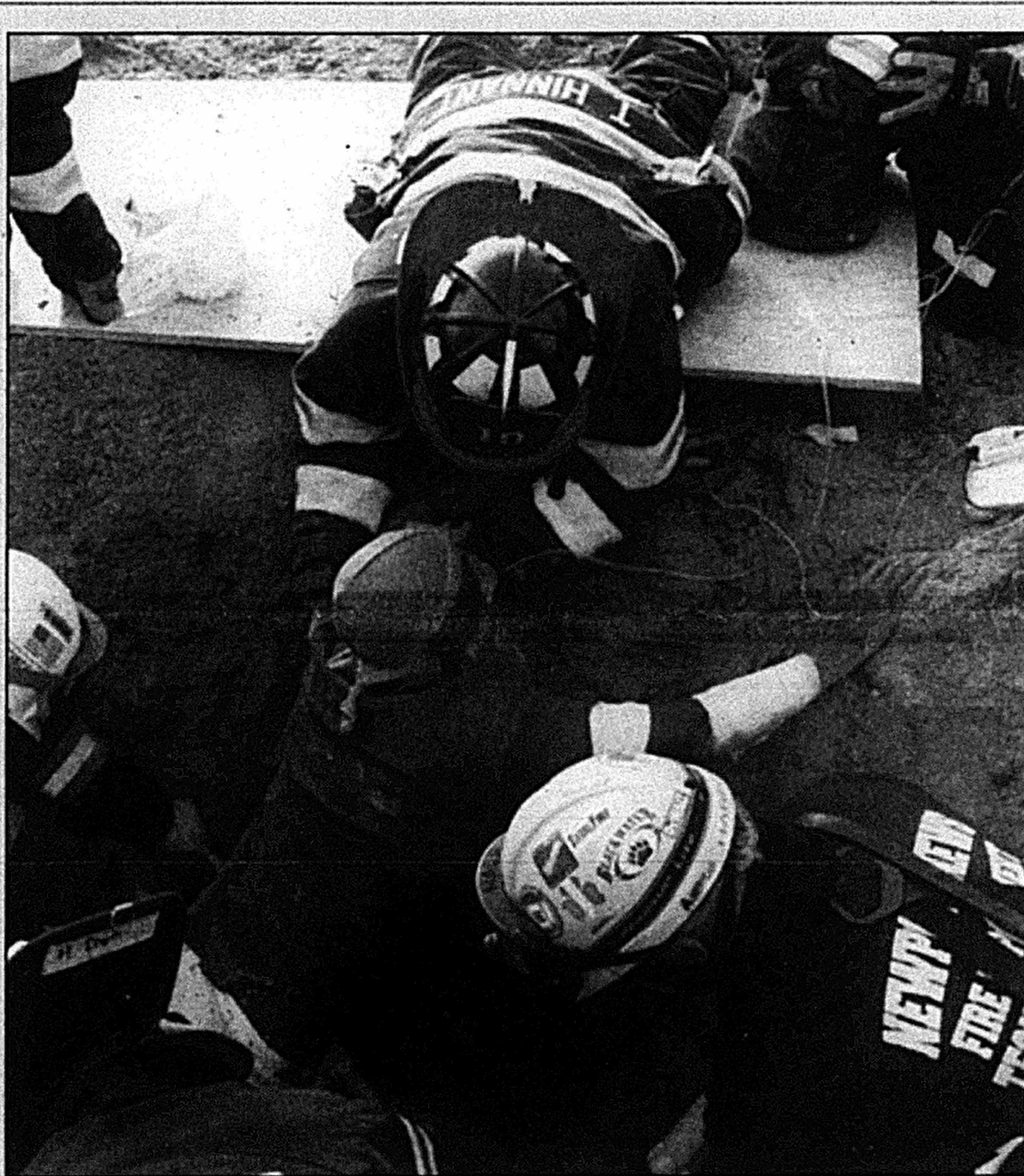


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Construction accident in CNU Village

Just after 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 4, the Newport News Fire Department responded to a call from the CNU Village construction site. A construction worker was injured while working in a four-foot-deep-hole. His leg became entangled in an auger, a machine with a rotating helical shaft for boring into the earth. Two local fire crews and the NNFD Technical Rescue Team responded. After medicating the man, they spent nearly an hour working to remove soil from around the man's leg before they could remove it from the auger. "Throughout the incident, traffic on Warwick Boulevard was rerouted from the scene so that the Nightingale Helicopter and specialized equipment from the Newport News Fire Department could be positioned adjacent to the construction area without endangering emergency personnel," said Dana Perry, spokeswoman for the Newport News Fire Department. Once he was removed, the 38-year-old man was flown to Norfolk Sentara Hospital. His current condition is unknown. "There were understatements about the extent of his injuries. They were life-threatening," Perry said. "The injured worker was a Verizon employee working on the installation of underground utilities for VDOT as they widen Warwick Boulevard," said Margaret Yancey, Special Assistant to the President of CNU.

245 students graduate

BY ASHLEIGH TULLAR
Captain's Log Intern

The Freeman Center buzzed with excitement as approximately 245 students participated in the Dec. 18 commencement ceremony.

The day began with the Alumni Society's buffet-style commencement breakfast in Regatta's for degree candidates and their families.

Following breakfast, degree candidates assembled with caps and gowns in the field house of The Freeman Center.

The commencement procession began at 10 a.m. and, while they entered, the CNU symphonic band directed by Joseph Pollard White played "Pomp and Circumstance, March No. 1."

Senator John H. Chichester, who has served more than 25 years in the Virginia Senate, presented the commencement address.

Chichester is the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

President Paul Tribble presented the President's Award to Carrie Condon who earned a 3.97, the highest GPA in that graduating class.

Condon received her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and she plans to pursue a graduate degree in the future.

Provost Dr. Richard Summerville honored Professor Lea Pellett, who has worked in the sociology department for nearly 35 years, with the award of emerita status.

Professor Pellett retired at the close of the Fall 2004 semester.

The day ended with the new graduates picking up their official diplomas in the Administration Building.

To some, Chichester's message was short, unlike some of the long, boring messages for which some graduations are known.

Graduate Kim Archibald (who received her B.A. in Sociology) said, "The commencement ceremony went by so fast; I felt it was appropriate because it felt like the four years I had spent at CNU."

Diminished SGA considers charities and transportation

BY PHILIP LECLERC
Contributing Writer

SGA has held two meetings this semester, the first on Jan. 10 and the second the following Monday, Jan. 17.

The first meeting began by considering the recent absences in the Senate.

Seniors Erin Ireland and Matt Martin had both left absent their former positions as Sergeant at Arms and Senator at Large, respectively, although Martin had not yet filed his resignation officially.

Vice President Ryan Chandler and Senators Mehreen Farooq and Ashleigh Stacy were off campus attending a Communications and Policy seminar in Washington, D.C., which will culminate at the presidential inauguration.

In Chandler's absence, Senator Jonathan Judkins carried out many of Chandler's duties.

As the meeting progressed, the issue of student apathy quickly turned instead to

the Tsunami Distribution Relief Fund.

A new committee will spearhead the effort and all student clubs and organizations may be involved in the event.

Because the fund was her suggestion, Farooq was suggested to lead it despite her absence.

Eventually, Senator Josh Dermer volunteered to help her organize the relief fund.

The second meeting saw further progress, as Senators Kearnsten Ruud and Jason Scheel suggested donating collected funds to the Red Cross.

Ruud said, "We're thinking of maybe doing a battle of the bands."

It was suggested that the battle of the bands be made an annual charity event, but the Senate chose not to make any final resolutions because of Farooq's absence.

On Jan. 10, Inter-Club Association (ICA) Representative Erin Greene intro-

duced herself and reported on the ICA's most recent activity.

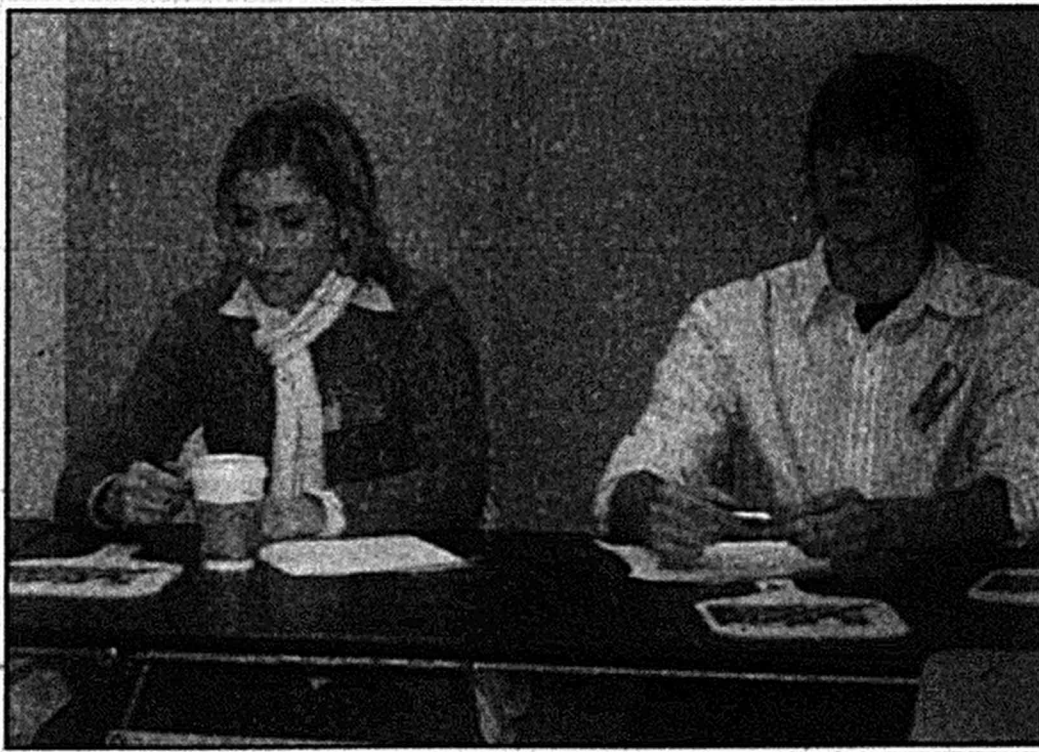
She explained that the ICA had recently voted on alterations to their constitution to instill sterner penalties and higher expectations in ICA attendance policies.

Next, the Senate discussed another charity operation, "The Polar Plunge."

Students will have the opportunity to donate fifty dollars to benefit the Special Olympics. In return, as Senator Eric Creaseman joked, plungers are awarded the privilege of jumping into the waters at the heart of Virginia Beach on Saturday, Feb. 5. Senators were asked to contact their constituents for donations.

Warner suggested that students carpool to the event.

Freshman Miranda Egan then stood to voice her own transportation concerns, and questioned the efficiency



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Freshman Rebecca Layman and sophomore Jason Scheel participate in the discussion of alcohol on campus after the weekend's Winter Formal.

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Weekend Forecast

courtesy of www.weather.com

Thursday: Snow showers

High: 44° Low: 30°

Friday: Snow showers

High: 38° Low: 27°

Saturday: Light Snow

High: 33° Low: 27°

Sunday: Snow

High: 43° Low: 21°

Want to place a classified ad?

The Captain's Log is now offering a classified section. Post roommate needs, items for sale, wanted, personals, etc. For more information, contact the Captain's Log at 594-7196.

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supershots

Melanie Reuter led a spiritual knitting experience for students and staff in the Student Center on Monday night. Reuter, left, shows Amy Todd, a CNU graduate who works in the United Campus Ministries, the techniques. She also explained her ministry, which includes crafting blankets for children in Afghanistan.

On the record Police Blotter

An unsecured bicycle was stolen from the Monroe building of the CNU Apartments Dec. 2. The case is currently inactive.

On Dec. 3, a vehicle window was shattered in Lot N. A parking decal was also stolen from the same lot. Both cases are inactive.

In York East on Dec. 3, a ceramic bowl was stolen. An unsecured bicycle was also stolen from the front of York East on Dec. 3. Both cases are inactive.

A vehicle window was broken near Potomac River on Dec. 3. The case is inactive.

Arrests were made in connection to underage drinking and an unauthorized visitor in James River. The case is currently inactive.

A door was damaged in York West on Dec. 6. The case is inactive.

There was an altercation between two people in Regatta's Dec. 7. The case is inactive.

An arrest was made for possession of marijuana in Santoro Dec. 8. The student was referred to Judicial Affairs and the case is currently inactive.

A student was referred to Judicial Affairs for possession of marijuana in York River Dec. 8. The case is currently inactive.

On Dec. 11, a student was referred to Judicial Affairs in connection to possession of alcohol and activating a fire extinguisher in the CNU Apartments. The case is inactive. Another student in the CNU Apartments was also arrested and referred to Judicial Affairs for underage possession of alcohol. This case is also inactive.

A backpack vacuum was stolen from the Ferguson Center for the Arts Dec. 13. The case is inactive.

On Dec. 17, an arrest was made for unauthorized access to 86 North Moores Lane. The case is currently inactive.

An arrest was made and a student was referred to Judicial Affairs for possession of narcotics in the Madison building of the CNU Apartments. An arrest was also made in Madison for drunk in public and underage possession of alcohol. That student was referred to Judicial Affairs. Both cases are inactive.

The parking deck was vandalized Dec. 22. The case is inactive.

On Dec. 7, a window and radio was damaged on a campus construction site. The case is inactive.

Around town State/Local News

Income Tax Reform

Income tax reforms enacted by the 2004 General Assembly will go into effect this month. These reforms include raising the filing threshold for single taxpayers \$2,000 and for married taxpayers \$4,000. This should lead to a larger take-home amount for those in a lower income bracket and a higher net wage for all earners in Virginia. The personal exemption and standard deduction for married taxpayers have also increased. The thresholds are based on gross income rather than taxable income. Higher thresholds mean that some lower-income Virginians, if they chose not to have withholdings deducted from their checks, should not have to file a return for the 2005 tax year. For more information visit <http://asp.vipnet.org/news/ann-viewer.asp?a=107&z=2>.

Governor Warner To Attend Inauguration

Governor Mark Warner will be attending the Inauguration of 55 President George W. Bush on Thursday, Jan. 20, 2005 in Washington, D.C.

Flu Update

As of this month, the Virginia Department of Health has announced that those over the age of 50 and those in consistent contact with high-risk individuals may be able to get vaccinations, though the supply may still be limited. For more information, visit the Virginia Department of Health at www.vdh.virginia.gov.

Rabies Vaccinations

The Virginia Department of Health is encouraging pet owners in the Newport News area to make sure their pets have current rabies shots. It is recommended that owners avoid contact with stray or unknown animals, report these animals to an animal control agency, and keep pets in a house, yard or on a leash.

For more information visit the Virginia Department of Health Web site at www.vdh.virginia.gov/whc/external_whc/rabiesnew.asp or U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvrd/rabies/default.htm.

Peninsula Fine Arts Center

The Peninsula Fine Arts Center is looking for volunteers. Areas of interest include community relations, marketing and fundraising for education, tour guides and visitor services, exhibition installation, building and grounds, administrative assistance, data entry, graphic design and event and program implementation. Volunteers may be able to qualify for benefits including a free class at the Studio Art School, discounts, and event invitations. Also, they hold a weekly arts café Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. with free admission. For a volunteer application go to www.pfac-va.org.

Auditions for Renaissance Faire

Open-call auditions for the Renaissance Faire will be held on Sunday, Feb. 13 from 12 to 4 p.m. at Lake Anna Winery in Spotsylvania, Va. Auditions are by appointment only, call 703-508-5036 or email OOTW@wmalfreemail.com.

Your life Campus News

New Interlibrary Loan System

The Illiad system is a new method that allows CNU faculty, staff and students to submit borrowing requests for interlibrary loans over the Internet by filling out a registration form at <http://library.cnu.edu/illiad/login.html> or going to the library's homepage and clicking on Interlibrary Loan. Users will be given a login and must choose a password. E-mail Interlibrary Loan at ill@cnu.edu for more information.

CNU Employee Fitness Class

A fitness class involving cardiovascular exercise, muscle toning and stretching/relaxing will now be offered in the Freeman Center Multipurpose room. The cost is free and will be instructed by Triesmann Fitness Pavilion Director Lisa Wingfield. It will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:15 to 6:00 p.m. To register call Human Resources at extension 4-7145 or e-mail at hr@cnu.edu.

Intramural Indoor Soccer

Registration is now available for intramural indoor soccer. To register, either fill out a registration form from the Ratcliffe 157 bulletin board or e-mail your phone number, team name and roster to jharrell@cnu.edu. Registration is limited to the first 20 teams and ends Jan. 24. Games will be played Tuesday and Thursday nights between 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. For more information call 594-7054.

Silver Storm Dance Clinic

CNU's dance team, Silver Storm, will be offering a dance clinic on Saturday, Jan. 22. It will be held in the Ferguson Center for the Arts from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. for ages 6-9 and 12:15 p.m.-3:15 p.m. for ages 10-14. The \$30.00 fee will cover the clinic, a t-shirt, a snack and a water bottle. At the CNU Men's basketball game the night of the 22nd, the clinic participants will perform. For more information, contact Lindsay Moss at (757) 865-6574 or (757) 810-6642.

Financial Aid

To receive financial aid for the 2005-2006 school year, students should fill out an application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The form can be found online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or a paper form can be picked up in the office of financial aid in the administration building. The priority filing date is March 1. Also contact them for information on workshops during the first few weeks of spring classes. They can be reached via email at finaid@cnu.edu.

Corrections

In last month's issue, released December 1, 2004, Ashley Dooley wrote "SGA debates future meeting times."

In last month's issue, the SGA photo should include Katie Grace, not Molly Bailey.



