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## Freshman Orientation To Focus On Academic Importance

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CNU's academic culture is getting a facelift, beginning with its freshman orientation.

The Task Force on Curriculum and Academic Life announced Friday that it intends to create a freshman orientation that stresses academics as the focus of CNU.

Changes might include an academic component such as credit and possibly cultural events.

"We are thinking about maybe an assigned reading, with discussion groups led by faculty, administrators and even coaches. The point is to make it clear that academics are important to everyone at CNU," said Dr. Susan St. Onge, task force co-chair.

Students who recently experienced orientation welcome the changes to improve the transition from high school to college.

"College is very different from high school. I didn't understand the workload I was expected to handle, and my high school was not very hard. I think a

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## Softball Victory!



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The women's softball team celebrates after defeating Averett 2-1 on Saturday at Destany Park. The team is now 14-3-1 overall and 3-0 in the Dixie Conference. The game was scoreless for the first seven innings, but Susan Ishman hit a two-run double in the bottom of the eighth inning.

## Students React To Growing Numbers Of Honor Violations

BY JENN ROWELL  
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With 34 honor code violations and seven expulsions in the fall semester, CNU is facing an increase in the numbers of violations, especially among freshmen, who had more honor code violations than all the other classes combined, according to statistics provided by

Dean of Students Maury O'Connell. Students and faculty alike have expressed different interpretations on the cause and solutions to the problem.

"The class of 2006 had a lot more people coming in. I just don't think a lot of the people in the class of 2006 were ready for college. They seemed to think of it as a high school away from home, and that's not what college should

be," said freshman Eric Coasman.

Many people view the statistics of the honor code violations as a reflection of the freshman class. Others, however, do not.

"There are bad apples and good apples in every bunch. The vast majority of freshmen are working hard on learning and doing the

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## Random Acts Of Vandalism Push Campus Cleanup

### University Police Urge Students To Report Targets Of Violation

BY TYRONE ROBINSON  
Staff Writer

University Police discovered the strength of super glue when the department received a call from the residence halls last semester reporting that a door had been sealed shut, probably as a practical joke, according to Police Chief Jeffrey Brown. The Department eventually had to replace the entire lock mechanism, which was about \$50, Brown said.

Over the years, University Police officers have seen vandalism on campus range from soap in the fountain to car break-ins. In recent weeks, two windows have been broken at the SunTrust Building, valued at \$1,000 each, according to Brown. The glass in one door in Ratcliffe was shattered, and window screens have been torn out in Santoro Hall, Brown said. These recent incidents represent a trend of increased on-campus vandalism at CNU.

"I don't understand why people would pay so much to go to a school and mess it up," said senior Dominic Arjona. "I don't think they understand that they're messing up things they paid for. This isn't high school anymore. We're supposed to be mature college kids. Have some pride."

Since last year, the rate of vandalism on campus has increased, but that increase has most likely stemmed from a growth of people actually reporting the vandalism, according to Brown.

Most vandalism, he said, goes unreported. "Some people feel that the incident is not worthy to report, don't have the time, or think that there is nothing we can do."

Of the 24 reported incidents of vandalism last semester, 12 involved cars. University Police successfully caught a perpetrator in the act of vandalizing in lots C and D, CNU's police department said. This individual was ultimately charged with 11 felony vandalism charges (beginning at the \$1,000 level), 10 larcenies, one charge of possession of burglary tools and one charge of possession of marijuana, according to information provided by the University Police Department.

Although the police

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## Dissenters Protest War, Strive For Peace

### Great Lawn Demonstration Voices Anti-War Concerns

BY ASHLEY WILSON  
Managing Editor

In one of the first antiwar movements to appear on campus, a small group of students assembled on the Great Lawn on Friday to protest the war in Iraq.

Many of the students gave brief speeches, and most brought signs or placards expressing their political sentiments.

"It was really nice to see so many people who agreed with my political opinions," said sophomore Tina Ramsey. "This war is taking place for the wrong reasons. It's perhaps a bit of cultural imperialism."

The "Peace Rally," planned primarily by students Courtney Modecki and Shawn Whiteside, gave dissenting students an outlet to voice their political beliefs.

Ramsey, for instance, found it

particularly upsetting that she couldn't voice her opinions at school.

"My opinions are blown off like I'm just a hippie kid," she said, adding that the Peace Rally was the perfect opportunity for her to make her opinions known.

Dissenters also noted that the Peace Rally gave pro-war students the opportunity to hear another view.

"I would like people to be more informed. People need to hear both sides of the story and figure out

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Junior Tina Ramsey prepares a peace-sign placard for Friday's Peace Rally. "We're not hippies; we're radicals," Ramsey said.

## Students, Faculty Rally Against Rape, Sexual Assault



Ralliers at the Candlelight Vigil for Sexual Assault Survivors share their experiences. "I'm a sexual assault victim, and I'm here to tell you, you can learn to live and love again and have a wonderful life," said Dr. Anita Tieman, Director of the OCCS.

### Informational Meeting Aims to Prevent Assault; Candlelight Vigil Honors Survivors, Supporters

BY ASHLEY WILSON  
Managing Editor

Except for the soft sound of white wax falling on the long sheets of black banner paper, the silence was deafening during Wednesday's candlelight vigil for victims and survivors of sexual assault, sponsored by Panhellenc.

"Let us not forget the time we spent together in solidarity against sexual assault," said Alex Butterfield, Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs, breaking the silence.

One by one, those who had survived sexual assault or had helped a friend or relative through the experience spoke, and then blew out their tall white candles.

When each candle was extinguished, the group gathered in embrace.

It was a fitting end for the Sexual Assault Rally, an event meant to inform students of the dangers of sexual assault and the ways to prevent it. The rally, which consisted of an informative presentation by CNU's Police Chief Jeffrey Brown and by Stacie Bosley of the Center for Sexual Assault Survivors in

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## Miss Essence Crowned



MSA held 4th annual Miss Essence pageant. Find out who took home the title.

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## Lady Captains Defeated



Women's lacrosse team loses to Randolph-Macon 16-6.

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## Campus In Brief

### Class Elections To Be Held Next Week

An officer debate for the classes of 2004, 2005, and 2006 will take place on April 9 in the Anderson Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

The elections for all classes will be held on April 10 and 11.

### MSA Hosts Celebration

The Multicultural Student Association will be hosting an end-of-school celebration at Regatta's on April 5 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Cost is \$5 with college id, \$5 without college id.

### RHA Exchanges Electronic Equipment

The Residence Hall Association's York River Hall Council will be exchanging CDs, DVDs, electronic games, etc. in the York River West multipurpose room on April 4 from 10 to 12 p.m.

### Senior Class Sells Tickets

The Class of 2003's party, "Get It On In The Amazon," will be held on April 11 from 10 to 10 p.m. in the Virginia Living Museum.

The event will include heavy appetizers, live animal shows, dancing, a cash bar and music by disc jockey Tanner.

Tickets prices are \$7 per person or \$12 per couple.

### Senate Candidate To Speak

James Graves, a candidate for the State Senate will speak on April 9 at 4 p.m. in the Student Center room 233.

### Pi Lambda Phi Will Hold Fund-raiser

Pi Lambda Phi will host a Cardboard Village Fund-raiser April 24 on the Great Lawn.

### Karaoke Night To Be Held

CAB is sponsoring a Karaoke Night at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Discovery Café.

### CNU VATE Holds Final Meeting

CNU VATE will hold its last meeting of the year on April 8 in the upstairs lobby of Ratcliffe. It is important for all members to attend, as officers for next year will be elected.

Anyone willing to make posters or flyers advertising the meeting and spreading awareness of the club will be appreciated.

# Fire Department On Call To Keep CNU Students, Local Residents Safe

## Firefighters Share Their Heart-Rending Memories of Failed Rescues, Repeat Fires

BY AMBER NETTLES  
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Editor's note: This is the second portion of last week's article, titled "Local Fire Station Works To Keep CNU Safe From The Unexpected." This piece takes an in-depth look at the firefighters of Station 10, a station assigned to aid CNU in the event of fire or natural disaster.

One of the hardest parts of the job is remembering all that has happened, all that could have been avoided. For the firefighters at station 10, everyday holds some reminder, some memory that they'd rather leave behind.

Captain Hackney sits, talking mostly of past fires. He's not really grinning that much now.

"All the people I've brought out of fires have been dead."

About 15 or 16 years ago, Hackney was working at station 2 in Newport News. There was a fire at 23rd Street and Wickam Avenue, and on his way inside, someone handed him a little girl. She was alive. Her mother was down the street with friends, and her drunken uncle had passed out on the couch. Upstairs, she and her siblings (older brother, younger sister) had been playing with matches. When a fire started, they ran out of the upstairs bedroom, closed the door and ran down the hall. A few min-



Firemen Jeff Nelson and Brian Sanzo listen to information over the radio in Rescue 2, a crash truck that is part of Newport News Station 10. Both men have been working at Station 10 for the past five years.

utes later, they went back to check on the fire. "When they opened the door, the room flashed on them."

The little girl Hackney was holding had been in front of her siblings, so she got the worst of it. She was in the hospital for quite a while.

"I remember that woman came tearing down the street screaming and hollering 'MY BABIES!! MY BABIES!!' We all felt so bad for her," Hackney said.

About six months later, there was another fire in that area, just a few blocks away. This time, a mother left her children at home alone while she was out drinking and gambling with her friends. The power had been cut off in the house a few weeks earlier, so the mother had left a candle burning downstairs in the kitchen.

The fire crept up through the ceiling into the upstairs of the home. The two little girls trapped upstairs were very young, and (Hackney thinks)

they were desperate for any kind of protection from the fire and smoke that was invading their bedroom. They finally threw a blanket over themselves, probably hoping that the blanket would somehow protect them from the fire.

When Hackney walked out of that house, he was holding a small, lifeless burned-up corpse. He placed her down and wrapped her in a sheet. Then, someone told him.

"You know, that little girl you just put in the back of the truck is the same one you carried down the street six months ago."

Hackney is tapping his foot as he says this, and for the first time since he began this conversation, he makes eye contact.

"When she came running down the street screaming, this time I didn't have the same compassion for her that I had the first time. A lot of restraint was shown that

night."

Both girls died that night, and the little boy (who had made the call to 911 and had gotten out of the home before the fire trucks had even arrived) was placed with his grandmother when his mother was thrown in jail for child neglect.

### A Haunting Tragedy

For want of a shoe, the kingdom was lost.

That's the story that Ben Burbic thinks of when recalling a fire that happened about eleven years ago.

In the middle of the night, sometime in winter, Burbic was riding with squad three when the group received a call for a house fire.

Pulling up to the building, he heard that the two children had already been carried out, and they had been taken into a neighbor's house because of the cold.

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made an arrest in this case, suspects in most cases are not easy to uncover, said Brown. For this reason, the University Police Department focuses on modifying frequently targeted areas to reduce the opportunities for a crime to take place. These modifications, which Brown calls "target hardening," include "trimming shrubs, adding lights and removing large rocks."

Brown also said that students could protect their cars by "parking in well-lit areas or by a residence hall, so there is a chance that someone will

see an incident and report it."

Additionally, students can protect their cars from vandalism and robbery by keeping any valuables out of plain sight and parking in areas where there is frequent student traffic to increase chances of witnesses if any violations occur, said Brown.

Vandalism has not been confined to automobiles alone. The Grounds Department spends four to six hours draining, cleaning and refilling the fountain two to three times a semester as a result of individuals filling the fountain with soap.

According to a campus e-mail sent by Robert

Goodhart, Director of Grounds, the statewide budget cuts have left the Grounds Department with a 30 percent reduction of its working budget. This means that the department must do more for the campus, such as cleaning the fountain, with less money.

"We have learned that vandalism is reduced if it is cleaned up immediately," said Brown, who remarked that similar strategies in major metropolitan areas like Washington D.C. and New York have been effective in reducing vandalism.

"If people see the area clean," said Brown, "they will try to take care of it. Maintaining a beautiful campus

adds a sense of pride and ownership."

Many students take pride in the beauty of the campus and want to keep it that way. "One day when I was leaving the library, I saw a car with its window smashed in. That's preposterous," said junior Allison Barnes. "We've already gone through enough budget cuts. We don't need people destroying our school."

For statistics on these and other crimes on campus since 1999, visit <http://www.cnu.edu/admin/policy/crimestat.html>. If anyone has evidence to foresee vandalism on campus, Brown stresses that they should call University Police.

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where they stand," said sophomore James McCarty, who uses alternative news sources such as News Arab World because "CNN, NBC and ABC sugar-coat everything. A lot of confusion is due to the fact that people don't know what's going on. People need to see that war

is not a game. People will die. It will be horrible."

The event was successful in exposing students to dissenting views, McCarty said. "I would estimate that 10 or 15 came to at least listen. There were about 20 people who were trying to listen from afar, the people who didn't want to put themselves in the crowd of antiwar

beginning. Giving us a few weeks will give us a better idea," said Dykema.

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program stressing these differences will be more helpful than just listening to friends," said first-year student Caitlin Dykema.

Dykema also hoped that the task force might add a second advice session a few weeks into the semester.

"A couple of weeks into school, freshmen have a better idea of what is going on around them and will be able to use the advice given to them. Before that, we just get so much advice, and we don't understand what people are talking to us about at the very

people," he said.

The only disagreement of the event, said McCarty, arose when one pro-war student called out, "Support Bush! Support our troops!" In response to that, "I turned my sign to him that said, 'Support Our Troops; Bring Them Home,'" said McCarty.

Many of the dissenters emphasized the idea that pro-

testing the war did not necessarily mean protesting the government or the military itself.

"It's really important for people to understand that we do support the troops," said event planner Courtney Modecki, a sophomore. "We're proud of them... but we want them to come home."

"None of the areas are permanent by any means. We have the basic goals outlined, but none of the details such as specific curriculum or department changes have been made," said St. Onge.

The task force invites anyone in the University community to help with the proposals by visiting its Web site, [www.cnu.edu/cia](http://www.cnu.edu/cia), for contact information.

"The important thing is that this is not just about curriculum. This is changing the very heart and soul of the institution, and we are all in it together, no matter who we are," said St. Onge.

## Virginia In Brief

### Jackpot Winner Could Be Deployed

The winner of the latest Lotto South lottery, which was worth \$11.6 million, missed the Monday deadline to collect the money, according to the Daily Press. The winning ticket was purchased on Oct. 2, and by law, the winner has 180 days to present the ticket and collect the money.

The uncollected money will go to the state's Lottery Fund to provide for school construction, additions and renovations.

There is one exception to the 180-day rule. The "soldiers and sailors exemption" allows the winning ticket holder to collect the jackpot if he/she can prove that a military deployment prevented the winner from making the deadline.

### Man Sentenced On Multiple Charges

A man who killed Evelyn D. Gregory, 67, a woman who was sleeping in her home, was sentenced to an indefinite three-year term in prison, according to The Virginian Pilot. Last summer he crashed a pickup truck into her house and he was sentenced Monday.

The man, William D. Conley, 33, pleaded guilty in February to involuntary manslaughter and eluding the police after the woman's death.