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Campus Calendar

January 19 - 25

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
12:00 p.m. - GSSU Meeting; SC 233	12:15 p.m. - Financial Management Association Meeting; SC 214	4:00 p.m. - SVEA; Ratcliffe 112	9:00 a.m. - Silver Storm Dance Clinic; Ferguson	4:00 p.m. - Catholic Campus Ministries Mass	12:00 p.m. - Baptist Student Union Meeting; SC 233	12:15 p.m. - College Republicans; SC 150
2:00 p.m. - Religion Club meeting; Admin 346	2:30 p.m. - Phi Sigma Tau; Philosophy and Religion Dept.	6:00 p.m. - CAB movie "Ladder 49"; Anderson	2:00 p.m. - Women's Basketball vs. Ferrum; Freeman Center	2:00 p.m. - Women's Basketball vs. Peace College; Freeman Center	7:30 p.m. - CNU Rowing Club Meeting; SC 233	12:20 p.m. - Biology Club meeting; Sci. Bldg. 131
2:30 p.m. - Campus Activity Board; CAB Office - Student Center	6:00 p.m. - Currents Meeting; Ratcliffe	8:00 p.m. - Comedian Tony Tone; Gaines	4:00 p.m. - Men's Basketball vs. Ferrum; Freeman Center	5:00 p.m. - Captain's Log staff meeting; SC 233	8:00 p.m. - Joel 2:28; Barclay 48	7:00 p.m. - Campus Girl Scouts Meeting; SC 205
3:00 p.m. - Young Democrats; Student Center Lounge	7:30 p.m. - CNU Role-playing Guild; SC 205		8:00 p.m. - Poetry Slam with Vanessa Hiday; Discovery Cafe			
5:30 p.m. - Peer Advising Club; PAC Office - Upstairs Student Center	8:30 p.m. - Altered Xpressionz Meeting; Freeman Multipurpose Room					
	9:00 p.m. - CAB movie "Ladder 49"; Anderson					

Day in the Life: Freshman Katie Murray

By PATRICIA LANN
Captain's Log Intern

When Katie Murray cleans, her efforts extend far beyond the boundaries of her room in York River West. They even extend beyond the Captain John Smith Library where she works sorting books and periodicals.

Murray's chores affect the cleanliness of the campus, the city and the world. But she isn't armed with a giant feather duster.

"I just want to recycle!" said the 18-year-old freshman. Her wish is simple enough, but the task she has in mind is too big for one small student with a full-time class schedule and a job.

Her vision is a campus where recycling is second nature for all and there are just as many practical and convenient recycling containers as there are trashcans.

"I don't understand," said Murray. "It should be a basic thing."

A native of New York City, Murray can remember recycling seeming natural during her first nine years, although her mom

stopped recycling at home after moving to Pennsylvania where Murray attended the fourth through eighth grades. Recently, Murray has witnessed huge construction projects overtake green areas around her home in Richmond over the past four years, helping to fuel her desire to do her part.

"Recycling is an easy way to help out doing great things for the environment," said Murray. "There's no time like the present."

While recycling bins are present in random locations around campus, according to Murray, they are impractical and far too few to make a significant impact on the amount of waste recycled by students, faculty and staff.

"Aluminum can recycling bins are in some of the academic buildings, but the vending machines only sell plastic bottles," she said.

To address the issue during her first semester on campus, Murray quickly became involved in CNU's Ecology Club and was pleasantly surprised with the feedback and participation by

CNU students during a recycling drive the club held before Thanksgiving break. Still, she hopes for a year-round system to recycle the most possible plastic, aluminum, paper and glass.

"I know people are interested because the [Ecology Club's] collection proved people are interested," said Murray. She has taken her concerns to the York River Hall Council and the CNU Residence Hall Association, but saw little change in the postings, containers, and organization to maintain a regular recycling pick-up schedule in the Residence Halls.

"I'm not giving up on RHA," said Murray. "Everyone just needs to collaborate. That's the key."

She sees other possible advantages to organizations getting involved in the recycling trend.

"Some places will even pay you for it," said Murray, noting that funds from recyclables may go back to organizations for more environmentally beneficial programs. "If money doesn't do it, I don't know what will."

Murray began by simply

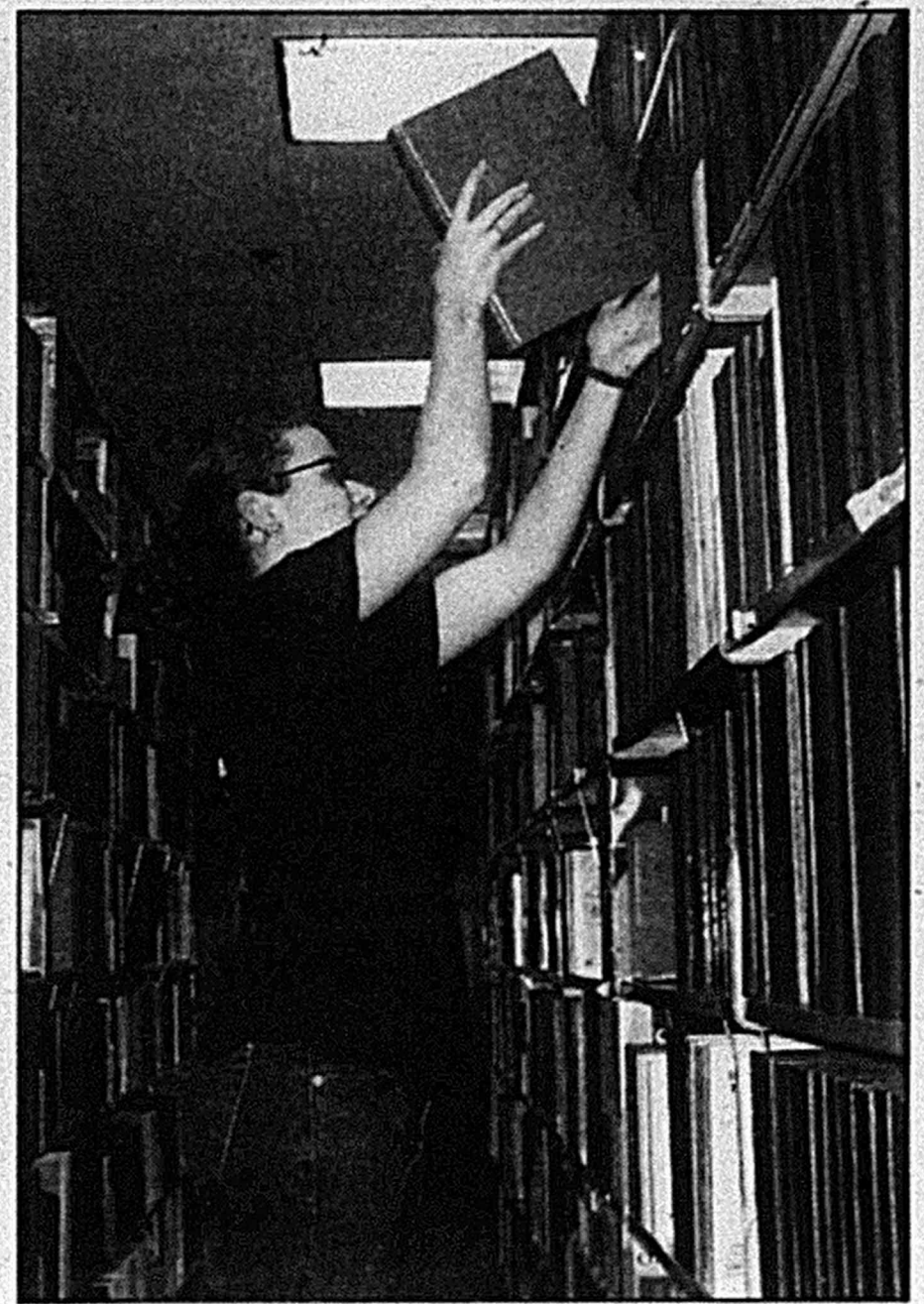
rinsing out recyclables, storing them neatly in a corner of her room, and transporting them to the Hiddenwood Fire Department's recycling center.

"My RA said it was OK as long as it doesn't become a fire hazard," said Murray. "She actually thought it was a good idea and suggested I talk to the Hall Council."

Others soon noticed her efforts and within the past few months the York River Hall trash rooms have become a little emptier as some students have collaborated with Murray to transport their own recyclables off campus as well.

Murray, also active with CNU's chapters of Circle K and the Animal Welfare Coalition, can sometimes be seen at these clubs' tables in the Student Center informing students of other ideas and petitions, including one attempting to provide healthier foods in on-campus vending machines.

For now, Murray will continue to work around the system. "I plan on being a recycler forever," she said. "If you care enough, they will care, too."



Freshman Katie Murray restocks the shelves in the library during her part-time job. She is also involved in the Ecology Club.

Parking Services adjusts lots I and F

By ERIN ROLL
Contributing Writer

Students, faculty and staff returning for the spring 2005 term will notice that there has been a reversal in where they can and cannot park their cars.

Two of the main campus parking lots have flopped between certain parking decal holders.

Lot F, located next to the Freeman Center and Warwick Boulevard, is now reserved for second-semester freshmen and all other main campus residents, as noted by green and orange parking decals.

Lot I, located between York River Hall and the Ferguson Center, is now reserved for faculty and staff, who are required to dis-

play dark blue parking decals.

Parking Services has since put up signs advertising the new locations of student and faculty parking spaces. The decision to re-shuffle the parking lot assignments was made in November by Vice President Bill Brauer, based on a recommendation from Parking Services. The changes officially went into effect at the start of the spring semester, Brauer said.

Michael Hott, director of Parking Services, stated that Lots F and I are the only lots that will undergo assignment changes; assignments for the other campus parking lots will stay the same.

Hott also confirmed that the visitors' parking spaces in Lot I would not be affected by the changes.

According to a news brief posted on the Campus Pipeline in December, the parking lot assignment change would accomplish two things.

It would free up some parking spaces for students, and in the evening, after the faculty and staff have departed, the lot would be able to accommodate people attending performances at the Ferguson Center.

Sophomore Lauren Owens stated that she thinks it is better to have a clearer idea of where the faculty and staff should park, instead of dividing the lots in half. "I think it's fine. I don't think it's a bad idea," Owens said.

"I really haven't given it much thought," said senior Melissa Bell.

Rescheduling causes resignations

By PHILIP LECLERC
Contributing Writer

Recent scheduling conflicts caused the SGA Senate's former Sergeant at Arms, Erin Ireland, to resign; her former colleague, senior Matt Martin, has not officially resigned, but is in a similar situation.

"I'm not happy with the results, obviously, but I'm not about to give up my education," said Martin.

Applicants are being considered for the positions, and SGA President Melissa Bell said, "I know there's people who are interested," referring to the same candidates who provided Ireland and Martin competition for their positions initially.

Although Vice President Ryan Chandler, Senator Mehreen Farooq, and Senator Ashleigh Stacy are currently off-campus, Bell said the application process should come to completion at about the same time that they return.

When asked if the timing would adversely affect the process, Bell said, "It works perfectly; it gives us about two weeks." She also mentioned that if the absent Senators did not return on time, the selection process would be completed without them.

The situation that led to Ireland (a senior this semester) resigning, and forced Martin to choose between school and the Senate, began in the weeks prior to SGA's vote on its schedule for

this semester. Senators turned in their schedules to the SGA Senate's Secretary, who was expected to find a reasonable meeting time when as many Senators as possible were available.

"There were three Senators that had scheduled classes Mondays at 5:30... and only one Senator with a class Thursday at 7," said Ireland, but the Senate whittled its scheduling options down to Mondays at 5:30 and Tuesdays at 5:30. Ireland attends classes during both of those time slots.

"It was essentially making me choose between a class and student government, and this was not a class I could drop," said Ireland.

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Vitello Marsala

Veal scaloppini sautéed with marsala wine, mushrooms and prosciutto ham over capellini.

Penne ala Vodka

Penne pasta sautéed in marinara sauce with shallots, Italian herbs and grated cheese, flambéed in vodka.

Scampi ala Mitty's

Fresh shrimp sautéed in light oil and garlic sauce over capellini.

Spaghetti Marinara

Spaghetti with meatballs.

Linguine ala Vongole

Whole clams on Linguine pasta with your choice of red or white sauce.

Fettuccine Alfredo Con Pollo

Fettuccine pasta with grilled chicken tossed in a parmesan cream sauce.

Pasta Primavera

Angel hair pasta and fresh sautéed vegetables mixed in a light oil and garlic sauce.

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Slice of Napoleon.

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Winter formal serves alcohol

By ALIYA ALTAFULLAH
Captain's Log Intern

The balloons and artistic decorations combined with hundreds of dancing feet and untamed laughter brought The Ferguson Center's main atrium to life this past Saturday night.

The theme was "Rendezvous on Bourbon Street," and the hall was decked to the nines with everything a New Orleans party should have.

The music was loud, the gowns were sparkling, and the alcohol was flowing way into the early hours of the morning.

That's right, you read correctly. This year's ball was in fact the first wet event on campus ever in CNU's history.

The idea for hosting a wet campus-sponsored event had been discussed for quite some time by many of CNU's benefactors.

Everyone had heard the rumors but nothing was formally

announced until last Sunday night at the dance committee meeting held by Greek life.

And so it became official: the Alcohol Task Force – comprised of students, faculty and staff – had decided to serve beer and wine to those students of legal age.

"The idea had been requested by students for a while," said Carrie Muoio, head of Greek Life.

"So far everything has been great; we sold over 700 tickets and everyone seems to be having a good time. I think we could expect this campus-wide formal sponsored by Greek Life to become an annual event."

ID's were checked and verified upon entry to the lobby's grand atrium.

The cash bar was set up in the lobby and was busy all night, with bartenders selling drinks to those wearing a white wristband.

Many students agreed that this formal was a huge step-

ping-stone for CNU and one that many thought they'd never witness.

"I had heard the rumors but was really surprised when it became official since they'd never done anything like this before," said 19-year-old sophomore, Melissa Medlen.

Junior Matthew Woodson, 21, said he thought it was a great idea and "a very good opportunity to expand the university."

"CNU just continues to evolve so quickly and at the rate it's going once in a while we have to just look at what we're doing and make certain changes," said President Paul Tribble.

"Although CNU will still remain a dry campus, the alcohol task force came to this decision and it was carried out."

President Tribble also went on to say that he was very pleased with the turnout of students at the dance and that everything went well as planned.

He also confirmed that once the up and coming CNU Village



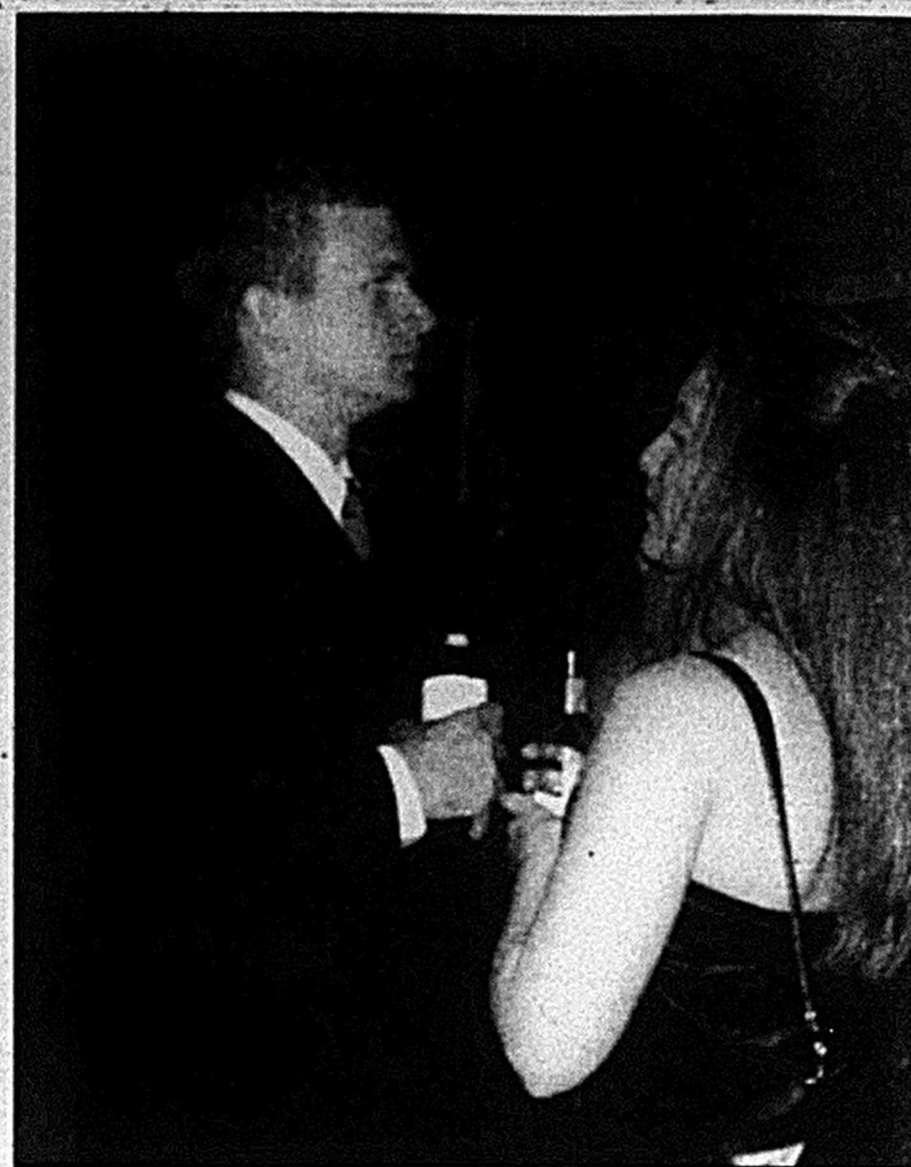
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The winter formal's cash bar featured wines and beer.

opens in the Fall of 2005, the chain restaurants located there will also serve alcohol to students 21 and over.

Kevin Hughes, head of judicial affairs, said that in the end, everything went great and the formal was a huge accomplishment.

"The alcohol task force will look at this event and base further decisions on its success. The students worked hard for this and they got it."



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The 2005 Winter Formal tested using alcohol at a campus-sponsored event. It was used as a basis for further decisions about alcohol on campus.

Construction projects on schedule and budget

By ERIN EUDY
Managing Editor

Despite days of rain and the major snowstorm that hit Newport News the day after Christmas, the many campus construction projects continue to stay on track and the new traffic circle is completed and in use. These projects include the student center, CNU Village, the library and the Ferguson Center for the Arts.

"All construction and expansion projects are on schedule and on budget," said Margaret Yancey, special assistant to the president of CNU.

Many students noticed on their arrival back to CNU the addition of lights as well as the extensive progress made to the new student center.

The new student center,

which is scheduled for completion in winter of 2006, is going to be approximately twice the size of the old student center. It will include club offices, a ballroom, a new residential dining facility, retail dining, a new bookstore, a post office and the Career and Counseling Center.

"I'm impressed with the progress," said freshman Brendan Hunt. "But it's still a huge construction site that wakes me up every morning."

Another obvious change was the bricks in place along the majority of CNU Village. "I plan on living in the CNU Village next year," said junior Justin Wood, "so I was really happy to see the progress they made on it over break. If it's not ready in time, I'll be pretty disappointed."

CNU Village is scheduled to be completed this summer. This residence hall will house 400 stu-

dents in apartments similar to the CNU Apartments. Included in the planning are 17 retail spaces, designed for both the University and the local community.

The new 110,000 square foot library is expected to be finished in the spring of 2006.

"The new library sounds like it is going to be really nice," said junior Joey Thompson. "I just hope it's going to be done on time, it doesn't look like they have made much progress on it."

Finally, the Ferguson Center for the Arts, featuring a 50-seat amphitheater, a 200-seat studio theatre, a 500-seat theatre and music hall, and a 1,700-seat concert hall is also scheduled to be completed this summer.

The new traffic circle was recently completed and has been in use since the very end of last semester.

The new circle allows students access to the new parking deck and local residents access to the new Shoe Lane, now called Avenue of the Arts. The Avenue of the Arts is now open to all traffic and the old Shoe Lane from Warwick Boulevard to University Place is permanently closed.

Many students expressed mixed feelings about the new circle.

"I didn't like it," said junior Jen Sweeney. "I sat waiting on one side, but I couldn't get out because people kept driving around and around. It took forever."

Senior, Dave Kilburn, disagreed.

"It was a piece of cake," he said. "I flew around it, doing like 50. It was a nice alternative to having to wait forever at the different lights on Warwick."

Volunteers continue tsunami relief work

By KEN MORITSUGU
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Every night, Zulkarnain bin Musa sees dead bodies walking toward him in his dreams.

When he wakes, the 19-year-old college student dons his rubber boots and gloves and sets out, as he did again on Sunday, with a team of volunteers to pull dozens of bodies out of the rubble left by the tsunami three weeks ago.

The work is physically exhausting, emotionally tough and seemingly without end. Some volunteers report feeling itchy, they think from dredging around in putrid

pools of water. But day after day, for more than two weeks now, they have soldiered on.

About 50,000 bodies have been found in and around Banda Aceh, the provincial capital that bore the brunt of the tsunami's wrath. Some 2,500 more are still being found every day.

"Physically, we are getting weak," said Daryanto Manik, 27, who has sore feet and sore upper arms. "We really want to keep at it, but how long we can will depend on our physical condition."

Vast areas of the obliterated suburbs of Banda Aceh have yet to be searched. About 100 volunteers, organized by the Indonesian Red Cross, fanned out across the desolate remains of

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one suburb, Lam Jabat, on Sunday, over one mile inland from the sea.

Most of the houses are gone, and much of the area remains inundated by huge pools of water. Walking out on debris and the foundations of houses that have lost their walls, the volunteers scanned the landscape for corpses.

Many said they are unfazed by the gruesome work. They are trained, coming from Red Cross emergency response teams, many from universities across the nation.

For some, seeing death up close is nothing new. In Aceh, a

province long riven by a separatist conflict, the volunteers have been called on before to haul out bodies - sometimes beheaded or mutilated - of rebels, soldiers or civilians caught up in the strife.

Still, Barmani, a 25-year-old civil engineering student from Aceh, admits to feeling sad at times.

"Sometimes, I sit alone and contemplate what has happened here," said Barmani, who like many Indonesians goes by only one name.

The bodies are hard to pick out amid the debris. What appears to be just a clump of red cloth with a floral pattern turns out on closer inspection to have a bare leg sticking out of it. It's the

lower body of a diminutive woman, buried in the mud under a chunk of concrete. It takes several minutes for the volunteers to heave the concrete out and get to the body.

The victim appeared to have her hands above the head, perhaps trying to protect herself from falling concrete in the earthquake that preceded the tsunami.

The volunteers zip the body into a blue body bag and leave it by the side of the road, where it will be picked up and taken to a mass grave for an anonymous burial. By noon, two-dozen more bodies line the route. Countless more remain to be found.

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"Because I was appointed late, I was never told to reserve that time" said Martin. Martin also has a class to attend every Monday at 5:30, and said "We're here to learn and everything else is secondary to learning."

The Senate finally chose to continue meeting on Mondays at 5:30, which is, as President Bell said, "The same time the Senate has met for the past four years."

"It was messy because unfortunately it wasn't made clear enough when the meetings would be during the second semester," said Dr. Robert Colvin, the SGA's faculty advisor.

Asked to consider the choice Martin and Ireland were faced with, President Bell said, "When you get over 20 people, it's hard to find an appropriate time during the week to meet. It's inevi-

table that you're going to lose a person or two, and so you really have to weigh the pros and the cons."

Ireland also said she was uncertain that SGA's members "voted for the best solution for the Senate or the most convenient one for them," and continued to say that it "seemed that they weren't open to other ideas."

Ireland wanted to discuss scheduling again, and suggested that the Senate meet at 10 p.m. for that purpose, but the Senate rejected the proposal.

Ireland said that Martin's proposal that the Senate meet "12:15 to 1:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays" was also met with little interest, although no Senators would have classes during those times.

"I understand why it wasn't met with much interest - peo-

ple like to enjoy their lunch break... I just think that a better-suited alternative could have been found, and one that could have harmed less people" said Martin.

Martin too said, "I never stop trying to get my ideas out... I'm just going to have to use the mediums I have - talking to people I know, getting the word out."

"I think the overall context is that the Senate is entering their first year operating under a very different Constitution with three separate branches of government, and given that, I think their ironing out the initial glitches has been remarkable. I think what they've done is they've had the courage to face something new and bold and they've faced the challenges head-on," said Colvin.

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ceived by all to be equitable in all areas.

"The [Supreme Court] decision was long overdue. There were inequities in sentencing guidelines, especially in drug sentences," said Greenlee. "If you looked at the sentencing guidelines, it took less rock cocaine than powder cocaine to receive a similar sentence recommendation. This guideline could be seen as racially motivated since minority groups have easier access to certain forms of the drug."

In the first 10 years, according to the U.S. Sentencing Commission, federal judges sentenced almost 300,000 defendants using the guidelines.

This creates a problem with the recent decision and whether or not it should be retroactive.

"The courts don't need any extra gridlock," said sophomore Stephanie Endicott. "The guidelines should apply to defendants based on when they were convicted or when the offense occurred. It shouldn't be applied retroactively."

The decision appears to un-

derscore a struggle for power that has existed among our branches of government.

"When Congress enacted the sentencing guidelines, they took away the heart and soul of a judge's job," said Greenlee.

"With this decision, the judicial branch has reasserted its power. Ultimately, the legislature really can't win this battle since the judicial branch will always have the power to review Congress."

The decision is United States v. Booker No.04-104.

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of the Hampton Roads Transit bus system.

Egan complained that a trip to Virginia Beach had taken her five hours. No solutions were decided upon, but Bell suggested that the Parking Services Committee handle the issue.

Warner proposed possibly employing school vans to transport students regularly.

As the second meeting began, Bell conducted her biweekly executive report to the SGA Senate.

Senior Abbie Tang, SGA's former Secretary of Media, recently acquired an internship with The Daily Press this semester and resigned from her position with the SGA.

"We're definitely sad to see her go," Bell said, just before Senator Jim Deeley motioned to hold a standing ovation for their former colleague.

Bell next reported on CNU's alcohol policies.

Dean of Students Donna Eddleman, Bell and SGA advisor Dr. Robert Colvin recently chaired a committee on alcohol services together.

Their committee returned its recommendations regarding CNU's alcohol policy to President Tribble, who accepted them all.

Alcohol will be sold in the restaurants of the CNU Village Apartments, but not allowed in any residential areas.

Additionally, alcohol will be permitted at one ball per year.

"This in essence is a pilot semester, and an opportunity for us to see how the campus reacts to having alcohol at formal events," said Bell.

Bell brought up a third issue: freshman academic performance. She said, "What I've heard is that a large number of the freshman class are returning on academic probation and so, if that is the case I would like to have that confirmed by the administration."

"If a Senator would like to chair a committee, it would behoove them. What on our half can we do to improve these numbers?" said Bell.

Senator Rebecca Layman said that a retention committee already exists outside of the SGA, and she serves on it, but Senator Grace said, "I think it's important that we have our own committee to narrow down the issue, and also I think it's important that we have one of the freshman senators on that committee."

The meeting's final topic, the National SGA Conference, offers SGA members a chance to, as Bell said, "have a dialogue with other universities."

The budget only allows for two SGA representatives to attend the conference, but Bell expressed certainty that additional funding could be found.

The SGA did not agree on details regarding the conference and are still looking for representatives.

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said. "She always had a smile and she made other smile with her laughter, her fun and random stories and her cute personality. She always looked on the positive sides of things and that is something you can't honestly say about just anyone."

"She made me want to be a better person. You'd think that since I was older I should be the one setting the example, being the role model, but the truth is that Grace was the one to follow. She was the role model."

Another friend, junior Catton Ball also fondly remembered Lovegrove.

"She brightened the room and her presence just made you want to smile," she said. "Grace was truly one of the most amazing people I have ever met."

"Grace was a joy to have around," Maurer said. "She brought a smile to everyone's face, and even now, many of us are trying to recall the stories about Grace. The stories that make us smile."

Fogurty remembered one story in particular.

"After away practices, whenever we drove past the

Outback on Jefferson, she always said 'I want to go there, I feel like a big steak.' So I said, 'Grace I am taking you there when the season is over and we are going to just pig out.' I took her, and I'm so glad I did."

Fogurty isn't the only one recalling Lovegrove's amazing eating abilities.

One of her hall mates fondly remembered her the Halloween dinner. "She easily made three trips up for more crab legs," she said.

"She loved all types of junk food," Fogurty said, "especially Pop-tarts, Milky Ways and Arties burgers. She could eat anything she wanted and never gain an ounce."

Food isn't the only thing that her friends remember about Lovegrove.

"I remember how excited Grace was about her new job this semester," Browning said. "She was going to be a model for some of the drawing classes. She said she couldn't believe that she was going to get paid to sit there while people drew pictures of her. She was excited, but nervous about having to sit still for that long."

Maurer recalled the week-end before school started this se-

master. There was a high school track meet hosted in the Freeman Center and Grace came back to school early to help work it.

"Her job was to stand at the finish line and signal to the people at the starting line as to when they could start the next race," he said. "Now lots of people could look at working these track meets as drudgery and complain about it, but not Grace. She spent the whole time smiling and posing in crazy ways with her flags. She had everyone around her laughing."

Most agree that these are the memories that they will cherish of Grace as they look fondly back at the time they had with her.

"No one could ask any more from a teammate than what Grace had to offer," Scott said, "love, laughter, and the kind of friendship that can only be found once in a lifetime. She will be deeply missed by everyone."

Now these teammates must look to the future.

"Over the last few days I have come to realize that we really won't be without her on all our runs in the future," Fogurty said. "She will be right there with us, only this time, she'll have wings on her feet."

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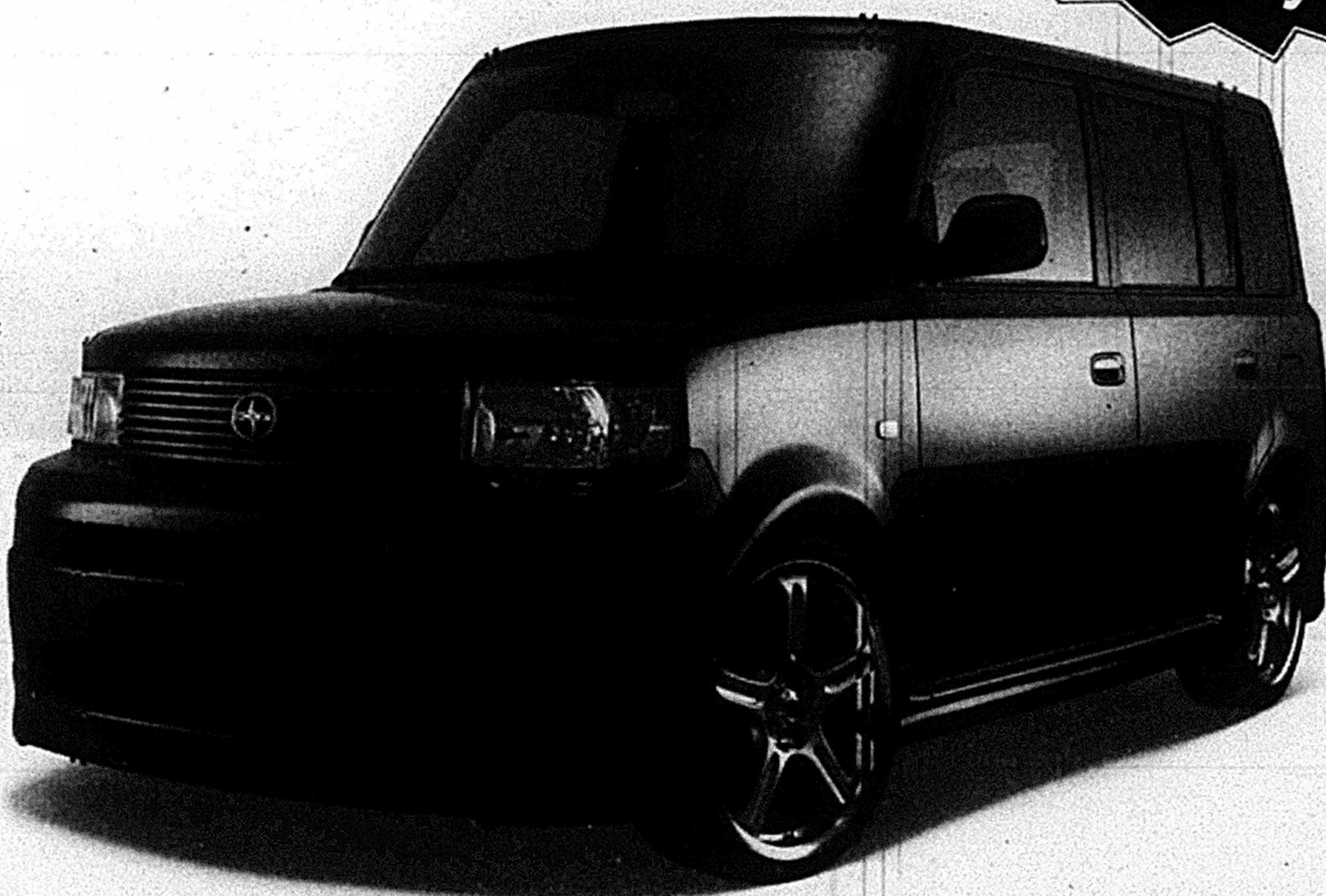
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Where We Stand

The Winter Formal last Saturday indicates a landmark occasion in recent history. The University's decision to allow the sale of alcohol at the dance heralds a new phase for the University, one that does not come without potential problems and worries.

Many are concerned about the effect on our school's 'image.' Others might worry that allowing alcohol on school grounds will raise instances of alcoholism, accidents or even deaths.

The University does need to be aware of the mixed messages it may be sending to current and future students of CNU. While we have (recently) been able to promote ourselves as a safe, 'dry' campus, we can no longer use that status as a signifier of our values. However, we must remember that our status as 'wet' or 'dry' is not the only indicator of our values.

CNU can and should allow regulated sale of alcohol on the East Campus, and allow the serving of alcohol at school events and functions. This is a natural progression many other schools have made when expanding and can be cost-efficient and attractive to many prospective students.

Life as we know it here on campus would not change drastically because of these decisions. Underage drinking would still be prohibited and policed accordingly. Students living in CNU-owned residences would still be restricted from having alcoholic beverages in their rooms, and of-age students walking to their rooms or across campus would continue to be policed in the ways according to Newport News policy.

In truth, the only thing that really changes here is the perception of our school. While many might argue that these recent decisions might have a negative impact of an outsider's view of our community, we will have to wait to see if there are any serious negative effects from allowing alcohol at CNU. If the students continue to conduct themselves as well as they did at the Winter Formal, these changes will be smooth and unproblematic.

The CNU community suffered a great loss last week. We at The Captain's Log would like to extend our condolences to the friends and family of Grace Lovegrove.



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Drainage is a massive problem

Students react to the recent flooding around campus

By HEATHER MCGINLEY
Contributing Writer

Wet socks, muddy shoes and no dry path to get to class: this is what it was like maneuvering between classes at CNU last Friday. This appears to be no passing trend considering CNU's history with flooding.