Circuit Judge Frederick H. Crombrene sentenced Conley to 10 years for involuntary manslaughter, but suspended all but three years and one month. Conley was also sentenced to five years for eluding police, but all of that time was suspended.

Conley was not tried on a felony homicide charge or one count of driving under the influence. He will be on supervised probation and is required to seek counseling following his release.

### Warner Vetoes Repeal Of Inheritance Tax

On Monday, Gov. Mark Warner decided that Virginia would continue to tax the estates of millionaire families by failing to repeal the inheritance tax, according to The Virginian-Pilot.

The governor, in the Pilot's article, called the legislation to repeal the tax an "irresponsible" policy, given that Virginia's economy is sagging.

Warner seemed willing to sign bills that would outlaw "partial birth abortions" and require minors to obtain parental consent before performing an abortion.

He is also considering budget amendments that would ensure teacher and state employees receive 2.25 percent raises.

The General Assembly will meet today to review the governor's actions.

# International Students Find Home In CNU

## Ghanaian Exchange Student Discovers New Culture In U.S.

### Francis Brient Overcomes Obstacles of Language Barrier, Cultural Clash To Pursue Degree

BY AMBER NETTLES  
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Imagine stepping off an airplane into the bitter cold of a December day. Imagine speaking a foreign language and having to communicate with those around you who cannot understand your accent. Now imagine trying to follow lectures in classrooms in which teachers speak that foreign tongue, and speak it fast.

Imagine staying in a for-

eign country, all for an education that many take for granted.

International students make up a small percentage of the CNU population, but the presence of those students showcases CNU's international prominence in recent years. International students do more than simply raise diversity rates on campus; however, they show outsiders that people from other nations want to come to CNU to receive their education, despite numerous obstacles.

Francis Brient is such a student. It took him three years to obtain his green card. He traveled from Ghana in December 1999 to attend Old Dominion University. He later transferred to CNU in the fall of 2002. A 28-year-old junior, Brient is majoring in administration and finance.

After receiving his degree, he will return to his home in Ghana to live and work.

"Americans have so many opportunities. In Ghana, not everyone can get to the library, not everyone has a computer, and the facilities and opportunities for education are so slim..." said Brient.

Brient's experience has been very different than the experience of most American students.

"Here, I see students who just get up and leave the classrooms. In Ghana, we can't do that. It's disrespectful to leave," it's like saying that what the teacher is saying doesn't even matter. Here, I see students outside smoking. The relationships between Americans are so different than ours. In Ghana, if an adult sees a stu-

dent smoking, they would go up to that student, say 'Hey don't smoke, it's bad for you,' like that," said Brient.

"Here, I see students who just get up and leave the classrooms... It's disrespectful."

- Francis Brient, junior

Besides cultural clashes, international students face other obstacles. International students sometimes have a harder time paying for their

education because it is difficult for them to find financial aid. Plane tickets and phone cards are expensive, and a college student's budget is slim to begin with. Accommodations must be made for short breaks such as Spring Break and Fall Break.

Plane tickets must be purchased if the student wants to go home over the breaks between semesters, and if those tickets are too expensive, students must find places to stay until school begins again.

Some international students find it difficult to form personal relationships with other students and teachers, usually because of the language barrier.

"Communication is the biggest problem," said Brient. "Most people... it seems that they don't understand me

and my accent, but I think they aren't really trying. It's like, here I am speaking in your language, trying to talk to you, and you won't even try to understand me. I'm not really interested in going out or going to parties (I am taking eighteen credit hours and have to study), but it's frustrating when I'm trying to communicate and others are not."

Obstacles notwithstanding, every semester CNU brings in new international students who want to be here in America to receive an education that may not be readily available at home.

"When I got home, I will have my degree from America. The job market in Ghana is very competitive, and this will give me the edge I need to succeed," said Brient.

## New Database To Track International Students As Potential Terrorists

### System's Introduction Delayed by Frequent Losses of Information

BY ROBERT BECKER  
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The computer system intended to track international students as part of the nation's stepped-up security routinely loses sensitive information about foreign students and faculty, according to university officials throughout the country.

Gaffes in the \$36 million Student and Exchange Visitor Information System - or SEVIS - have also left schools unable to print documents that international students and visiting scholars need to

obtain visas, delaying their entry into the country.

Remarkably, universities trying to print documents for their visiting scholars through the SEVIS program operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security have had those papers appear on printers at other campuses thousands of miles away.

In an incident creating concern in academic circles around the country, a student from Thailand attending Southeastern University in Washington was arrested March 12 by federal agents after the SEVIS database incorrectly listed her as having dropped out, university officials said.

"We are very concerned about this kind of precipitous action, especially during the time that the database is getting the kinks out of it," said Charles Drew Jarvis, Southeastern president.

Federal officials could

not be reached for comment about the incident.

Flaws in the federal government's ability to track the approximately 500,000 foreign students who come to the United States each year to school surfaced after two terrorists involved in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks received approval for student visas six months later.

As part of a congressionally mandated system to track international students, SEVIS was rolled out in January with schools required to use the system exclusively by Feb. 15.

SEVIS, developed for the government by Electronic Data Systems Corp., for the first time will link schools that admit foreign students with federal agencies.

It will provide an instantaneous exchange of information.

SEVIS is designed to replace a tracking system

riddled with errors and fraud. The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service had conceded that it had all but stopped monitoring more than 70,000 schools and institutions empowered to admit foreign students.

Chris Bentley, a spokesman for the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, which replaced INS and oversees SEVIS, acknowledged that the computer network "is not a perfect system."

Bentley said the agency decided to roll out SEVIS during the relatively quiet spring semester so glitches could be identified.

He said officials remained "fully confident" SEVIS would be ready for the fall semester, when the bulk of new international students need records processed.

University officials say that in the month since it has been compulsory to use

SEVIS to track international students, staff members have spent untold hours trying to resolve data-entry problems.

"I think the system is just overwhelmed," said Ravi Shankar, director of the international office at Northwestern University. "We just hope they do something about it."

The officials also fear it's only going to get worse in coming months, when hundreds of thousands of students seek entry to study in the United States and a similar number of graduates seek to stay for postgraduate studies or training.

University officials say much of their frustration stems from the lack of flexibility in the SEVIS system.

In the case of the Southeastern University students, university officials say the matter could have been avoided if SEVIS had allowed the university to fix the student's record.

Southeastern's Jarvis said the school noticed in December that the student's record erroneously showed she had dropped out.

Jarvis, who declined to identify the student, said the school's attempts to correct that record were blocked.

Jarvis said that at 8 a.m. March 12, federal agents appeared at the young woman's house and during their interview learned that she was working part time at a restaurant.

Although education officials say that employment outside a university without permission is a potential violation of a student's visa, they say it's unlikely it would lead to an arrest.

Jarvis said the student was led away in handcuffs. She has since been released.

"You can't fight terrorism by terrorizing the students," Jarvis said.

## Controversy Stirs In Student Government

BY ASHLEY WILSON  
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Controversy arose during Monday's meeting of the Student Government Association when three senators alleged that the SGA's Elections Committee had acted in violation of its own constitution by granting special exemptions to candidates running for next year's Executive Board.

"The constitution states that candidates must meet certain requirements.

The Elections Committee granted exemptions, which breached the constitution," said Senator Leslie Hutchins during the senate meeting Monday.

These exemptions centered mainly around the GPA requirements stipulated in the SGA constitution, Hutchins said.

Senator Nikki Wenzel

topped during the "Blurt-Out" section of the agenda, but the motion was denied.

The Elections Committee then re-introduced the topic to make an appeal to the Senate.

This was in regard to the unconstitutionality of allowing a candidate to run without the required GPA of 3.0.

Wenzel said the motion lasted approximately 20 minutes before the meeting was adjourned.

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"I right things," said Dr. Quentin Kidd, a government professor. "I think the true reflection of the freshman class is their hard work, intelligence, motivation and energy. It may be that all of these violations are simply the reflection of a lot of energy in the freshman class."

Students believe that the apparent increase can be attributed to a rise in the number of individuals who are now enforcing the honor code.

"I think that the increase in violations does show a true reflection on the freshman class itself, but on the fact that the honor code is being enforced harder than it was in the past," said freshman Chris Hiatt.

Most students and faculty agree that the honor code is a positive influence on the CNU community.

"I approve of honor codes. I think college communities should be run on a basis of honor and trust," said Eric Duskin, Associate Professor of History. "I don't think professors should have to be policemen, and I don't think students should cheat and lie to their professors and each other."

Whether they agree with the honor code or not, many students admit that in order to work, the code must be enforced by the students and faculty members themselves.

"I think that if an honor code is to be effective, the faculty and students should

be bound by those expectations. It is my hope that the students and the faculty will hold students more accountable to the value of honor," said freshman Karl Hedlund.

There is still room for change within the honor code, at least according to some.

"The problem with the current system is that when the students see that having an honor code is in no way

"The problem with the honor code is that the students don't take it seriously, and too many of the students at CNU would rather cheat than work hard."

advantageous to them, they feel free to break it," said freshman Mike Borak. "Honor codes only work where everyone believes in them."

Duskin agreed. "The problem with the honor code is that the students don't take it seriously, and too many of the students at CNU would rather cheat

than work hard," he said. "I think that unless the honor code is rigorously enforced, the honor code will never be taken seriously."

Although changes may be in order for how the code is enforced, there are those who believe that the honor code is a good one.

"I think it is sound," said Kidd. "I think we need to learn as an institution how to use it to achieve the ends we desire. We will mature as a residential institution over time, and many things we treat as honor code violations perhaps will be viewed differently. We are a newly residential university and perhaps still feel somewhat afraid as an institution to let students be students."

One thing that most individuals agree on is that an effective honor code is something on which CNU can stake its reputation.

Hiatt thinks that the code represents a "real ideal that CNU wants to be respectable and trustworthy."

Kidd agreed, saying, "We want to be an institution where people of high integrity come to learn."

There is an increase in honor code violations is not exclusive to CNU, some say.

"I understand this to be a national phenomenon rather than a uniquely 'CNU' one, and so I think we should be looking 'big picture' for answers, as opposed to just here at CNU," said Kidd. "This will all shake out over time. We may have a future Nobel Prize winner in this year's freshman class—perhaps we need more intellectual challenges for all of that energy."

## 11th Annual Mid-Atlantic Marine Mammal Symposium Held At CNU

BY QUINTON SHEPARD  
Staff Writer

Seamamms, the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Marine Mammal Symposium, held its 11th annual conference at CNU from Friday, March 28 through Sunday, March 30.

"This was an important regional meeting for marine mammal researchers," according to Dr. Jim Reed, professor in CNU's Biology Department, who said that researchers came to CNU from as far away as the Gulf Coast and Florida.

Seamamms is a forum for biologists conducting research on all species of marine mammals in waters from New Jersey to Texas, according to the group's informational Web site.

This year's program consisted of 14 oral presentations, a poster session, held two workshops, according to information provided by the

Seamamms group. One of the workshops dealt with digital photography and storage while the other was a workshop on fin comparisons. Awards were given for the best student-originated poster and oral presentation.

Along with the workshops and presentations, there were several social events scattered throughout the weekend, including a mixer on Friday night and a banquet on Saturday night.

Reed also commented that the symposium was mainly student-oriented. "Students and researchers came from schools such as Duke and UNC Wilmington," Reed said, who added that most attendees responded positively to the event.

The symposium was divided into three sessions. Session I included activities such as exploring the occupancy of the Atlantic Bottlenose Dolphin in restricted ar-

eas of the Pamlico Sound, bordering the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Other lessons researched migratory habits, seasonal distribution and activities of Bottlenose Dolphins in an estuary.

Session II began with a look at the behavior of Florida Manatees that are in captivity. The second session also included the FINSKAN Project, which is a computer-assisted photo identifying method for identifying marine species. The afternoon went on to take a look at internal structures of Bottlenose and Rough-Toothed dolphins.

The third and final session of the symposium focused on the implications of historical changes dealing with large whale entanglements in the northwest Atlantic, the occurrence and social structure of the Bottlenose dolphin in relation to shrimp trawlers, and a detailed investigation of the blue crab.





# World and Nation

## 4 Air Force Academy Officials Ousted In Sexual Assault Scandal

### Congress Investigates 56 Claims Of Rape, Assault

BY JUDITH GRAHAM  
Knight-Ridder Campus

Four top officials will lose their jobs at the Air Force Academy because of a sexual assault scandal that has placed the reputation of the elite training school in jeopardy, congressional sources confirmed Tuesday.

The shakeup marks a turnaround for the Air Force's top command, which until recently maintained it had confidence in the leadership of the military college. Criticism has been growing in Congress over how leaders handled allegations of rape and sexual assault at the 4,100-student school.

The Air Force plans to announce Wednesday that two top commanders at the Colorado Springs academy chief of cadets Brig. Gen. S. Taco Gilbert and vice superintendent Col. Steve Eddy will be removed. Gilbert was completing a two-year stint at the school.

Also slated to lose their jobs are Col. Bob Eskridge, vice commander, and Col. Sue Slave, training group commander, according to information presented at a classified briefing Tuesday by Air Force Secretary James Roche to the Senate Armed Services Committee. All four are expected to be reassigned.

"At last, we're taking people out of the academy who are responsible to a large extent for the mess this school is in," said Rep. Tom Tancredo (R-Colo.), who called several weeks ago for top officials at the college to be ousted.

During the last decade, military investigators have confirmed 56 cases of alleged rape or assault at the academy. Officials believe as many as double that number may have occurred but not been reported by female students afraid of reprisals.

Air Force officials declined to comment until Wednesday's news conference, and attempts to reach academy officials were unsuccessful.

Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-N.Y.), speaking after the closed-door briefing, said she thought the Air Force was "making progress" but indicated she was not satisfied. "I believe that changing the leadership is a serious action but it is not sufficient," she said.

Two of the new leaders to step into the academy leadership will be women. One of them, Col. Debra Dubbe, who graduated from the academy in 1980 with the first class of women, will become vice commander and academy ombudsman responsible for overseeing allegations of sexual assault, according to the senate aide.

## Battle In Baghdad Looms As U.S. Troops Close In On Capital



Sgt. David Turner (wearing bandana) talks with Pfc. Michael White at Tilihi Airfield in Iraq, on Mar. 24.

### U.S. Challenges Saddam To Prove He Is Alive

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U.S. Army soldiers edged closer to Baghdad on Monday, fighting from behind sandbags and punching through one front-line Republican Guard unit outside Saddam Hussein's capital.

High-ranking U.S. officers said the first major clash in the battle for Baghdad could begin Tuesday, a comprehensive ground assault against an entire Republican Guard division dug in between the U.S. Army and the city.

"Where the regime is, we're coming," said U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks.

Other officers warned that the war could prove bloodier than many Americans expect and they again raised the specter of U.S. troops confronting chemical or biological weapons.

"We're prepared to pay a very high price," said a senior official at U.S. Central Command in Doha, Qatar, who requested anonymity. "If that means there will be a lot of casualties, there will be a lot of casualties."

One U.S. soldier was reported killed Monday in a battle in Najaf, bringing the U.S. death toll to 48, with many others wounded.