The worst on-campus flooding Friday was undoubtedly between the faculty parking lot and the entrance to the Ferguson Center for the Arts.

With the assistance of sophomore Nii Akwei Adoteye, I measured the width and depth of this massive puddle Friday at 1 p.m. and found it to be over 27 and a half feet across, nine inches deep, and nearly spanning the area from one sidewalk to the other.

The student reaction to "Lake Christopher," as sophomore James Smithson dubs it, is not positive.

Adoteye arrived at "Lake Christopher" early when his only options were to wade through the puddle or to walk through the mud.

He chose the former before realizing how deep the puddle was. The water came up to his knees. Adoteye claimed it was 9 a.m. before CNU staff arrived with a small water pump to drain "Lake Christopher."

At some point wooden planks were placed to the side of the walk so that students could cross without getting too muddy.

Mud and water did however get onto the boards under the weight of students' crossing.

Attempts that may or may not have been made to clean up the area before Saturday's winter formal "A Rendezvous on Bourbon Street" were unsuccessful.

Students walked across wooden planks in gowns and tuxedos before entering Ferguson.

In fact, it appeared that little progress had been made in draining the area since Friday afternoon.

"Build up the sidewalk or something so water doesn't sit there and we have to walk through it," suggests Smith.

According to some students, there were large puddles in front of the York West Residence Hall and on the dirt path leading to Regatta's as well.

"The drainage is bad all over campus," Adoteye says, but there were a few spots on campus that are worse than others.

The worst area for Adoteye was between the faculty lot and Ferguson, but he says the sidewalk between Gosnold and the Student Center and the sidewalk between Gosnold and the greenhouse (the path to Santoro Hall and Harbor Lights) are usually bad.

"I'd rather look at an ugly drain than this," he said.

2000 to 2005: My parking history

A senior recounts her experience that starts and ends in gravel

By ELIZABETH SCHILLING
Contributing Writer

Much is said about parking on this campus, usually in the form of complaints. I have a unique history of parking on this campus and I have found one constant. I cannot win. It appears no matter what my status, class or where I live, I am always a step behind the latest parking policies.

I began my parking history in August of 2000 when I did not have a car. I had a bicycle that I never needed to lock in front of Santoro. My roommate Sophie had a car and parking decals were \$100 for the year.

This was also the first year we had more than one residence hall, so where people could park was a highly contested debate.

It was the policy then, to have commuter students as close as possible to classes, so they had the best parking spaces.

Resident students were only allowed the parking lot near James River, Lot C, Lot U and a gravel lot behind what was Ferguson High School. In the middle of that first semester, a parking class line was drawn.

Upperclassmen living in James River complained there were not enough spots for them close to James River and wanted all of the freshmen cars out of Lot C.

The upperclassmen argued that as having a more senior status, they deserved this parking perk. One morning, we

Santoro Hall dwellers awoke to new signs marking all of Lot C to have an orange JR on the signs. The upperclassmen thought they won.

The freshmen residents rallied and cited it was unfair they should pay full price for a parking decal, yet only be relegated to gravel parking. All they wanted was paved parking available to them.

So, the last third of little Lot C was newly designated James River Hall and Santoro Hall. Other than that, it was Lot U, or the hike to Timbuktu that was Ferguson.

Now I know what you all are thinking, freshmen can't even have cars first semester now, and that you have it harder.

Yes, it is true all you who are new no longer have the parking woes first semester on top of adjusting to parking. Instead, it appears the administration just moved your buildings closer to your classes.

But my parking story is not through. The following year I moved to East Campus, and was one of the first residents of Barclay. I finally had a beat up 1986 Ford Taurus to call my own and once again, to my dismay, it was my sneakers that were wearing out. For no sooner had I moved across campus and acquired a vehicle that I was back on my bicycle pedaling around classes.

The new rule was that East Side residents could not park on main campus until after 3 p.m. The following year my room-

mates and I moved into CNU Apartments. When my Ford Taurus died that previous summer, I chose not to try to have a vehicle for school since it really wasn't going to do me much good.

I had classes during the day and work in the evening on campus. Since my car couldn't be there but after 3 p.m., if I could find a parking spot, it didn't seem like I'd be saving myself much trouble.

In fact, at that point, a car seemed to be more trouble!

So the year after that, my senior year, I became a commuter. I thought surely, now, as a commuter, I would finally have those nice parking spots just a few seconds walk from the building. I had made it!

And of course, that year I had classes all in the evening when it didn't even matter.

And my parking story finally comes to a close this year, my fifth year (I've had four major changes, and right on track to graduate May of 2005).

And this morning, I drove all around campus for 15 minutes, trying to find a parking spot remotely close to Ratcliffe.

The closest ended up being Lot H, by the library, clear across campus. So, jogging to my Public Policy analysis class it dawned on me my parking life had come full circle here at CNU. I started CNU in 2000, only able to park on gravel, and I will finish CNU in 2005 with nothing to be found but gravel.

King's dream included decent wages

By HOLLY SKLAR
Knight-Ridder Tribune

Did you know that raising the minimum wage was a demand of the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his "I Have a Dream" speech?

King, A. Philip Randolph of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and other leaders of the 1963 March on Washington demanded "a national minimum-wage act that will give all Americans a decent standard of living."

They didn't dream that four decades later, the value of the minimum wage would go down as the cost of housing, food, health care and other necessities went up.

They didn't dream that four decades later, 36 million Americans would be below the official poverty line — far below a decent standard of living.

They didn't dream that four decades later, the black poverty rate would still be triple that of whites.

At the time of the march in 1963, the minimum wage was \$7.80 an hour, adjusting for inflation in 2004 dollars.

Today's minimum wage is far lower — just \$5.15 an hour.

The minimum wage reached its peak value in 1968, the year King was assassinated.

Full-time, year-round minimum wage workers made \$18,262 in 1968, adjusting for inflation. Today's full-time minimum wage workers make just \$10,712 a year.

Business Week observed last year in a cover story on the working poor, "Today more than 28 million people, about a quarter of the workforce between the ages of 18 and 64, earn less than \$9.04 an hour, which translates into a full-time salary of \$18,800 a year — the income that marks the federal poverty line for a family of four."

One out of three black workers earns less than \$9.04 an hour — barely above the value of the minimum wage of 1968.

Certainly, King didn't dream that four decades after the March on Washington, the U.S. Conference of Mayors would find in its annual "Hunger and Homelessness Survey" that 17 percent of the homeless were employed, as were 34 percent of adults requesting emergency food assistance.

The last minimum-wage increases in 1996-97 were followed by rising incomes and falling poverty and unemployment nationwide.

Yet Congress has had seven

pay raises since 1997, when the minimum increased to \$5.15, while approving none for minimum-wage workers. This month, congressional pay rose to \$162,100 — way up from \$133,600 in 1997. That cumulative \$28,500 congressional pay hike is more than the total earnings of two minimum wage workers.

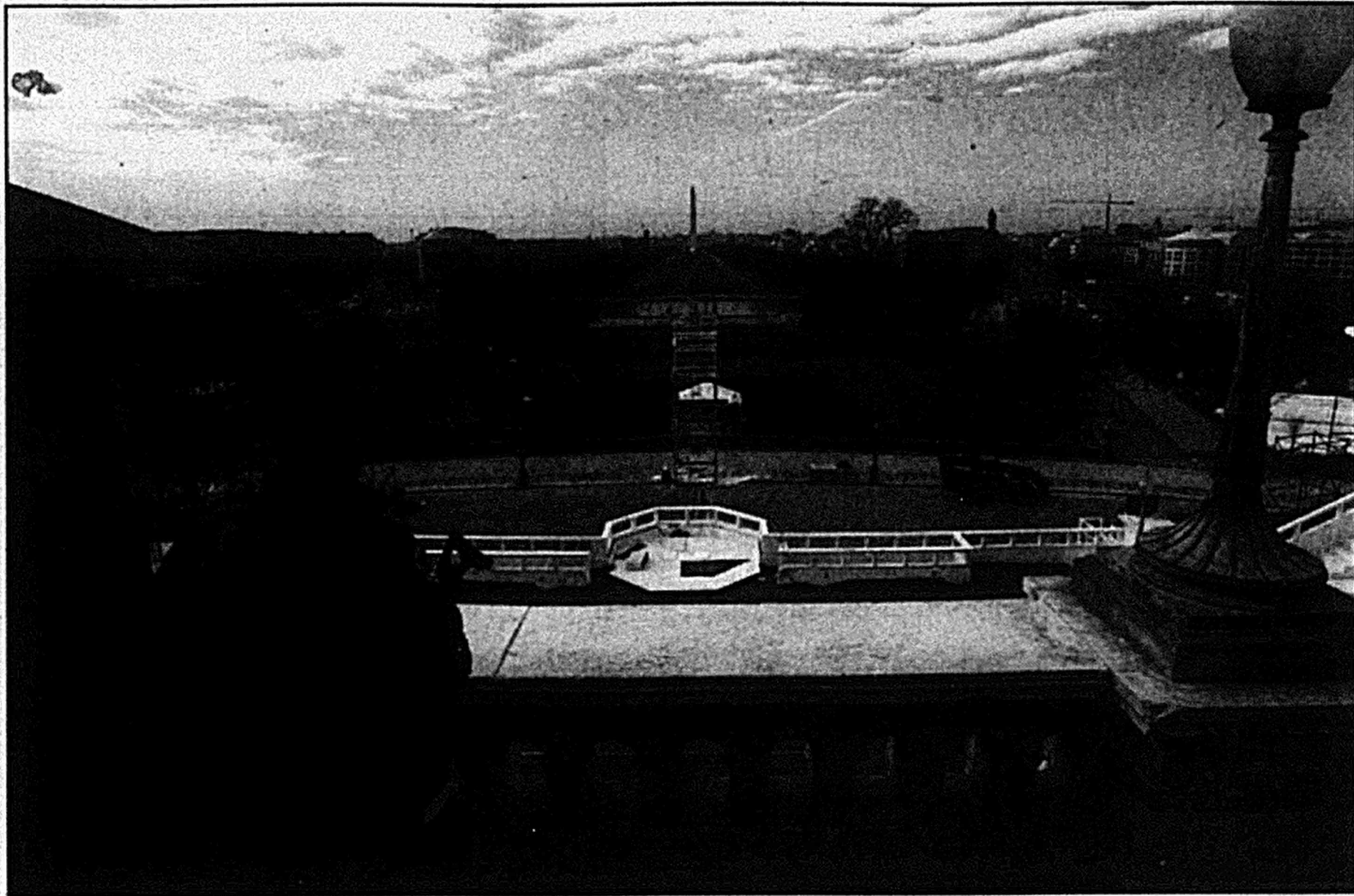
At the time of the 1963 March on Washington, members of Congress earned nine times the pay of minimum-wage workers.

Now, they earn 15 times as much. To reverse that growing gap, Congress should tie their pay raises to raises in the minimum wage.

Georgia Congressman John Lewis, a leader of the March on Washington, has said if King were alive, "he would be in the forefront of reminding the government that its first concern should be the basic needs of its citizens — not just black Americans but all Americans — for food, shelter, health care, education, jobs, livable incomes and the opportunity to realize their full potential."

Congress and the White House should stop taking a holiday from King's dream and enact "a national minimum wage act that will give all Americans a decent standard of living."

World and Nation



A U.S. Capitol Police officer keeps watch over the inauguration event site, in Washington, D.C., Jan. 10, 2005, in preparation for the inauguration of President George W. Bush. The nation's 55th inauguration—and the first since the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks—will lock down much of downtown Washington with over 8,500 police and military personnel.

Unprecedented security set for presidential inauguration

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
The Dallas Morning News

WASHINGTON — Anti-aircraft battery units and combat air patrols will search the skies as rooftop sharpshooters scan the streets below; Coast Guard cutters will ply the Potomac and Anacostia rivers and bomb-sniffing dogs will patrol the subway system.

Next week's 55th presidential inaugural—the first of the post-Sept. 11 era—and occurring against the backdrop of war, will offer an unprecedented level of security for the swearing-in of a U.S. president.

Six thousand law enforcement officers, 2,500 military personnel and countless other federal, state and local officials will be part of an intricate—some say stifling—security blanket that has been nearly a year in the making.

The security force is augmented by a high-tech arsenal that includes sniffers to detect chemical and biological hazards, bomb jammers and a network of surveillance cameras fixed on downtown, bolstered by video feeds from helicopters. A hundred-square-block area stretching from the White House to the Capitol and beyond will be off-limits to traffic on Thursday.

Inauguration Day, and pedestrians in barricaded zones will have to go through metal detectors at 22 checkpoints.

Manhole covers are being sealed, ventilation ducts secured and security teams will sweep hotels, offices and residential buildings that line the parade route. And while deliveries are being discouraged within the restricted areas, vehicles that must enter will be scanned by X-ray portals.

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— Secret Service Director
Ralph Basham

"Our goal is that any attempt on the part of anyone or any group to disrupt the inaugural will be repelled by multiple layers of security," Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said.

Demonstrators coming to town to protest President Bush, the war in Iraq and other policies contend that some security measures are aimed less at terrorists than at suppressing dissent and keeping critics far removed from the president.

"They are trying to make a very big issue out of security, and we think part of that is to keep people away," said Bill Hackwell of the anti-war A.N.S.W.E.R. Coalition.

"Over half the country is opposed to this war, and we think that Bush should not be allowed to sort of sanitize Pennsylvania Avenue from dissent."

Ridge, D.C. Police Chief Charles Ramsey and other law enforcement officials play down the protest angle, focusing their attention on the terrorism possibility.

Although U.S. officials have not detected any specific inaugural threat, Ridge said authorities cannot let down their guard during an event he called "the most visible manifestation of our democracy."

The first inaugural since the Sept. 11 attacks "obviously raises security concerns that we didn't have to contend with in the past," Ramsey said.

Security will be choreographed from two locations: A joint military command center at Fort McNair in Washington and a state-of-the-art location in Herndon, Va., 25 miles northwest of town, manned by representatives of 50 federal, state and local agencies under the leadership of the Secret Service.

Law enforcement officials from 60 departments around the country are coming to supplement the D.C. police force, with the city footing an overtime bill that D.C. Administrator Robert Bobb estimated would exceed \$11 million.

Ridge said he could not assess the federal tab for security, saying it would be in the millions.

Only some of the security will be visible to the estimated 250,000 people who will witness Bush's oath-taking and the half-million expected to line Pennsylvania Avenue for the procession from the Capitol to the White House.

"When everyone gets on the ground here, a lot of the security that you'll see, a lot of it will be in the background," said Maj. Gen. Galen Jackman, who is coordinating the military's security and ceremonial roles. "I don't think that people will notice a kind of encampment mentality here."

Heightened security is omnipresent in a city scarred by

the Sept. 11 terrorist strikes, the anthrax-by-mail attacks, a ricin scare on Capitol Hill and the ever-present knowledge that Washington is a symbolic target to terrorists. U.S. Capitol Police patrol the grounds around the Capitol with assault rifles; fences ring the Washington Monument; and massive concrete planters and barricades pop up around the city with regularity.

At Ridgewells, a catering firm juggling many inaugural events, workers have undergone background checks, submitted photos and obtained credentials to make deliveries in the restricted zones. Caterers have been ordered to deliver all equipment the night before the inaugural, with food deliveries completed by 7 a.m. Thursday.

"Security has always been tight for inaugurals, but it is a little bit tighter," said Susan Niemann, a Ridgewells principal. "For the most part, we are coping with it."

Some law firms and other businesses along Pennsylvania say they are scaling back their entertaining because of logistics difficulties.

Though the security is unprecedented for an inaugural, planners say the measures aren't as sweeping as those undertaken last year for the national political conventions, the World War II memorial designation and the G-8 Summit in Georgia.

Since Sept. 11, federal, state and local law enforcement have worked ever more closely on major events and they say they're building on that template of co-operation.

"We all take great pride in not only being prepared for, but also several steps ahead of, any possible emergency or threat," Secret Service Director Ralph Basham said.

Experts predict attack on internet in near future

By BRIAN KLADKO
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

HACKENSACK, N.J.—Don't say we didn't warn you: At some point in the next decade, there will be a "devastating attack" on the Internet or power grid.

That scenario was deemed most plausible by 1,300 technology experts and scholars in a survey released Sunday by the Pew Internet & American Life Project. Other predictions that drew the most agreement:

We'll be watched more closely by government and businesses through computing devices embedded in clothes, appliances, cars and phones.

Most students will spend part of their day in "virtual classes," grouped online with others who share their abilities and interests.

And the boundaries between work and leisure will be blurred, in other words, expect to hear from your boss anytime, anywhere.

Although the Internet was technically born in 1969 as a plaything of computer scientists, it only became accessible to the mainstream a decade ago. Since then, it has insinuated itself in our daily lives.

The handwritten letter has become quaint, millions of young music lovers have grown accustomed to free music (even if it's illegal), and more than a few marriages have been forged from dates hatched online.

So what's coming in the next 10 years?

Pew, along with Elon University in North Carolina, sought the opinions of people—both in the United States and abroad—who know the Internet intimately or think about it a lot. About half of them were Internet pioneers, having been online before 1993.

Of the experts surveyed by Pew in the fall, 66 percent agreed that the Internet or power grid would be successfully attacked. Only 18 percent disagreed or challenged the prediction.

Former CIA Director Robert Gates, speaking at a terrorism conference last month, said cyberterrorism could be the most potent weapon of mass destruction and could cripple the U.S. economy.

"When a teenage hacker in the Philippines can wreak \$10 billion in damage to the U.S. economy by implanting a virus, imagine what a sophisticated, well-funded effort to attack the computer base of our economy could accomplish," he said.