Total Iraqi military and civilian casualties could not be estimated, but U.S. officials said seven Iraqi women and children were killed by U.S. troops near Najaf when their van did not stop at a checkpoint as ordered and after warning shots were fired.

Other accounts said that three Iraqi men also died in the incident and that an Army unit delayed firing warning shots until the van was so

close that it alarmed other soldiers who raked the vehicle with cannon fire.

Four Army soldiers died in a suicide car bombing in the same area on Saturday and U.S. troops have been on high alert for additional suicide bombings.

To reduce the threat to U.S. soldiers and prepare the battlefield, more airstrikes hammered areas in and around Baghdad early Tuesday.

Eight thousand precision-guided weapons have been fired since the war began, 3,000 of them since Friday, the Pentagon said.

In Washington, the Pentagon claimed that relatives of Saddam were trying to flee the country and implicitly challenged Saddam to prove that he is alive.

"Since the coalition bombed Saddam's headquarters at the very beginning of the war, the world has neither seen his hide nor hair, only tapes," said Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke.

"We've not seen his sons. We've seen evidence that family members are fleeing

the country or trying to flee the country," said Clarke.

She refused to give evidence to back up her assertion.

As for Saddam's current condition, Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations said he believed that his nation's leader was alive.

"I cannot believe these kinds of speculations," Mohammed Aldouri said.

"It's part of the propaganda war. Obviously he's still alive and he's the chief commander right now," said Aldouri.

The comments came after armored and ground elements of the Army's 3rd Infantry Division fought their way into Hadiyah, about 50 miles southwest of Baghdad.

Trading fire with Iraqi soldiers who sought shelter behind shrubbery and brick walls, U.S. forces reportedly killed at least 35 Iraqis and captured several dozen who wore the distinctive insignia of the Republican Guard.

## Sealing Room With Duct Tape, Plastic Could Be Dangerous, Professor Says

BY KATI JIVIDEN  
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Paul Mathews cringes every time he hears of the duct tape-and-plastic solution to a biochemical attack.

Covering all the holes and cracks in a room with plastic and turning off the ventilation, Mathews said, is like sticking your head (and body) inside a giant plastic bag.

"They didn't think through this process," said Mathews, an associate professor of respiratory care at the University of Kansas School of Allied Health.

"They have everyone acting in a panic," said Mathews.

Officials from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Homeland Security told Americans last month that they should buy duct tape and plastic as a potential shield against a biochemical threat.

Although officials have downplayed the suggestion after facing criticism, the Web sites of the Homeland Security Department and FEMA still list the two items as components for a home-safety kit.

Charley Marlow, assistant director of operations and exercises at Johnson County Emergency Management, said it's important to think about how one would react to a biochemical threat. He said figuring out a plan for a "shelter in place" or how to secure a room or other area is a good idea.

"I'm not saying 'shelter in place' is going to give you 100 percent protection from every chemical," Marlow said.

"But we recommend you know how to do that and that you have duct tape and plastic to seal up the openings in a room," said Marlow.

He said residents also are urged to shut off the ventilation and wait until authorities say it's safe to come out.

If an attack should occur, Marlow said, residents probably would have to seek shelter for only a short time.

Mathews decided to speak up after seeing an article in The Kansas City Star recently about a middle school that held a terrorism drill in its gymnasium. More than 700 students and teachers were sealed inside the room with plastic and duct tape.

Given the space and the number of students, Mathews said, the oxygen would be depleted from the room in about an hour.

Oxygen loss would cause nausea, headaches, vomiting and hyperventilation.

People in their teens and older breathe at least 10 to 15 cubic feet of air per minute, Mathews said.

The more excited people are, the more air they use. And those with breathing problems, such as asthma, would have even more problems.

## Saddam's Sons Known For Their Cruelty

### Amnesty International Alarmed By Iraqi Leaders

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*Editor's Note: This article contains content that may upset some readers.*

One is a sadistic playboy who rapes 12-year-old girls and tortures friends for amusement.

The other is a methodical, ruthless enforcer who kills for political power, then has his victims buried in mass graves.

They are Saddam Hussein's infamous sons two evil brothers with blood on their hands.

As bombs and missiles chisel away at their father's regime, it's unknown if Qdai and Qusai Hussein are dead or alive. But one thing seems certain: They would kill anyone, whether it's thousands of strangers or their closest relatives, to survive.

Qusai, Saddam's younger son at 36, who con-

trols Iraq's security and intelligence agencies, is probably his father's successor. Qdai, 38, was shot at least eight times in 1996 when gunmen sprayed bullets at his car. The once athletic and tall Qdai now uses a wheelchair or limps with a cane.

Starting at 20, Qdai used his sadistic ways on athletes when Saddam made him head of Iraq's National Olympic Committee and its soccer federation.

With young people demoralized by the Iran-Iraq war, Saddam thought Qdai could restore

their legs broken. He hits them up to 50 times. When they're writhing in pain and can barely walk, he orders them to dance.

Qdai, who also controls the country's media, is the flamboyant one known to drive a red Porsche and wear a \$3 million ring. Qusai is the quiet, behind-the-scenes man with three sons who has never given a public speech.

Qusai, now in charge of the Republican Guard, earned his father's respect by helping to suppress a Shiite rebellion soon after the first Gulf War.

He rounded up hundreds and put them in warehouses, defectors say. Men, women and children prisoners were stripped naked. He questioned himself and they were shot immediately if they didn't cooperate. Most victims were buried in mass graves dug by bulldozers.

While Qusai may be the second-most-powerful man in Iraq, it was his flashy brother who delivered the family message when President Bush gave them 48 hours to leave. Iraqi forces will prevail, Qdai bellowed.

The mothers of U.S. soldiers will "weep blood instead of tears."



Saddam Hussein's two sons, Qdai (left) and Qusai (right), have long been known in Baghdad for their penchant for torture and rape.

The sons "differ only in that Qdai kills people for fun, and Qusai kills people in a very businesslike fashion," former CIA chief R. James Woolsey reportedly said.

Qdai, considered the family's most heartless, has at times been called the "Butcher's Boy" and has a private torture chamber known as the "Red Room."

national pride through sports.

In 2001, Amnesty International reported that Qdai had ordered the hand of a security officer be chopped off after the man was accused of stealing sports equipment that later turned up.

He warns victims not to flinch from the beating, defectors report, or they will have

# Opinions

## Where We Stand

### Possible Reasons For Honor Violations Among Freshman Class Don't Excuse Situation

Since classes began last August, the Office of Judicial Affairs has been working a lot harder than it used to.

In the first semester alone, 34 honor code violations were reported at CNU, seven of which resulted in dismissal from the University. During the entire 2001-2002 school year, there were 41 such violations, two of which resulted in dismissal, according to information provided on the Web site of the Office of Student Life.

While this is disturbing, what is perhaps more disconcerting is how these violations are broken down by class. During the previous semester, the class of 2006 received 18 honor code violations, more than twice that of the other three classes combined, according to data obtained from the Office of the Dean of Students.

While facts like these are certainly enlightening, the statistics seem to beg more questions than offer answers. Why has there been such a stark increase in honor code violations, and in particular, why have the members of the class of 2006 perpetrated so many of them?

Last fall, all first-year students participated in an elaborate honor ceremony in which they pledged to uphold the honor code. Each one of them signed his or her name upon an "honor book" to signify that pledge. Obviously, there were at least 18 students who did not understand seriousness of the pledge they took.

Why then, if so much care was taken to ensure that these students in particular understood and embraced the honor code, did this same body of students violate the code more than any other class in the fall of 2003?