The survey let people define what would constitute a "devastating" attack—would it mean millions of people having to forgo e-mail, instant messaging and Web surfing for a few hours, or would it mean human casualties?

"If we include economic devastation, it's inevitable that we'll see a number of companies and industries upended," wrote Alexandra Samuel, a writer and consultant and author of a dissertation at Harvard University about politically motivated hacking. "If we mean devastating in the sense of directly causing loss of life or injury, it's much harder to predict."

Intensified surveillance by government or business, and more arrests as a result, was foreseen by 59 percent of the experts.

Some said they would welcome that development; others seemed to dread it.

"There will be greater surveillance, probably; greater arrests, maybe. But this is a chilling prospect overall," wrote J. Scott Marcus, the senior adviser for Internet technology at the Federal Communications Commission.

Although many people have been predicting that the Internet would transform schools, it has yet to become much more than a research tool. Nevertheless, 57 percent agreed that most students by 2014 will receive some of their knowledge through videoconferencing or online chats typed out on a keyboard—otherwise known as "distance learning."

The notion that the Internet will alter family life through home schooling and telecommuting drew agreement from 56 percent of the experts. Harry Jenkins, a professor of literature and comparative media studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, wrote that people are already sensing the changes.

"For the most part," he wrote, "they are very nervous about a world where it is impossible to escape the office and where they face growing competition for their children's attention."

Elon University has also invited the general public, however inexperienced they may be about the Internet, to share their predictions about the Internet and its impact on society. Allen Appar, the information technology manager for Clifton (N.J.) Savings Bank, foresees a day when access to any computer will be controlled by biometrics—the particular physical traits of the user. Aaron Ratzan, a 23-year-old from East Brunswick, N.J., who was using the Internet in the late 1980s, thinks wireless connections will be pervasive, not just limited to "hot spots." But he also posted a darker, retrograde vision, which he said was only "half a joke":

"Somewhere, something will malfunction—it will cause a massive electromagnetic burst that will shut down people's communications devices and electronic equipment. It will reset worldwide communication back to where it was in the early 1800s."

Women are key to small villages surviving tragedy

By KEN MORITSUGU
Knight Ridder Newspapers

LAM KUTA, Indonesia — As the wall of water rushed in, Yusnadi, a 38-year-old elementary school teacher, grabbed his three children, put them on his motorcycle and sped off.

It was too late. A torrent carrying ripped-up trees slammed into them from behind. The water swept Yusnadi along for nearly two miles, but he survived. He never saw his children again, nor his wife, who was fleeing on foot.

Relief officials believe that because so few women and children survived, it will be all but impossible to reconstruct the villages that the tsunami washed away.

In Yusnadi's village of Lam Kuta, about 30 miles south of the city of Banda Aceh, only 48 of the 600 residents survived.

Among the survivors, just four are women and none are children.

Yusnadi, who has a thin scar running from his right ear to the middle of his forehead and a gauze bandage wrapped around his foot, explains the situation.

"It is difficult to go home since we don't have any families," he says.

"All the men lost their wives. Now, we're just a group of individuals with nowhere to go."

Of the 28 villages in Lhong, only four escaped unscathed. Nearly half of the population of 11,812 is dead or presumed dead.

"There's nothing we can do about it," he said.

Further inland, stronger houses withstood the torrent, while weaker ones were picked up and deposited in a pile of debris.

In one such village, Lam Geurieu, residents returned on Wednesday to salvage lumber and pieces of corrugated metal roofs. In Lam Kuta, there's nothing to salvage, least of all a community.

A lone man walks across the flattened landscape, a machete in hand to crack open fallen coconuts for a drink during his daily four-mile journey to pick up food at a government center and carry it back to his village.

Another man, Fajri Rahman, looks out vacantly in the distance to the sea, across the destruction that once was his village.

Then, he tears up, shielding his face with his black, gold-embroidered kopyah, the formal Indonesian headwear, and then his hand.

"I can't stand to see it," the 47-year-old government pharmacist said.

He and his two teenage daughters were driving to Banda Aceh when the earthquake struck.

They managed to escape to higher land when they saw the tsunami coming.

"Maybe this place will be developed in the next two or three generations," he said, standing in the midst of his destroyed home, "but not for now."

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*Weekly Horoscope
For January 16-22*

By Lasha Seniuk
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

ARIES (March 21-April 20) Business partnerships may this week enter a brief period of intense negotiations. Over the next 7 days watch for new time or financial restrictions. Key officials will be temperamental: if possible, avoid bold public statements or fast explanations. Late Friday a close friend may criticize loved ones, challenge new ideas or ask probing questions. Romantic history, past alliances or complex social dynamics will soon demand detailed description. Don't hesitate: clarity is needed.

TAURUS (April 21-May 20) Close friendships will this week experience minor tensions. Over the next 4 days group loyalty, canceled plans or recent social disappointments may require detailed discussion: react quickly to all comments, inquiries or suggestions. A recent stage of distrust needs to fade: expect friends or lovers to express deep feelings and compete for your attention. After Thursday business contracts and financial negotiations work in your favor. Stay focused: there's much to consider.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) Revised paperwork and new regulations may this week require diplomacy: over the next few days carefully examine money habits and financial obligations. By mid-week new employment proposals demand decision: expect team projects and social acceptance to offer tangible but slow rewards. Some Geminis may also be asked to act as leader. If so, workplace politics may prove insurmountable. Ask for assistance: your ability to involve others will be appreciated.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) Unique career paths are now intriguing: after Tuesday watch for friends or relatives to reclaim lost business dreams or return to uncompleted projects. Workplace diplomacy will soon provide valuable new beginnings: offer support, guidance and continuing respect. Wednesday through Saturday also highlight unexpected romantic overtures. Someone close may wish to explore new levels of intimacy, trust or affection. Respond with caution: private tensions may be unavoidable.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 22) Colleagues and officials will this week notice your past efforts and personal style; after Tuesday respond honestly to unusual overtures for your expertise and advice. Some Leos, especially those born after 1962, may also encounter fast financial proposals: if so, thoroughly check all facts, dates and figures. Later this week a minor disagreement between friends may quickly escalate. If possible, avoid subtle romantic discussions, social gossip or group speculation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Over the next 7 days loved ones may express restlessness, irritation or social isolation. At the same time that long-term relations are deepening, fresh social or romantic attractions may compete for your attention. Remain philosophic and avoid quick decisions: revised information will soon clarify the value of long-term commitments. After Thursday family tensions will fade. Ask loved ones to participate in new social plans or group activities: you won't be disappointed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) New business alternatives will arrive early this week; after Tuesday watch for written permissions or uniquely creative contracts. Recently unanswered questions will no longer be bothersome: pace yourself and let others define their own workplace roles. Wednesday through Saturday accent romantic triangles and strained relations between friends. Carefully consider the needs and expectations of all involved: at present, emotional complications may quickly escalate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Social disagreements may soon involve family politics, parent/child power struggles or the emotional obligations of loved ones. Over the next 7 days conflicting values, traditional roles and daily duties may be intense topics: remain patient and avoid strong statements. Later this week workplace methods inspire public debate. Friends and co-workers may openly question the wisdom of officials. If so, remain quietly detached: new ideas will not be easily accepted.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Late messages or sudden cancellations may cause tension over the next few days: before mid-week watch for family obligations to be complicated by new social demands. Loved ones are this week easily influenced by public pressure: expect scattered promises and vague responses. Thursday through Saturday mistakes from the past may reappear. In the coming weeks business obligations will expand: expect key officials to verify records, clarify duties and assign new titles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) Travel plans or last minute news may soon be revised: before Wednesday watch for home events to be cancelled or postponed. Be diplomatic: unavoidable circumstances should not be taken personally. After mid-week physical vitality returns: skin, upper chest and throat are accented. Some Capricorns, especially those born early in January, may also encounter a dramatic romantic proposal. Stay dedicated to reliable progress: passions will be high.

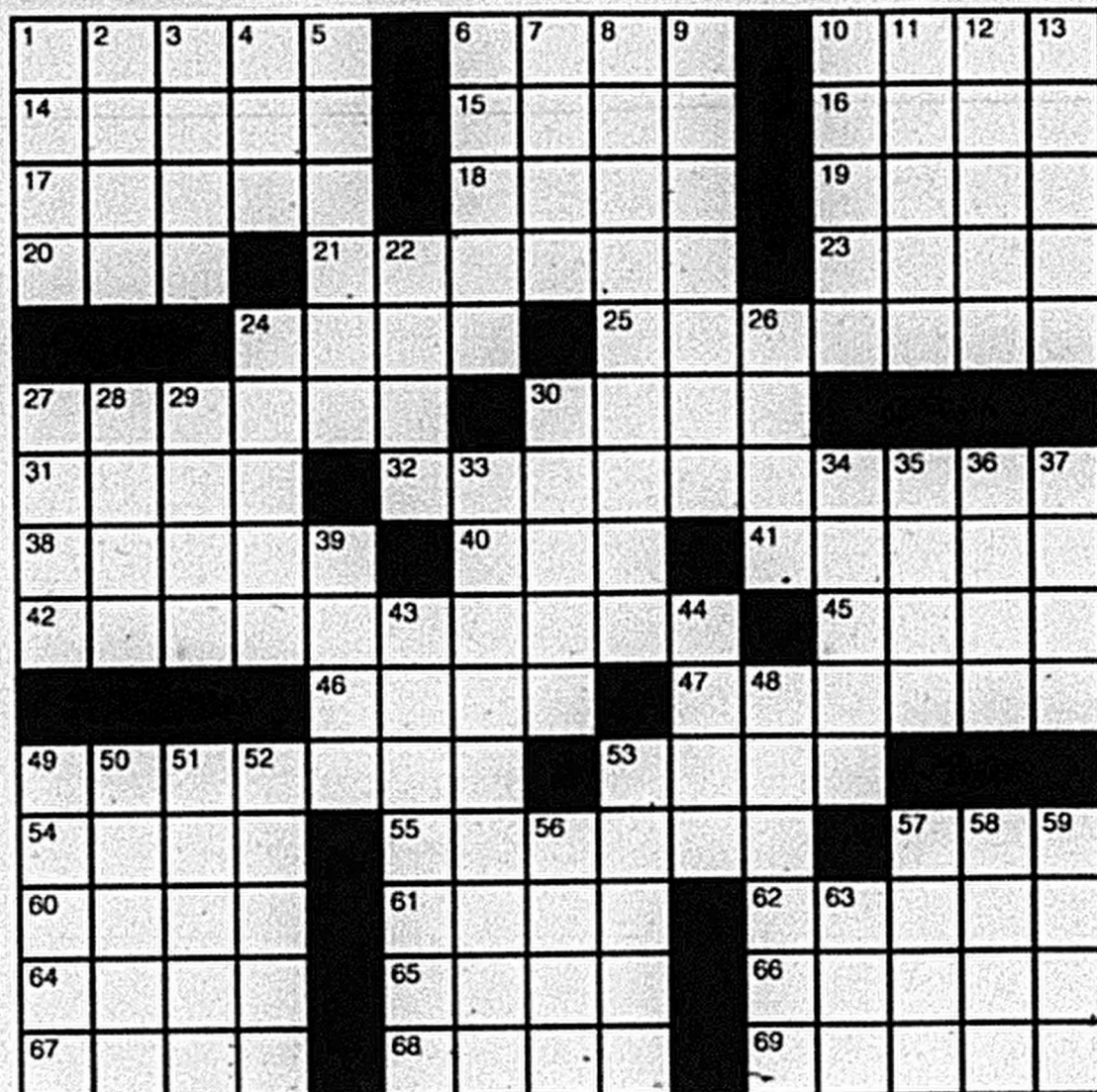
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Relatives and friends may this week be restless or easily irritated: over the next 7 days expect subtle criticisms or unusual requests for social clarity. Areas affected are romantic promises, family obligations or disappointing decisions. Restate the obvious and wait for progress: at present, loved ones need extra encouragement. After Saturday rest and enjoy quiet times with trusted companions. A demanding week: avoid confrontation and watch for positive change.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Workplace confidence is now on the rise: expect difficult assignments to be completed over the next 4 days. Some Pisceans may also be asked to act as team leader or group advisor. Wait, however, for managers or officials to offer direction: this is not the right time to review or criticize past projects. After Friday loved ones may suggest unusual group events: unique entertainment and artistic creativity are highlighted. Remain open: your attitude will be closely scrutinized.

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK: Business officials may suddenly cancel key projects. Before February 9th planetary alignments suggest that rules, business regulations or workplace expectations may need to be redefined. Much of this will initiate almost 7 months of fast employment changes, revised hiring practices and increased financial rewards. Remain publicly dedicated to group accomplishment and all will be well. After mid-April watch also for a series of important romantic or family decisions to arrive. Many Capricorns will this year find it necessary to choose between lasting commitment and exotic attraction. Carefully consider the feelings of friends, relatives and companions: by late June loved ones will expect bold public statements and clear signals of your long-term plans.

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Military muddle
 - Winners' takes
 - Ego
 - Continental cash
 - Scary monster
 - Not quite closed
 - Au revoir!
 - Patron saint of Norway
 - Actress Olin
 - Afternoon affair
 - Ebb
 - Read quickly
 - Jacob's first wife
 - Hit-or-miss
 - Removes fleeces
 - Patella's place
 - Drying oven
 - Exercise devices
 - Runs in neutral
 - Cured meat
 - Nose into
 - Child's toy weapon
 - Buffalo's lake
 - Concludes
 - Add on
 - Bowl over
 - Violent public disorder
 - Storage building
 - Acquiescence
 - Cushion
 - Pepsi or Coke
 - Iranian currency
 - Going solo
 - Pub drinks
 - Take the plunge
 - Savor
 - Talk wildly
 - State of irritation
 - Earth tone
- DOWN**
- Do an usher's job
 - Naked
 - Met highlight
 - Opponent
 - Loan shark
 - Family dog
 - Gawk at
 - Corporate ID
 - Cut off
 - Chip dip
 - Bail out
 - Veranda
 - Former French currency unit
 - River of NYC
 - Highway divisions
 - Radiation units
 - Quick hop
 - Go underground
 - Cinders of comics
 - "Ode on a Grecian Urn" poet
 - Zimbabwean, once
 - Awkward
 - Traditional wisdom
 - Cut of meat
 - Drove too fast
 - Mets' park
 - Ahead
 - Kind of check?



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- Edible tuber
- Academy Award
- One of the strings
- Actress Barkin
- Cook with dry heat
- Sublease
- Rani's wrap
- Classy
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A College Girl Named Joe

By Aaron Warner



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Arts & Entertainment

DeLuca hypnotizes a standing-room crowd

By ERIN ROLL
Contributing Writer

"We shouldn't have promoted so hard," Tom DeLuca joked to a packed audience in the Gaines Theater Friday night. The theater had been filled to standing room only in anticipation of DeLuca's nationally acclaimed hypnotism act.

DeLuca, who has appeared on "Good Morning America" and has been written up in People and Rolling Stone, delighted, amused and astounded the audience with a long series of imaginative mind games, with the help of several volunteers selected from the audience.

DeLuca first assured the audience that he wasn't going to make them cluck like chickens, or do any of the other stunts that the public associates with hypnotists.

"Tonight's show is all about the power of seduction, and your imagination," he explained. He also promised "lots of fun."

To begin, DeLuca had a volunteer come on stage to assist him with a magic-trick-type game. The helper selected a page at random from a copy of the Daily Press, and tore it in halves, then quarters, then eighths.

DeLuca then took one of the eighths, tore it in half and asked the helper which piece would be discarded. The process was then repeated, on and on until a tiny bit of newspaper was left.

Earlier, DeLuca had predicted that there would be a whole word on that tiny piece, and that word would be "and," "or," or "the," which he had written on a manila envelope taped to a nearby chair. The word on the newspaper was "short" — which had been written on the back of the manila envelope.

That, in retrospect, might have been the most ordinary part of the show, compared to what came next. Twenty volunteers were then chosen out of the many audience members begging to be chosen. The volunteers seated themselves in the chairs set up onstage for them.

DeLuca instructed the volunteers to go limp and men-



During hypnotist Tom DeLuca's Friday show, volunteers Gemma Smith, sophomore, and Mike Dom, junior, performed outlandish tasks to the delight of a packed audience.

tally count backwards by 3's, to put them into a trance. As music played, he kept speaking to them, telling them to go "deeper and deeper into sleep, deeper and deeper into your imagination," over and over again, while telling them to concentrate only on the sound of his voice.

After several minutes, the volunteers were made to visualize their ideal vacation, their "warm blue dream vacation," as DeLuca put it. This included relaxing on a boat or beach and going deep-sea fishing. The audience found this greatly amusing.

Then the volunteers visualized driving in a brand-new Ferrari, and the activities associated therewith, including giving the middle finger to a traffic cop, and going to an graphic 3-D horror movie, as narrated by DeLuca. By this time, the audience was howling with laughter.

Next, the opportunity to consume a quart of the greatest

ice cream ever tasted ... in 30 seconds. Then sniff the most delightful fragrance ever created. For this one, volunteers began sniffing and groping at their neighbors' shoulders, supposedly the source of the fragrance. And on and on it went.

Halfway through the show, DeLuca introduced a new routine, while the volunteers were bent over forward in a "sleep" position.

DeLuca would tap certain people on the head, and when given specific cues, those people would say or do something amusing.

At one moment, the volunteers were told to visualize the audience wearing just their underwear. After cringing visibly, and after some male students in the center section were done flaunting, the volunteers had to pretend that they were the ones in a state of undress.

Most of them proceeded to hide behind the chairs or wrap

themselves up in the stage curtain, but four of the boys proceeded to flaunt themselves, Full Monty-style, for the audience.