The class of 2006 is the most academically competitive group of students ever to enroll at CNU. Could it be that these students are under a greater pressure to perform than other classes, and more importantly, to continue to perform at levels comparable to their high school successes? If this is true, then tremendous pressures from parents and peers, among others, may encourage such students to see cheating not as a dishonorable act but as a means to an end.

That end is, perhaps, academic success, a goal supported by the very teachers and administrators who regularly enforce the honor code.

This is not, of course, an excuse for the incidents but merely a possible reason. It is not, however, the only possible explanation for the large number of honor violations among members of the freshman class. Such numbers could simply be caused by the larger number of students enrolled in the class of 2006. An increase in the percentage of freshman students who live on campus may also have contributed to the increase, as many honors violations involve illicit alcohol in residence halls. There is any number of reasons for the freshman class's 18 honors violations.

The important thing is for students and faculty to realize that problems with honor code violations are not just one to be addressed by the class of 2006. Honor code violations have occurred in every class and have the potential to affect any and all members of the student body.

The honor code must be embraced by each of CNU's students before the University will truly become a community of honor.

## Dry Campus: A Band-Aid On Cancer For Those Of Age

### Off-Campus Security Lacks Safety For Students Who Choose To Drink

BY STEFAN VELDHIJS  
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When referring to the current policy of drinking on campus, President Tribble has said, "I'd rather our students open books than beers."

Although this statement displays brilliant rhetoric from the retired Republican Senator, in reality, his quote denotes a sense of shallow thought on an issue in which our student body is drowning.

In essence, the idea of a dry campus is meant to help students concentrate on their schoolwork while keeping them safe from the potential harms that could incur through alcohol-induced, reckless behavior.

Some students, it is argued, have a motivational or moral dilemma when and if they are put in a situation in which drinking is involved in the context of on-campus use.

It seems that while these concerns are legitimate and potentially serious, the logic behind how they are being dealt with is mediocre at best.

The solution the current administration has chosen to this problem unfortunately puts students in situations that could compromise their morals and safety to an even greater magnitude, if and when they are thrust into volatile situations in a city that has proven to be merciless, at times, towards its inhabitants.

An example of this is the shooting that occurred within the last month, not even a mile from the campus, at Savannah's.

A club, ironically, gives students who live on campus an opportunity to engage in social activity that usually includes the consumption of alcohol.

Instead of being able to enjoy a drink in the comfort of his or her own dorm, students, of age, who choose to drink must do so in an erratic environment.

The policy at hand keeps students in check by inhibiting their rights, instead of educating them in regards to the possibilities and statistics concerning alcohol, and in turn, trusting them to make

the right choice as educated citizens who are investing their precious money in return for a diploma.

After all, the generation of students at hand will surely need the responsibility of individual decision-making in the "real world" after their respective education has been completed.

The quiescence of the canon at hand is a non-trusting, restrictive rule created by an autonomous leadership that diminishes the privileges of those who, of age, would otherwise choose to consume alcohol as they see fit.

Surely, one must agree that underage drinking, because of the laws instituted by the state government that clearly condemn such an action, is unacceptable in this context.

By forcing students off campus to drink, the University is essentially putting a Band-Aid on the cancer of potential off-campus harm.

Yet, those who are 21 years of age and older, who are paying for their education at a public institution, are receiving only an endorsement of ludicrous legislation in return for their investment.

A student 24 years of age living on the CNU campus cannot sit in his own room, after completing his obligations for the day, and enjoy a beer or glass of wine.

The dry campus that students are left to deal with condones off-campus consumption through lack of viable on-campus options for those of age who choose to drink.

What it leaves students with is potential for automotive irresponsibility and offends persons willing to sacrifice morals to get others drunk, away from the comfort and security of their own dorms.

The rates of drunk driving are increased in addition to potential injury to persons who may be involved in drinking.

Young men, and especially women, can be faced with the unfeigned reality of abuse, manipulation and even rape when exposed to a policy

that throws them onto the streets, into the homes of off-guards individuals and out of the security of their university dorms.

Fraternities could (or arguably have) become dens of depravation as opposed to caring communes, as they were originally designed, thus opening up potential for the raze of reason and rise of recklessness.

The focus of many off-campus organizations has shifted from scholastics to the spirits through the prohibitive rules that force students out of their dorms to pursue drinking, essentially condoning irresponsible actions by putting a bureaucratic stamp of approval on many such off-campus organizations.

By forcing students off campus to drink, the University is essentially putting a Band-Aid on the cancer of potential off-campus harm by soothing over parents and onlookers with a statement of status quo, while students suffer the effects of this subtle subterfuge.

The most equitable answer to the problem at hand is to allow on-campus drinking for those who are of age so they are not forced into an unpredictable world to do what they should be allowed to do in their own dorms.

The possibilities to alleviate temptation for those that are either under age or feel subjected to moral depravation involve separating living arrangements on the basis of age or preference.

This simple, yet reasonable solution could allow both minors and those who feel morally convicted to steer clear of potential problems while allowing those 21 years and older to drink responsibly in the safety and security of their rooms.

The fact remains, CNU is a public institution, and students who are investing their valuable funds simply deserve more freedom to pursue their education and daily life in a manner that they see fit.

All in all, the biggest concerns of the current alcohol regulations deals with the lack of off-campus security and safety for those who choose to drink and the paucity of trust on the part of the dormitory.

Paul Tribble should consider those of age to enjoy themselves in a responsible manner in exchange for the fiscal imbursement the students sustain for their residency and education.

It makes sense to have a safer student population and a community of learning in which candid communication and honest learning take the place of restrictive, fastidious policies that only serve as a facade, masking the real face of truth.

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■ Issue 19 of The Captain's Log did not include an Opinions section due to a printing error.

■ In correction to issue eighteen's Campus In Brief section: those who wish to participate with the National Kidney Foundation may contact SGA Vice President of University Relations Ashley Boyd or Rachel Potts, Regional Manager in Hampton Roads. The Kidney Walk will be held on May 4.

■ In correction to issue eighteen's Campus In Brief section: class officer applications are due by March 28 to the Office of Student Life, not the Class Officer room.

■ In the article "Softball Goes Two For Two In Wednesday Wesleyan Tournament" of issue eighteen's Sports section, catcher Andrea Thorsen did not advance from third base to second base due to a wild pitch; instead, she finished the inning with one run.



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## Maines' Comments Question Her Value For Money, Lives

In response to Jess Owens' commentary on "Natalie Maines' statements concerning ... [the then] ... impending war against Iraq," her article loses credibility in the last statement. She fails to realize that the President of the United States has taken an unpopular (in the minority) stance when declaring war on Iraq.

President George W. Bush has remained steadfast on his policy, unlike Natalie Maines, whose

popularity has slipped with country and western radio stations.

Now what do you think is really more important to her: the almighty dollar or the loss of soldiers' lives in Iraq? I, for one, am glad this article was printed, as I too will join others in banning her music. It brings back the visions of our POWs in Vietnam War camps listening to the propaganda from the likes of Jane Fonda.

And now to the last sentence of the article, which

states that radio stations have just as much right to voice their opinion as Natalie Maines does, by banning her music. Let us do the math ... 82 percent of Republicans and 50 percent of Democrats support this war! As a Country & Western artist, Maines is also showing her insensitivity to her fans that may support the current war with Iraq.

Yvette Goolsby  
Senior

## Bush Administration Should Have Waited On U.N. Help With Iraq

At first glance, America's military action in Iraq seems to be a sharp break from the nation's traditional foreign policy path.

However, this policy of pre-emption doesn't run as counter to America's history as one might think.

It's just the latest instance of America's leaders going against the international grain to forge their own path and play by their own rules.