During the course of the evening, sophomore Gemma Smith was made to do a variety of things. She had to pretend that she was an incurable chocoholic who, for some bizarre reason, could not get the crushed Snickers bar in her hand to go into her mouth. She also had to forget the existence of the number six.

"What's three plus three?" DeLuca asked.

"Seven," Smith said. After similar mathematical exchanges, she groaned, "I mean, I'm in college. I know this."

Smith also, whenever DeLuca said "Christopher Newport," had to yell out "Who's your daddy?"

Justin Sease, a junior, was told to play Doubting Thomas whenever DeLuca claimed he was a magician. He and several others had to act like there was

music playing inside their shoes. Sease also had to play the part of a top secret agent assigned to track down and shoot DeLuca with a water pistol specially provided for that purpose.

Amanda Altizer, a freshman, was one of three girls who put some rather shameful moves on one of the stage assistants.

She also had to pretend that she was Britney Spears; as "Oops I Did It Again" played on the stereo as she swiveled, teased and grounded her hips across the stage and through the audience, singing along using one of the microphones.

All through these acts, the audience continued laughing, shrieking and making smart-alecky comments and, at the end, showed their appreciation for DeLuca and the volunteers with a hearty round of applause.

Rules of the road for new campus drivers

By JON PAGE
Contributing Writer

I hope everyone has had a pleasant return to the pleasant campus of Christopher Newport University. I am sure there are a few hundred freshmen who are much happier in their mobile state, and no I don't mean that they got a cell phone for Christmas.

With the second semester comes springtime, gym trips to prepare for the beach and freshmen with cars. So for the first column of the semester, I feel it would be appropriate to give freshmen, along with all other CNU drivers, 10 tips/parables to succeed in your on-campus driving ventures.

1. "Let on-campus driving expand your horizons." There is so much campus to explore, so hop in that VW bug and make it happen, cap'n. By the time you're headed down the Avenue for the Arts you will feel better than you do after a good Queen concert. But Queen doesn't exist anymore? Who cares?

2. "Traffic circles are fun!" Oh yes they are. And if you drive around them fast enough, you can save yourself money on car insurance in 15 minutes by calling Gei... I mean you can save money on pricey Busch Gardens tickets.

3. "You can practice parallel parking for those fun beach trips." Right ... just make sure there isn't anything yellow next to your car lest ye olde parking services layeth thee with a beheading in the square!

4. "There are some great views to check out at CNU." And my personal favorite is right when you pass the parking garage and see the beautiful tarp that has been laid upon the library. The blue gives me pride every time, and it will do the same for you.

5. "Speed humps are better than speed bumps." Well, a bad person might put some sort of sexual innuendo in here, but I am not a bad person. I just want to put it out there that when I drive, I prefer a long, gradual hump to a stiff, firm bump on the road. That's all there is to it.

6. "You can roll the windows down and let the breeze catch your hair." It's a great plan! With the lovely 30-degree temperature swings, you can go from "sweatin' to the oldies" to "baby, it's cold outside" in no time! And speaking of good tunes...

7. "Put on a good tune." You are about to experience on-campus driving at CNU. How could you do this without a rousing anthem of chipper sunny frivolousness? Try some big band tunes from the depression era; they're meant to cheer you up! Just be aware that because we have SUCH a diverse campus at CNU, your musical notes will have to blend in with those of others.

8. "Don't go down Prince Drew Road after dark." It's the truth, you do not want to take this on. To begin with, part of Prince Drew Road is not on-campus, and that would extinguish your fun. Also, it isn't well lit, so it will make your Toyota Corolla or similar model glow in ways it never has before. This could have scary results.

9. "A fine item of cuisine can make the trip." My personal favorite would be a to-go box from Regatta's or Harbor Lights. Just make sure to let it sit for a nice 10-15 minutes so that all the grease will firm up and make a nice congealed salad to add to your dish.

10. "Have a friend tag along, it will make your time twice as fun!" I would never tour campus alone. Only with a friend. Especially after dark. Especially around the Warwick River Apartments. Never. Ever.

So there you go freshmen and the like: ten tips that are sure to ensure a good driving trip on-campus. Just remember to take it easy and don't harass the construction workers. They never did anything to you, I hope.

Friending, poking, social networking: TheFacebook arrives at CNU

By AMBER LESTER
Arts and Entertainment Editor

In retrospect, it seems hard to believe that this was the first week of the semester. I can barely recall my classes or the homework I have already completed; I can remember, however, how many of you I am now linked to through The Facebook (1,216 as of Monday).

Since its Jan. 12 launch date at CNU, The Facebook has swept through seemingly the entire student body. The Facebook is a Web site that functions as an online community for colleges, allowing any student enrolled at the school to join and browse the faces and profiles of their peers.

I first heard about Facebook from my friends at the University of Virginia and New York University. "Oh, you HAVE to get it," they would say. "It's the greatest stalking tool ever."

Their descriptions seemed interesting, but I don't think I fully realized the power that now lays a click away. Need someone's cell number? No problem, it's probably on The Facebook. If not, you can always just go to their dorm, or — what

the hell — add their Screen name and check their away message. A little creepy? Yes. But that didn't stop the 1,216 of us who are signed up. CNU is one of the safest campuses in the state.

Anyone new to the site automatically spots the "Poke me" function and has

to wonder, "How is this properly used?"

The assumption is that getting poked and poking back is a fun form of flirtation, but do any of us honestly know what it means? And what happens when we each receive the inevitable poke from a total stranger?

Right now, in its earliest stages, Facebook etiquette is a little confusing. To confirm a friend that is really actually just someone you had study group with freshman year seems better than clicking "reject." Now

that's just harsh! And really, isn't this all about building your social network?

Speaking of the social network, make sure to click "Visualize Friends." A handy map pops up, drawing lines from all your variously connected friends. It seems that there

will always be a person over in the corner who is connected to you and no one else.

Don't worry — it's only a matter of time before they will be further connected by another line and continue making the coolest circle/star/abstract line art ever.

It may have been a teensy bit disastrous to have this launch the first week of second semester. Procrastinating was already a problem, but now this is hours of distraction. We're just all so

enthused by a Web site that confirms our real life friends are really our friends, and that they have friends who have friends who know our other friends.

What will really be interesting is when people start recognizing others from the Facebook. I will guarantee more than a few double takes as people realize, "Hey, that's the guy from the Dudes Looking for Dudes group!"

As with AIM, Live Journal and Friendster, Facebook is altering the way young people interact. Gone are the days when people actually met in their dorm, chatted a couple times, maybe watched a movie and suddenly were an item.

Forget that; now just click on the name of your dorm and watch as all the potential spooning partners (also check out the multiple spooning groups) appear, each interested in anything from random play to a relationship.

There's a cute guy or girl in your biology lab? One visit to Facebook will tell you if Mr. or Ms. Hottie McHotterson is looking for love or already attached. Personally, I'm waiting for the fallout, when members go

from "in a relationship with ..." to "single." This could bring whole new meaning to "stalker exes."

Facebook is not completely devoted to stalking or random play, however; it is also a tool for joining ridiculous clubs! The student body of CNU has shown that not only are we excited to find people with common interests, but we're also excited to create hilarious group names.

Talk about bringing a campus closer together: Napoleon Dynamite is possibly the single greatest unifier in the school, aside from hatred for CNU's Internet. Some groups are formed simply on a sentiment, such as my personal favorite, "I'm Only a Freshman but I Already Lost that Penny We're Supposed to Throw in the Fountain when We Graduate."

Whether for good or for evil, Facebook is going to bring us all closer together. And possibly ruin our grade point averages. But, hey, at least we can start a "Facebook Put Me on Academic Probation" group, right?

El Mariachi brings authentic 'South of the Border' tastes at affordable prices

By ALIYA ALTAFULLAH
Captain's Log Intern

Tired of going to the same Mexican restaurants around town all the time? Want to try something different but still affordable? Well then El Mariachi's Mexican Cantina is the place for you! El Mariachi's offers friendly service, great food and is undoubtedly one of Newport News' best-kept secrets.

The small and lively looking restaurant is less than two miles from campus and can be spotted easily with its bright lights and festive decorations.

The menu at El Mariachi's offers every type of Mexican dish you can think of. From appetizers to combo meals, no matter what you're craving, El Mariachi's has it.

The prices are also amazing; a couple can eat a full meal for less than \$20. Appetizers at El Mariachi's are between \$1.75 and \$5.75 and include everything from chicken soup to a mile-high platter of nachos.

Dinner entrees are even more extensive than that. If you're not in the mood to be daring, I recommend their chicken quesadillas or the "Steak A La Mexicana." The quesadilla



shells are perfectly crisp on the outside and the melted cheese and the hot chicken filling inside will get you hooked.

Their combo deals are also extremely affordable. For less than \$7, you can mix and match up to three different items, including burritos, chalupas, tacos and more.

If you're not in the mood for a lot of food, order off El Mariachi's a la carte menu. They

even have a vegetarian section. No matter what your taste buds desire or what kind of appetite you've got, El Mariachi's will work to accommodate whatever your stomach is craving.

Flavorful Mexican dishes aren't the only thing that El Mariachi's has to offer. The cantina and bar is also a great place to go for drink specials. Their happy hour deals offer 99 cents drafts until 7 p.m. and their "Grande" margaritas are less than \$6.

Dessert is also an ordeal at El Mariachi's. If you have a sweet tooth, definitely opt for the sopapillas — crisp flour shells drizzled with sweet honey and

served with sweet vanilla ice cream.

Overall, El Mariachi's is a great deal for your stomach and your wallet. The cantina is located at 660 J. Clyde Morris Boulevard in Newport News.

To get to El Mariachi's, just take a left on J. Clyde Morris from the campus and you'll find it about one and a half miles up on your left.

They are open till ten every day except the weekends when they close at 11 p.m. For other directions, questions, comments or take-out orders, call (757) 596-4933.

Who won and who should have won at Golden Globes

By AMBER LESTER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Some awards shows are devoted to movies, some devoted to television; some feature honorary awards and almost all of them feature P. Diddy. But only the Golden Globes has all of those features, honoring both film and television, while getting it's attendees (including the ever-present P. Diddy) drunk on champagne in the process.

Because the Hollywood Foreign Press sponsors the show, awards are not chosen by critics, fellow actors or even the public, leading to somewhat unpredictable results. Despite this, the show has become one of the most accurate barometers of how Oscar races will end.

Film

Best Picture (Drama)

What Actually Won: The Aviator
What Should Have Won:

Clint Eastwood's "Million Dollar Baby" was called "the best film released by a studio in Hollywood this year" in The New York Times, and has been praised all around for the performances of all three leads: Hilary Swank, Eastwood and Morgan

Freeman. What could be just a stereotypical underdog boxing flick is infused with heart, friendship and human emotion that completely defies Eastwood's tough guy image.

Best Picture (Comedy)

What Actually Won: Sideways
What Should Have Won:

Alexander Payne's "Sideways" is the unconventional Hollywood movie. It centers around four middle-aged actors, none of them botoxed or bronzed, who ponder friendship and love while drinking a lot of wine in the Napa Valley. But this atypical storyline is sweet, funny and terribly human.

Best Actor (Drama)

Who Actually Won: Leonardo DiCaprio
Who Should Have Won:

After "Titanic" buzz turned into hype and then, inevitably, overkill, the public seemed to easily forget that Leonardo DiCaprio is an incredibly talented actor. In "The Aviator," DiCaprio completely disappears on the screen and becomes movie mogul and aviation pioneer Howard Hughes, an old Hollywood womanizer with one deaf ear and psychological problems no one could understand.

Best Actor (Musical/Comedy)

Who Actually Won: Jamie Foxx
Who Should Have Won:

The journey from "In Living Color" to Golden Globe-winning actor has been a long one for Foxx, but his award is well-deserved. After impressive turns in "Ali" and "Collateral," the actor was granted the role of a lifetime: Ray Charles. Foxx did not just resemble Charles, but became him.

Best Actress (Comedy)

Who Actually Won: Annette Bening
Who Should Have Won:

After years spent in corsets and waists period films, including "Sense and Sensibility," "Quills," and "Finding Neverland," Kate Winslet was finally given the chance to really stretch in "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind." Playing the free-spirited Clementine, Winslet adopted an American accent, played manic to a relatively calm and morose Jim Carrey and dyed her hair on a whim.

Best Actress (Drama)

Who Actually Won: Hilary Swank
Who Should Have Won:

When Swank won an Oscar for her role in "Boys Don't

Cry," it somehow seemed a little premature for an actress best known for "Karate Kid 3." Now, six years later, Swank has proven herself every bit worthy of an Oscar, and maybe a second one, for her portrayal of a scrappy female boxer in "Million Dollar Baby."

Television

Drama

What Actually Won: Nip/Tuck
What Should Have Won:

In its second season, "Nip/Tuck" continues to be one of the most provocative and innovative shows on television. After losing the award to "24" last year, it seems only right to pass it on to the F/X drama.

Comedy

What Actually Won: Desperate Housewives
What Should Have Won:

With a quirky cast and deliciously offbeat humor, Fox's "Arrested Development" is one of the most consistently funny shows on television today. The jokes are subtle, the characters are richly developed, and the use of one camera and no laugh-track gives the show an entirely different feel from any other sitcom on television.



Hahn-Klayner/ABC Press

The ladies of ABC's Desperate Housewives won the award for best television comedy.

Mini-Series or Movie

What Actually Won: The Life and Death of Peter Sellers
What Should Have Won:

HBO's biopic features master impressionist Geoffrey Rush, known for his portrayal of the Marquis de Sade, as the tortured comic actor Peter Sellers, wide-

ly-loved for the "Pink Panther" movies and "Dr. Strangelove."

Read more Golden Globes commentary on www.cnn.com/captainslog.

Irish singer-songwriter Damien Rice's stateside debut is simplistic, intimate and deeply felt

By MIKE HILLEARY
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By most accounts, several years ago, Irish singer/songwriter Damien Rice was thought to be in the midst of committing his own occupational suicide.

Having left the financial and professional security of his long-time band Juniper shortly after they had just signed a deal with PolyGram Records, Rice, with nothing more than his guitar, a microphone, and a small battery-powered amplifier, had taken to aimlessly wandering throughout Europe for months.

Busking city streets as if he were some kind of penni-

less troubadour, purposefully leaving himself scrounging for whatever money he could come by, the young musician was seemingly on the verge of being forgotten before he even had a chance to be remembered.

But just as his actions seemed to have lost all meaning to those who still knew him, Rice suddenly found himself developing a certain musical self-restoration, resulting in what would ultimately become the material for his debut full-length, "O," an album of intimate folk-rock that has not only earned its composer numerous nominations and awards, but has now sold over 700,000 copies over the world.



Music
Review
★★★★

Like most folk albums, "O" finds a certain solace in its own simplicity. Primarily established upon the lyrical foundation of Rice's impassioned words, the album stings with the emotions brought on by lost love.

However, unlike many of his contemporaries who often have the tendency to seem contrived or unnatural in their own expression of such feelings, Rice presents himself to be far more

honest in his poetics.

Singing that "it's not hard to grow / when you know that you just don't know," at the end of his song "Cannonball," Rice himself seems to ask his audience to forget what they may have known about him or his music.

Supported with the warmth of his acoustic guitar, a multitude of melancholy string arrangements, as well as the sweet vocal accompaniment of collaborator Lisa Hannigan, "O" takes its time in revealing its subtle intentions.

Slow in its intimacy, it often seems to sway its distinctive melodies and choruses to and fro, constantly struggling

against the overrated excess of his peers.

Noticeably unpolished and imperfect due to the fact that many, if not all of the tracks were recorded and produced in his own home, Rice lets his sincerity travel throughout the work.

From the onset of the album's wavering opening "Delicate," beyond the brittle search within "Amie," Rice throughout "O" presents a voice desperately trying to hold itself back using hushed phrases, but is ultimately unable to do so.

What Rice would only tell in later interviews is that he left to play music on street corners because it finally began forcing

him to play for himself.

With "O," perhaps there is left little doubt of who he is supposed to be.

Review Key

- ★ No one should own this
- ★★ Acquired Taste Only
- ★★★ Just plain good
- ★★★★ Breaking conventions
- ★★★★★ Completely legendary

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Sports

Captains set new record against Chowan

By VIRGINIA BROWN
Contributing Writer

The men's basketball team defeated the Chowan Braves 88-66 Saturday night in the Freeman Center. They took the lead in the first two minutes of the game and never looked back.

Junior Jeremy Romeo led in points, rocketing in a total of seven 3-pointers from the edges of the wings and one lay up.

"That's my trademark, I shoot threes," said Romeo.

Sophomore Jordan Short fired in the Captains' fourteenth three-pointer with 8:27 left in the game, setting a new team record for the three-pointers in a game. The Captains ripped away from the Braves with a 22-point lead in the first half leaving the score 55-33.

"I praised them to the hilt at half time," said coach C. J. Woollum. "We probably played our best first half of the year."

In the second half Chowan raised their defense on the court, to no avail.

Romeo continued to tear through the Braves pushing the Captains lead up to 31 points with a sizzling three-pointer with over 10 minutes left in the game. He relaxed and watched the rest of the game with his fellow starters while Woollum rotated the younger players on the court.

"I like to push the score up to give the others some time to play," said Romeo.

Romeo came just three points away from his career high of 26 points.

"Once I hit a couple, I get on a roll. Then it's hard to stop me," said Romeo.

Romeo spends about half of his practice time on three-shots.

"Three-point-shots feels like a lay up for me," he said. He shot six 3-pointers in from the edges during the first half against the Braves.

"Romeo's first half was just scary," said Woollum.

Both junior Roderic Carey and senior Brandon Brooks made it to the double digits with Carey scoring 13 points and Brooks 12.

"We needed this to get back on track after Wednesday," said Woollum.

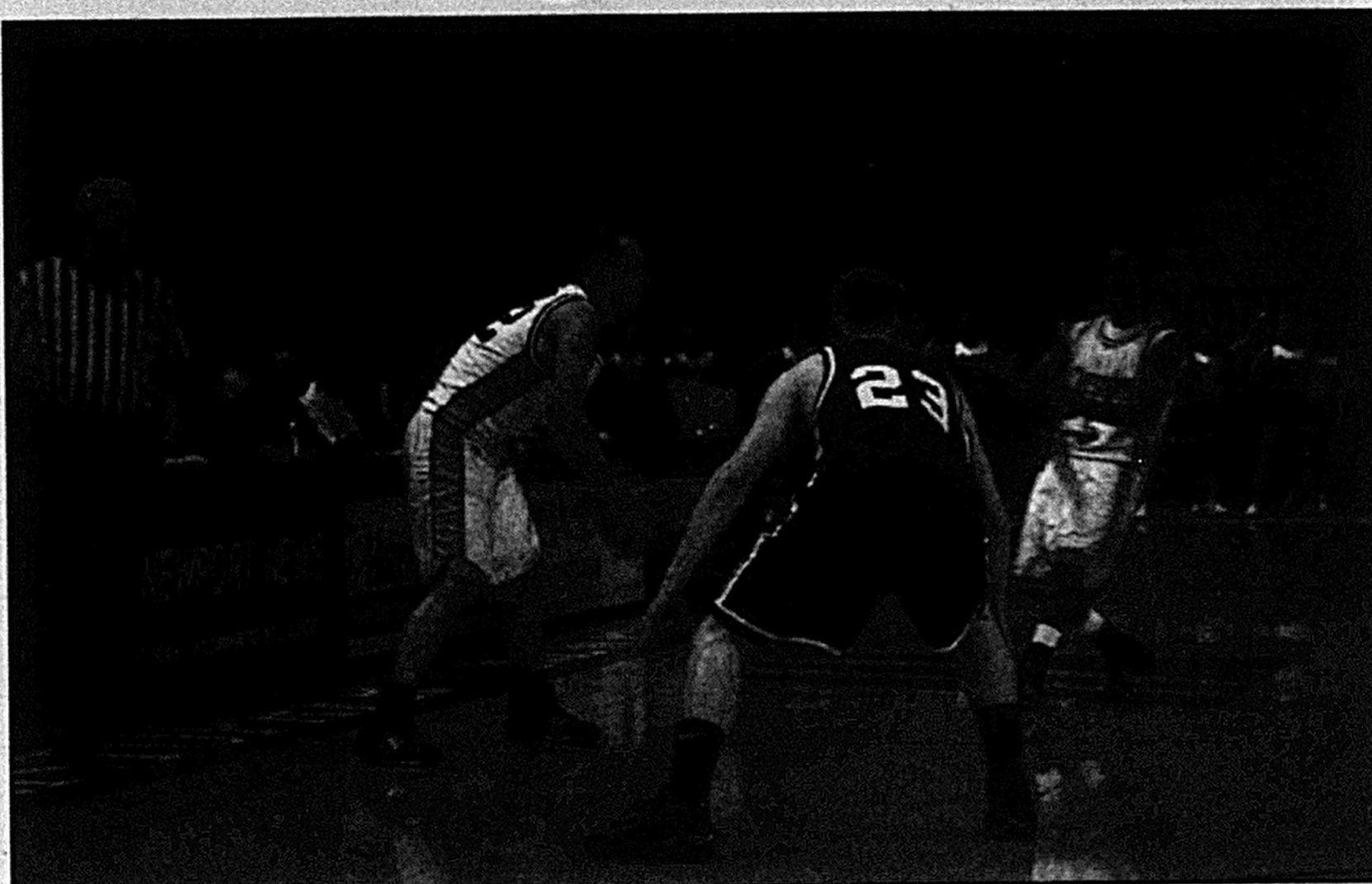
The Captains entered the game coming off a loss against Shenandoah. That loss broke their four-game winning streak, leaving them 9-3 on the season and 0-1 in the USA South. Chowan entered 7-7 for the season and on a four-game winning streak. The two teams were meeting for the 32nd time with CNU on a 10-game winning streak against the Braves.

The Captains have won all of their home games this season.

"It's a pretty good feeling when they are dropping shots," said Woollum. He was also proud of the defensive game his team played but a little disappointed with the fact that the Captains did not make a single free throw. However, the Captains beat the Braves on defense scoring 25 points off turnovers and only allowing Chowan 10 points off turnovers.

This game marked the halfway point in the season for the Captains. Their next game will be against N.C. Wesleyan, to whom they lost last year in the USA South Conference Tournament.

"This was a game to build on," said



Chanelle Layman/The Captain's Log

Junior Adam Purdham looks for some help from sophomore Don'ta Selden as the Captains try to score in a game against Eastern Connecticut.

Woollum, "Tuesday is the next challenge it's always tougher on the road."

"Tell them why Tuesday's game is the most important," Woollum said to Romeo.

"They got us out last year," Romeo said.

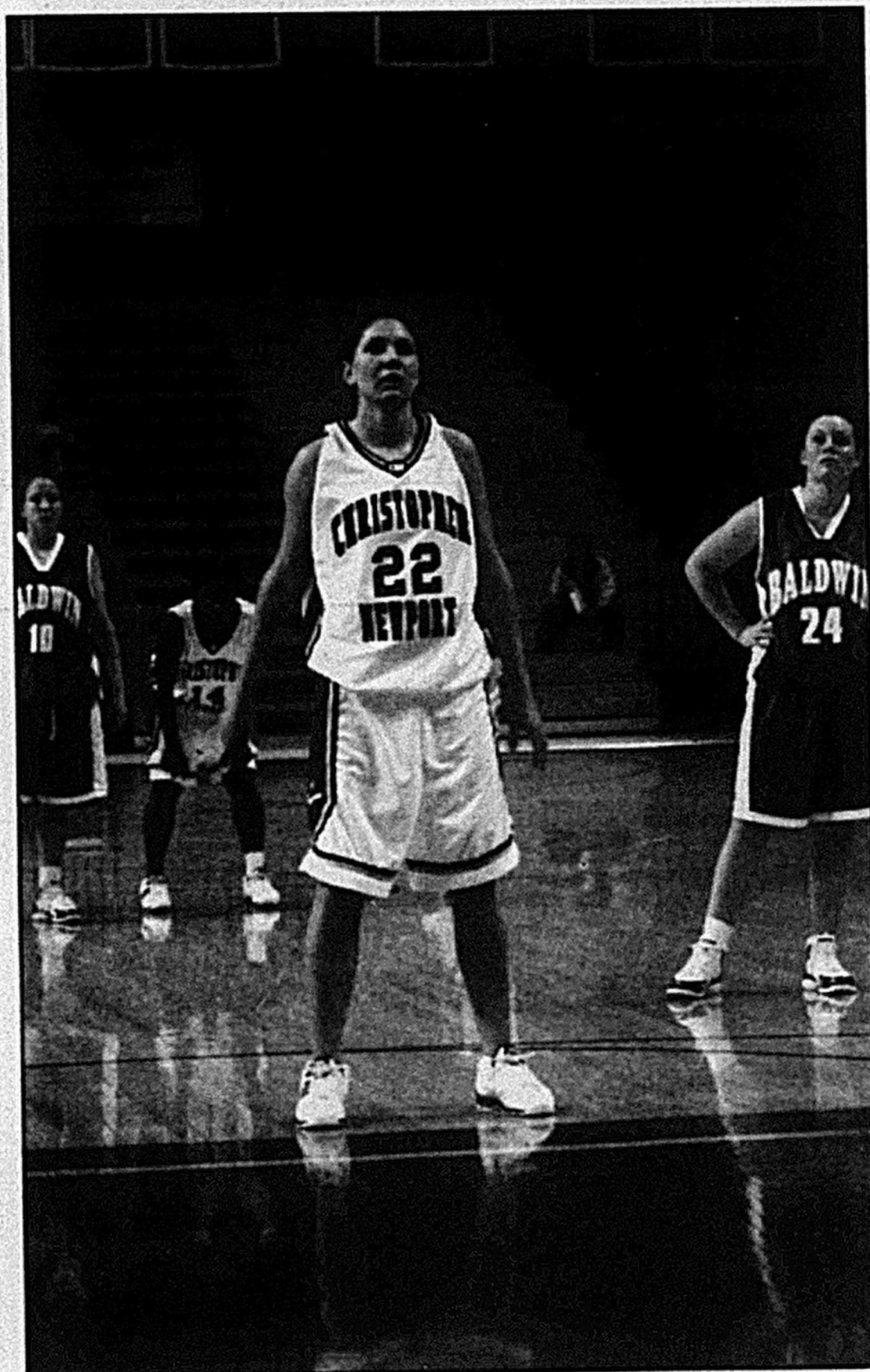
"Why is Tuesday's game the most important?" asked Woollum.

"Because it's the next game!" Romeo shouted.

Season Statistics

Player	PPG	RPG	A	St
Jeremy Romeo	14.8	2.2	22	13
Roderic Carey	13	8.2	22	22
Korey Lewis	11.2	5.9	13	7
Blake Brookman	8.7	3	96	22
Brandon Brooks	7.2	2.4	26	15
Steven Murrer	6.3	4.8	2	4
Don'ta Selden	6.1	2.2	44	12
Jordan Short	5	1.9	8	7

Player	PPG	RPG	A	St
Krizzio Washington	4.6	0.7	1	5
Michael Dancer	2.4	0.7	1	1
Amine Chebaane	2.2	2.8	1	5
Trent Dickerson	2	0.4	5	0
Cadin Pruitt	1.4	1	9	2
Adam Purdham	0.8	0.9	4	4
Mike Witham	0.3	1.3	0	1



Chanelle Layman/The Captain's Log

Freshman Alyssa Boiles concentrates on the hoop before taking a free throw against Mary Baldwin.

Women's basketball team fine tunes game

Returning from Winter Break early, the team is still learning to grow under veteran coach Carolyn Hunter.

By ELIZABETH SCHILLING
Contributing Writer

While the rest of us were enjoying our breaks between the fall and spring semesters, the women's basketball team was hard at work. Over the break, the women competed in five games, bringing home two wins.

In addition, the team came back to school early (only three days after Christmas) to begin practicing.

"The team really impressed me with the conditioning, so we didn't have to work in that direction. Instead, we were able to have a couple of long practices and really break a few things down," said head coach Carolyn Hunter.

"Since school was still out, it was chance for them to just be basketball players again," she said.

Although the team's record is 4-7, the actual scores of those games show a different side to the story.

"We've had some really close games. Five out of our seven losses were lost by six points or less," said Hunter.

The Lady Captains had a particularly close game on Dec. 18 against Virginia Wesleyan.

Virginia Wesleyan managed to squeak by with only a two-point victory.

The women left for break in the midst of a six-game losing streak.

"It hurt to lose the Virginia Wesleyan game," said sophomore Jess Hutt. "Even though it was not a conference game, they are still rivals across the water. We beat them last year, but just came up short this year. It was tough losing to them."

The team's roster includes five freshmen, three sophomores, one junior and one senior.

Hunter also pointed out the team is very young, and in some cases the losses were from a lack of experience.

"If the Virginia Wesleyan game had been later in the season, we would have had that game," said Candace Bryant, a sophomore on the team.

"There were mistakes made that an older team just wouldn't have made. We just needed some more experience," she said.

"From Nov. 21st until Dec. 18th we had a series of struggles. We had some good halves and some bad halves. It really was just me getting to know the players and the players getting to know my style," said Hunter.

"It is all about getting the right chemistry going," she said.

The team started the New Year with a bang, winning over Goucher at the Freeman Center 76-50. That Jan. 3 game was important because many on the team saw this win as a turning point.

"We realized we just couldn't afford to lose anymore. It gets to a point where something has to change," said Hutt. "We understood after the Virginia Wesleyan game that we were going to start learning from our mistakes and stop repeating them."

The Goucher game also appeared to help the team work together and fi-

nally find the "right chemistry."

"We needed that win as a team. We have the talent, we just need to come as a team and play," said Bryant.

The Lady Captains have 13 more games until the Conference Quarterfinals. Even with a 4-7 record, the team is still in contention for the Conference title because its conference record is 1-0.

"We still have some growing to do, but I feel as a team we've made a connection on and off the court," said the only junior on the team, Krystal Vest.

"We understand what CNU represents and what we need to do now to win."

Hunter also has found an extra motivation to do well for the rest of the season.

We are hosting the conference finals here at the Freeman Center. So, there is an extra incentive to do well," said Hunter.

The Lady Captains have two games this weekend at the Freeman Center. Saturday they face off against Ferrum at 2 p.m. and Sunday against Peace at 2 p.m.

Season Statistics

Player	PPG	RPG	A	St
Candace Bryant	17.4	12.4	11	16
Jessica Hutt	10.1	3.4	46	16
Samantha Davis	10	4.3	31	20
Colandra Rollins	8.7	7.1	6	10
Victoria Liaros	7.1	4.5	25	12
Michele Russell	6	2.8	21	13
Chazy Morris	3.7	4	5	4
Theresa Sparks	1.7	3.2	0	3
Alyssa Boiles	0.8	0.8	2	3
Tina Kennedy	0.3	0.3	0	0
Krystal Vest	0.2	0.4	4	2
Hillary Carney	0	1	2	1

Back after years away, Carey is stepping it up

By CATHY EVANS
Captain's Log Intern

On the court, Roderic Carey is a monster. He dominates with size and strength. At 6'6" and 220 pounds, Carey is also leading the Captains in rebounds and steals and is second in scoring.

Off the court, Carey is kind and spends much of his spare time helping the youth. Carey alternates between Center and Guard for the CNU Captains basketball team. He is returning to CNU leaving in the summer of 2001 to return to his home state of Louisiana.

Carey is from Marrero, La., where he graduated from John Eret High School in May 1996. He went to Delgado Community College where he played basketball in the beginning of spring 1997. He left Delgado after joining the army in 1998.

Carey was stationed at Fort Eustis where he was a specialist for transportation management and operation. He was in charge of the shipping and receiving of military cargos. Carey's job

was to make sure the vehicles were all equipped and ready for either the road or to be placed into airplanes.

At Fort Eustis he played in a lot of recreational leagues on base. Sgt. Herbert Plummer, his mentor and commanding officer, helped push Carey to start looking at the local colleges and universities and really got somewhere with his talent.

"Sgt. Plummer really took care of me," said Carey. "He wanted me to use my talent to make sure it wouldn't go to waste."

So, Carey searched for contacts in the phone book and one of the secretaries gave him CNU Assistant Coach Roland Ross's phone number. He contacted Ross and invited him to the base to watch him play basketball. He began to work out with the team during the summer of 1999.

Carey had to learn to balance his schedule wisely between all of his responsibilities. Carey was full-time active duty as well as a full-time student and playing basketball. He would sometimes leave for a week or two with

his unit.

"I'd have PT [Physical Training] in the morning then I'd work."

After that I'd go to basketball practice then have class until 9:45 p.m.," he said.

He continued this schedule until summer 2001 when Carey left the military. It was at this time that he left CNU as well to return to Louisiana. He went to work as a deputy sheriff in New Orleans. Carey also went back to Delgado Community College to take a few classes as a part-time student.

While in Louisiana, Carey was the head basketball coach for the Progressive Church youth basketball team. He coached players between the ages of 12 to 18. He also served as a mediator for his athletes, making sure that their grades were good and meeting with their teachers. He provided tutoring for children that needed additional help in their classes.

"A lot of people don't understand

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Redskins come up empty, again

By SEAN KENNEDY
Sports Editor

With the return of Joe Gibbs to the Washington Redskins last January, there came a familiar sense of optimism in the Washington area. The buzz around town was incredible. Everywhere I went people would have smiling faces. Even at the local 7-11s, the epitome of depression, they would ask me, "Have you heard? ..."

For those of you who weren't there, you missed something special.

The Redskins, for most of the past decade or so, have been a sloppy, disappointing mess of a team. They have always shown promise in the off-season and preseason, but have come up empty time and time again. They have become experts on snatching defeat from the jaws of victory. Since Joe Gibbs left the Redskins after the 1992 season, they have only made the playoffs once, in 1999.

Could Gibbs really live up to the hype that surrounded him? Could he

achieve the same sort of success that he enjoyed "the first time around"? Could the Redskins be perennial playoff contenders once more?

Almost a year later, I can finally answer that.

No. Not even close.

Maybe it's too early to judge, but coming into the 2004 season, Gibbs had a career record of 124-60 and had won three Super Bowls. In his first season back, the Redskins finished with a disappointing 6-10 record and out of the playoffs yet again. Somewhere Steve Spurrier is vindicated and laughing.

Early in the off-season the Redskins traded their star cornerback, Champ Bailey, to the Broncos for their star tailback, Clinton Portis. Looking back on the trade, the big question is, "who won?"

Portis ran for 1300-plus some yards and Bailey grabbed three interceptions. But neither player lived

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up to expectations that were on them before the season.

Though he ran for so many yards, Portis averaged a paltry 3.8 yards per carry, substandard for a starting running back, and never really seemed to be comfortable.

Bailey was burned over and over again on national TV. For a supposed "shut-down" corner, he failed miserably.

If Portis is to succeed with the Redskins, one of two things must happen. Either he must conform his running style to Gibbs' running style, or Gibbs is going to have to change his style to Portis' style.

I think it's going to have to be a combination of the two.

As far as I'm concerned, the single worst decision of the last offseason was the trade for Mark Brunell. Not only did the Redskins give up a third-round selection in the upcoming draft for him, but the Redskins also shelled out a lot of money for Brunell.