Part of America's illustrious legacy is the spirit of rebellion embedded in history — since those nonconformists threw the tea off the boats in 1773.

From rejecting the League of Nations to rejecting the Kyoto Protocol, this country has never been afraid to flout the opinions of others and go it alone, and the consequences usually work in our favor.

But I'm afraid we may have gone too far this time.

The Bush administration manipulated the United Nations to gain domestic support for an essentially unilateral war effort (I know there's a 45-member coalition, but who do you think supplies the bulk of the troops and foots the bill?).

Thus, the United Nations faces charges of "irrelevance," jeopardizing its future effectiveness.

In the buildup to war, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld somehow managed to alienate or offend just about every major ally we've had in the last 60 years, causing who knows how much damage to these key relationships.

Even with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, at which the bulk of stability is held, rifts erupted.

I don't doubt that our troops are capable of a resounding victory in the military campaign against Iraq.

It's the postwar reconstruction that concerns me.

U.N. support would be crucial at this stage, because the presence of U.N. peace-keeping troops — instead of simply American troops — lets the Iraqi people and the rest of a skeptical world know that the goal of a democratic Iraq truly has international support and just intentions.

This would give the campaign a sense of legitimacy it currently lacks.

I fear the Bush administration underestimated the value of the United Nations. Without the covering of the world's blessing, America has opened itself up to more charges of imperialism from anti-Americans and extremists alike.

Honestly, I trust the United Nations would build more than the President. The upcoming presidential election will be a huge

distraction when attention should be focused on Iraq.

How can I trust this administration to meet the daunting challenge of rebuilding Iraq when they tried to push colossal tax cuts in the face of surging military costs?

That action sends the message that the rich can have their cake and eat it too while the sons and daughters of the middle class worker fight their war.

I hope that as the war progresses, the Bush administration takes a good, long look at its role in the shaping of America's future from this point in time.

I hope they will make it a priority to restore the strained friendships that are crucial to success in the global fight against terrorism.

I hope they realize that the United Nations is actually beneficial to America by providing the legitimacy and framework needed to achieve many American goals.

If none of this does come to pass, at least hope Congress will do more with its time and our money than demand a name change to "freedom fries."

David L. Phoenix  
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## Sex And Love At CNU: Those Silly Politicians! Whacked-Out Va. Sex Laws

### The Weird Laws That Partners Need To Be Aware Of

BY RACHEL GILLERLAIN  
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Did you know that currently, anywhere in the Commonwealth of Virginia, it is illegal to tickle a woman? Leftover from our Puritan days (think Hester Prynne), laws regarding sexual conduct in the United States have long been a source of humor as well as controversy.

However, as a pre-law friend of mine pointed out, some regulations that might be regarded as ridiculous really serve a practical purpose in the modern day: the further incrimination of sex offenders.

That said, it's still fun to laugh at some extremely outdated and senseless laws. And because there are so many good ones available on the Internet, I have chosen to highlight those that have more local interest for our CNU community members.

First the basics ... Not only is it illegal to participate in sexual activity outside of wedlock, but oral and anal sex as well as intercourse in any position other than missionary is forbidden to married couples.

FYI, according to the Code of Virginia as posted on the state Web site, you may lose your Virginia driver's li-

cense if you are convicted of unlawful nudity (and that includes streaking or skinny-dipping in any public place, college kids!).

I reiterate that perhaps these laws might be useful when prosecuting rapists, flashers and peeping toms. I am definitely all for putting malicious criminals in jail for a long, long time. But, consider the implication of a governmental decree that limits sexual activity among consenting adults — that is, that if the government says don't do it, it must be wrong — and you may agree that we are literally "writing ourselves to death."

Meanwhile, these largely un-enforced laws are still hilarious. Listen to this quotation from the Code of Virginia: "§ 18.2-361. Crimes against nature: A. If any person carnally knows in any manner any brute animal, or carnally knows any male or female person by the anus or by or with the mouth, or voluntarily submits to such carnal knowledge, he or she shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony, except as provided in subsection B." Can you imagine a politician drafting that with a straight face? Now that's comedy!

Municipalities in the Commonwealth also work to stop sexual deviance. In Remboch, Va., "It is illegal to engage in sexual activity with the lights on." And, in Virginia Beach, it is illegal for a woman to ride on the handlebars of a bicycle, that tidbit is for the dirty perverts who should change their disgusting conduct on the boardwalk from now on.

Once an adult film hotspot, Norfolk seems to have the greatest build-up of obsolete policies. According to several Web sites, all women are required by law to wear corsets in public when in the current hub of Hampton Roads.

What's more, at one time to enforce this law, "there was a civil-service job — for men only — called a corset inspector." Also in Norfolk, an old regulation states "no one may have sex while riding in the sidecar of a motorcycle while cruising down a city street."

And according to another Web site, "such activity is considered to be a 'licentious sexual act.' I wonder what midnight cowboy achieved that great feat repeatedly enough for such a law to be written. And fella, think twice before smacking a lady's behind in Norfolk, because you could be looking at 60 days in jail.

Virginia is not by any means extraordinary in its catalogue of bizarre orders. It's a good idea to be aware of any new laws when you travel. According to at least one Web site, sex with a porcupine is outlawed to Floridians, and moose in Alaska are not allowed to copulate on the sidewalk. Information for this article was obtained from the following Web sites:

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<http://legis.va.state.us>  
[www.dribbleglass.com](http://www.dribbleglass.com)  
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[www.coolrules.com](http://www.coolrules.com)

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## Local Student Innocently Penetrates National Security

### Safety Efforts Must Be Strong To Be Effective

BY JENN ROWELL  
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While war is looming, government officials are leaving no stone unturned in preparing for an attack.

Or are they? The FBI and the Justice Department have increased the use of wiretaps and record searches, according to the Washington Post. The national security level is orange — high risk.

In New York, parked cars were towed from in front of churches and synagogues. In South Carolina, probation officers were assigned to guard nuclear plants. In California, scuba divers inspected the hulls of ships docking at Los Angeles Harbor, the state highway patrol has doubled manpower at bridges, waterways and electrical grids, and more than two dozen surveillance aircraft have been deployed to patrol over important buildings and other sites.

The Federal Aviation Administration has added limitations to flights over sports stadiums and tightened already strict restrictions in Washington, D.C. and New York. So, it amazes me that while the country is scrambling to protect itself, my roommate, who has no military affiliation and no military identification, was waved onto Langley Air Force Base with no hassle

whatsoever.

My father is retired Air Force lieutenant colonel, and I have the privilege of using military services until I graduate from college, unless I marry a military man.

As a result of the threat of terrorism, the base look like a maze of concrete barriers, cones and guards. It still escapes me as to how concrete barriers and cones are going to stop someone who really wants to blow up an air force base. It does, however, make the base look like a parking lot outside some sort of concert with lines formed and people in uniform out directing traffic. The guards at Langley no longer wave people through, even if they have a military sticker on their car.

Before Sept. 11, if your car displayed a military sticker, the guards would simply salute you and wave you onto the base. Every time I go to the base in the post-Sept. 11 era, I have to stop and show my ID at the gate. Instead of just glancing at the picture, they now check the picture, look at your face and back at the picture a few times, and check the expiration date.

So when my roommate told me that she was waved through, I was frustrated to see the least. My roommate had to go to Langley to babysit on the night of March 22. Since she is not military, she needed a sponsor to get onto the base. The woman for whom she was baby-sitting was her sponsor.

The woman had called the guards at the gate to let them know that my roommate would be coming.

When my roommate got there, she explained to the guard that she was there to baby-sit. She was supposed to show her driver's license or some other form of photo identification. My roommate showed her ID to the guard, but she told me that he didn't even pay attention to it and just waved her right on through the gate.