They're in a tough spot now; they can't get rid of him because they've invested way too much money, and they can't trade him because no one would take him. Every other team in the NFL knows he is past his prime.

He started nine games for the Redskins, losing six of them and finishing with the lowest completion percentage in the league. He also failed to throw for 100 yards in five of his nine starts.

Simply pitiful.

Why Gibbs stuck with

Brunell through nine games, even though Brunell was quite obviously struggling, is beyond me.

So, when Patrick Ramsey took over for Brunell late in the season, the huge sigh of relief from Redskins fans was evident. Ramsey went on to lead the team to victory in three of the last five games of the season.

Let me say this for Ramsey: the guy has a lot of heart.

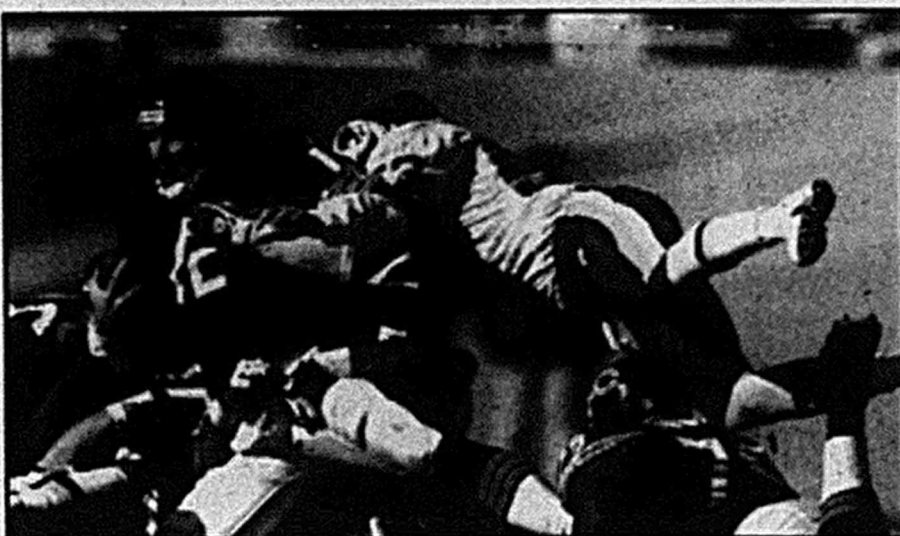
I don't know how far heart can get you in the game of football, but the guy plays with some moxie. I think he could go very far in Gibbs' system.

Clearly the surprise of the season was the defense. Gregg Williams has done well wherever he has been. He had a top defense in Tennessee, in Buffalo and now with the Redskins.

What was most surprising was how the defense played when basically the personnel were backups with marginal talent.

The Redskins have one Pro Bowler, linebacker Marcus Washington. But considering how well the defense played, there could have been several others who were more deserving of the honor. Linebacker Antonio Pierce played like a Pro Bowler and fellow linebacker Lemar Marshall played well in place of LaVar Arrington, who was injured for most of the season.

Aside from Washington, defensive tackle Cornelius Griffin might have been the most deserving Redskin of a Pro Bowl invitation. Considered a weak spot coming into the season, the defensive line played very well,



Marcus Washington sacks QB Jonathan Quinn. He was a pickup from Indy in 2004.

holding opposing running backs to a league-low 3.1 yards per carry.

As good as the defense played, they couldn't support an offense as anemic as the Redskins' was.

One thing that will have to change in the near future is the Redskins' division record. The Redskins were 1-5 last season inside the NFC East teams and are a horrid 5-19 against the NFC East since 2002.

One thing that could help the Redskins is a good draft. The Redskins gave up a third-round pick for Mark Brunell and they gave up a second-round pick for tight end Chris Cooley.

I'll go ahead and say that the Redskins really need a pass-rushing defensive end. I know they had a great defense, but they couldn't generate any pressure with only using the defensive line.

Drafting a wide receiver seems to be a top concern for the team, but I, for one, don't think

picking up yet another receiver will help the team when they have several talented athletes at that spot, including Taylor Jacobs.

I look forward to a successful season next year. I'm sure owner Dan Snyder will yet again win the offseason bowl.

Although I can't foresee what will happen when Free Agency begins in March, I'm sure it will be interesting.

CAREY, FROM PAGE 12

why I left Louisiana to come back to school," said Carey. But Carey feels it was important to him to take care of his two-year old daughter, Amire, and to get his degree.

"This is something in five years I can look back on and know why I did this," said Carey.

During his last season at CNU, the Captains had a record of 25-4 for all games and a 10-2 conference record.

Carey's goal for this season is to make this season's record better than their last, and he would like to see the Captains win another USA South Championship.

Carey has to face a lot of challenges on the team. He is 26 years old and, as the oldest player on the team, the coaches look to him to be a leader.

Carey has been selected the USA South's Player of the Week twice this season. Carey averages 8.7 rebounds a game

with his career best at 18 rebounds in CNU's win over Eastern Connecticut State in late November. Carey is second on the team for scoring, averaging 13 points a game.

"It's really important to be a leader, and set good examples on and off the court," said Carey.

Carey currently volunteers as an AVID tutor at Menchville High School. He has an interest in talking to youth and being a mentor and youth counselor. As an AVID tutor, he helps the students at Menchville find the answers to their homework questions and encourages them in learning how to find answers through each other.

In the future Carey wants to coach basketball at a high school.

"A lot of kids need to learn the fundamentals in high school, I want to teach them so they know what they need to know so they are prepared for college ball," said Carey.



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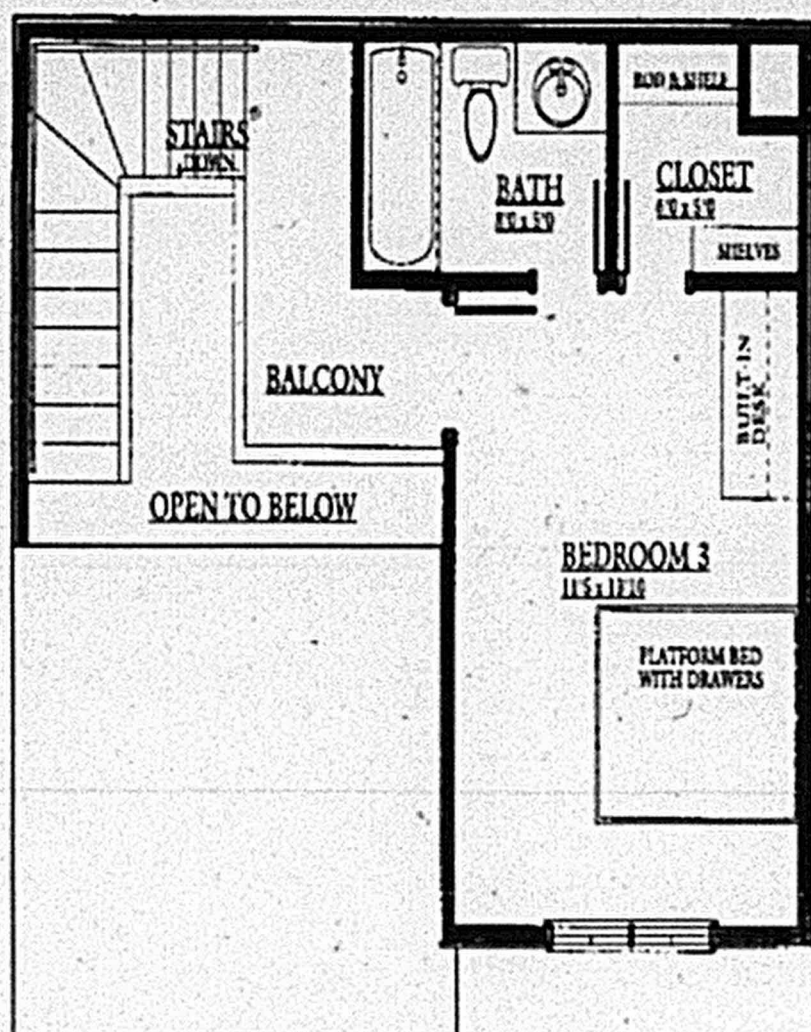
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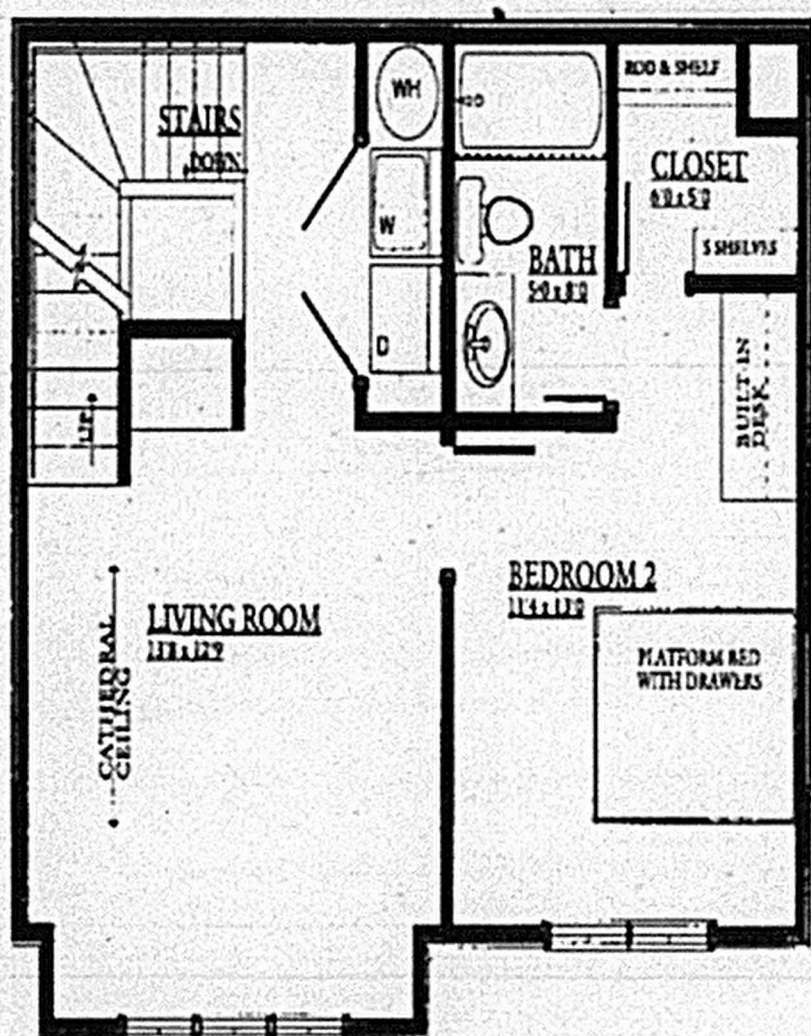
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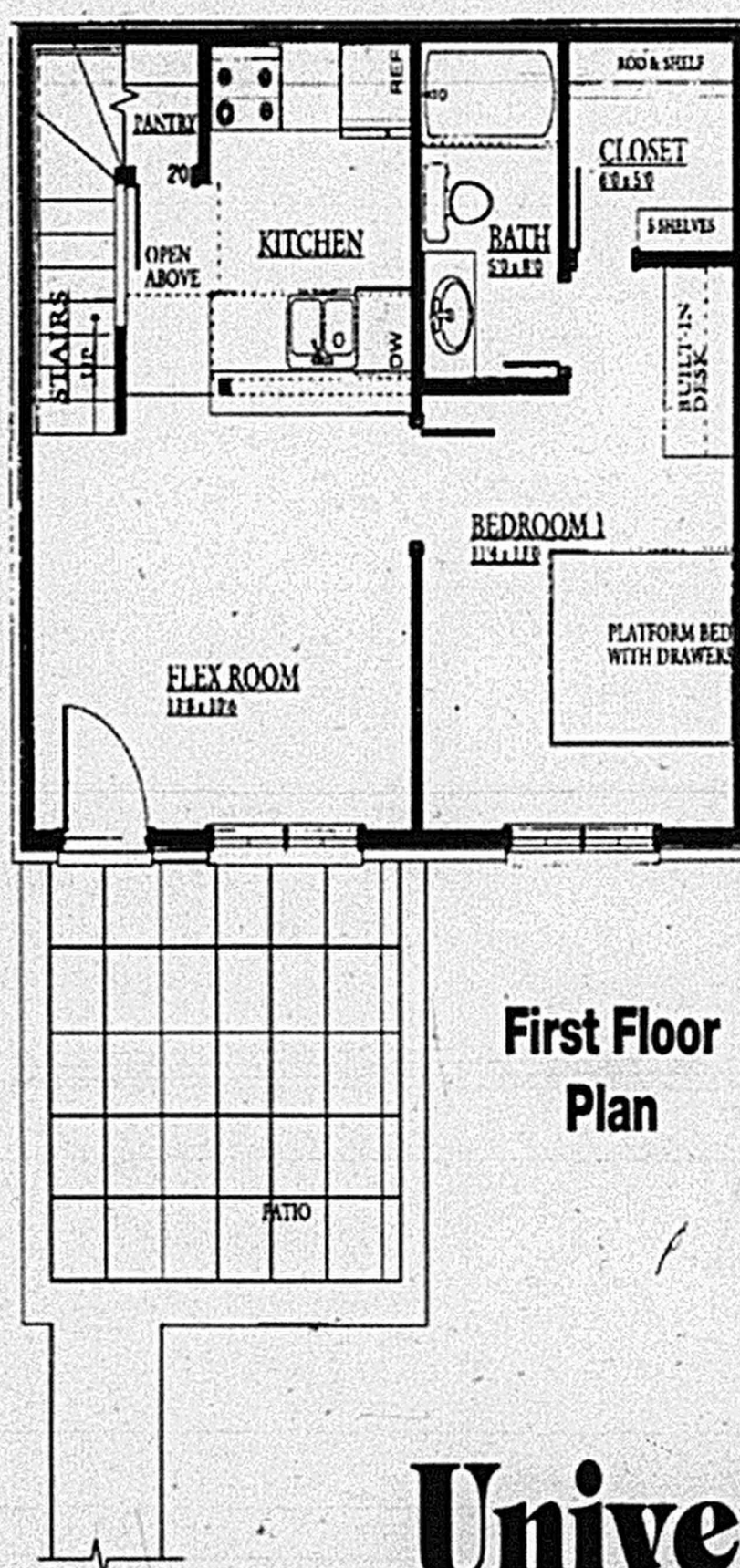
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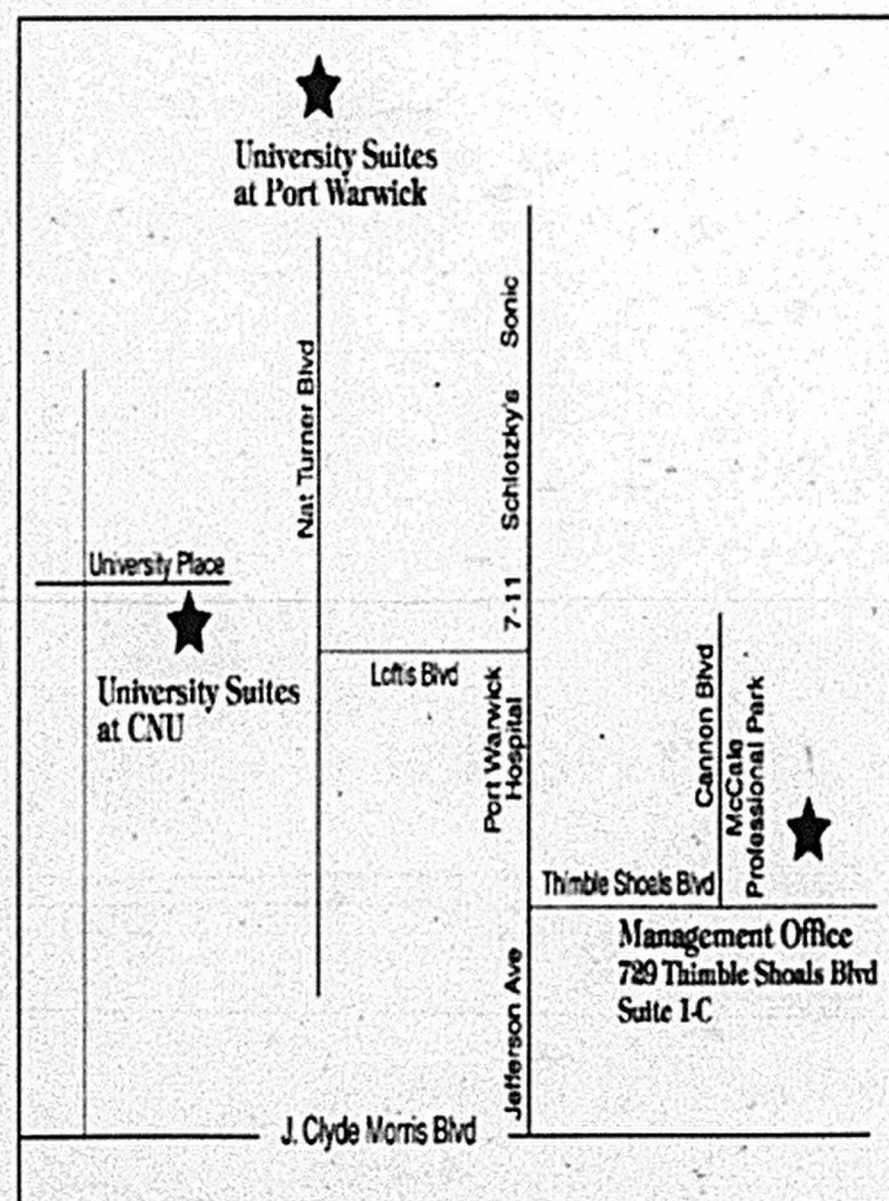
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