She pointed out the fact that the guard was a young man, and so maybe any pretty girl can be waved through without all the usual hoopla. While this may not be the case, it does send a chill down my spine. Even though it was my roommate telling me this story, and not just some random person I overheard talking in class, it makes me wonder how safe we really are.

True, I don't really think any attacks are likely on the U.S. mainland, but this lack of thoroughness makes me question if any other security measures are lacking.

If it happens once, it is bound to happen twice. I highly doubt that my roommate's penetration of base security was an isolated incident. My roommate was, in innocent America with a legitimate reason to be on the base, but the blatant disregard for protocol just upsets me to no end.

With American men fighting for our security and freedom, I truly believe that the effort should start here at CNU. If America is going to take a stand and tighten security, then I think it should be done thoroughly and completely. No half-hearted efforts are going to get the job done.

# ArTs & EnTertainmEnT

## Observational Humor Help! Has Anyone Seen My Cell Phone?

BY STEVE HOFSTETTER  
Guest Columnist

I have never been one to accessorize. Beyond my watch and a pair of glasses, I am a guy based on a simple wardrobe. I add a jacket in the fall and gloves in the winter, and that is the extent of my fashion trimmings. But for the past three years, my main piece of clothing has been my cell phone. Wednesday morning, I felt naked.

I'd lost my phone the night before, and spent all of Tuesday and most of Wednesday making sure all of my friends knew just how annoyed I was by making sure they were just as annoyed. The one thing more annoying than losing your cell phone is having your friend repeatedly complain that he lost his.

I was running late for a stand-up show and hopped in a cab to save some time. We pulled up as the show was supposed to start, and I checked my pockets quickly as I got out of the cab. Having left my cell phone in a cab two weeks after I first got it, I've been feeling the outside of my pants pockets every time I stand up for the last three years. Not just to check if my phone fell out, but also because it also feels kind of nice.

That day, I was carrying a tape of one of my past shows with me, and mistook this for my phone. Were I not running late, perhaps I would have been able to tell the difference between a tape and my phone. And were I not an idiot, I certainly would have been able to tell the difference. Either way, I left my phone sitting in the cab and the cab left me standing on the street, naked. This was not the first time I'd been left naked on the street by a cab driver, but that's another story for another time.

Ten minutes later, I was sitting in the club and I reached for my phone to make a call. It wasn't there. Frantically, I tried dialing the phone. When that didn't work, I checked my other pocket. Then, I checked my first pocket again, as if I could have somehow missed the phone the first time. I did that every half hour for the rest of the night. I even checked my pocket the next day, which was weird because I was wearing different pants.

After a thorough search of every chair I had or hadn't sat on since I'd arrived at the club, I accepted that my phone was no longer in my possession.

I tried calling it. Nothing. I tried calling it again. Still nothing. I checked my pocket one more time to be safe. I couldn't think of any way I was ever going to see my phone again, so I left this clever message on the voicemail.

"If you have found this phone and are checking the voicemail, please call me at (insert home number here). There is a small cash reward."

As much as most people would jump at the idea of a cash reward less sizeable than an average cash reward, I had to try other methods. I hadn't gotten a receipt from the cabbie. I didn't have my home number written on the back of the phone. And I had left the thing on vibrate so it couldn't even ring.

I hadn't done anything that would help me recover my phone if I ever lost it, even though I was thinking of all kinds of preventative measures after the fact (see hindsight, 20/20).

The next morning, I called Sprint. Apparently, when I switched plans last month, I didn't tell them to re-register me in the equipment replacement program. I'd saved the whopping \$3, but was ineligible for a phone replacement. And just when I was about to yell at the Sprint woman for my own mistake, it dawned on me: I checked my pockets. After the phone still wasn't there, I asked Sprint if any calls had been made on my account after 9PM the previous night.

It turns out that the cabbie called a buddy of his to see what to do with the phone. The cabbie friend helped me retrieve my phone a few hours later, and I offered that small cash reward.

He turned it down, but accepted two free tickets to a future comedy show of his choosing. To which I hope I am not running late because I don't want to lose my phone again.

Now that I am fully clothed once more, I have not written my home number on the back of the phone, have taken several calls without asking for a receipt, and have continuously left it on vibrate. But it's still here, thankfully, residing comfortably in my pocket.

Though I'm going to have to check to make sure.

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## CNU TONIGHT And 'Random Frequencies' Hit And Miss During Latest Performance



CNU TONIGHT shows what really goes on at girls' sleepovers, while their boyfriends dream about less innocent events. As with all of the group's skits, this was written and directed by members, in this case Ashley Boyd.

### CNU's Much Anticipated Sketch Comedy Show Had Funny Moments, But Lacked The Humor Of Past Episodes

BY JESI OWENS  
A&E Editor

CNU's very own sketch-comedy team rolled out last Thursday night for its final performance of the semester.

True to form, the group put on an hour-and-a-half show full of skits and music, similar to "Saturday Night Live."

Musical guest Random Frequencies did two songs between skits and led the audience out at the end of the night.

The show started off with a skit parodying the sometimes over-zealous Greek members at CNU during recruitment.

The fake fraternity, Pi Epsilon Zeta, or PEZ, held its membership recruitment with three pledges attempting to gain membership by their pink socks and talk about brotherhood.

When this didn't work, the veteran brothers pulled out their "secret weapons" yelling to passing college guys "Beer! Girls! Parties!"

After that, veteran CNU TONIGHT member Bethany Wright came onstage to kick off the rest of the night's events.

She explained that she was a senior, and this would be her last performance with the group, which made me realize that it would also be my last time seeing the show. This made me nostalgic and sad until she attempted to tell a joke about students procrastinating on their homework. It bombed, and made me think that she would know about procrastinating based on the quality of her monologue.

Anyway, the show continued with a few high points, including Adam Nadeau as a redneck dad in overalls, calling his wife "woman!" and reading the newspaper when she tried to talk to him.

WCNU was also brought into the show during a skit about two dorky disc jockeys who want to play classical music on the radio. "We'll play the best hits of the 80s," said cast-member Danny Mader with a Steve Urkel snicker. "The 1980s that is!" This skit was funny, but not hilarious.

The DJs were comical, but could only do so much with a skit requiring them to dance together to Baroque music. Although this could have been a bit funnier, the following skit redeemed not only so-so comedy, but also Bethany Wright's introduction.

Wright returned to the CNU TONIGHT stage as modern dance instructor Fresnia. If you have never seen her do this skit, you're missing out on one of the fun-



Shawn Whitehead portrays The Crocodile Hunter's attack of Crocodile Dundee during Thursday's skit.

niest things I've ever seen grace the stage at Gaines Theatre. She somehow brings grace and guffaw all into dances as varied as Riverdance and the bunny hop.

My personal favorite skit is usually CNN, or Christopher Newport News. This skit parodies "Saturday Night Live's" fake news show "Weekend Update," bringing us spoofed information on issues around campus and the world in general.

The commentators were funny, as were the "guests" they brought out. Three players acted like Screech from "Saved By The Bell," Mike Tyson, and Charlton Heston—"America's most unbiased celebrity."

This skit, however, didn't make me laugh as much as it normally does. Perhaps it was the moment where Screech suddenly forgot his line and let the audience know about it.

Tyson and Heston parodies ended up saving the skit, especially during Charlton Heston's "war commentary" which included statements like "gun-bless America," and other satirical commentary on the war with Iraq.

Possibly the funniest skit

of the night was CNU Idol, in which a commuter student with tons of talent, a Northern Virginia high school senior, and a local senior who drinks Coke compete for a spot at CNU.

Ashley Boyd's portrayal of Rosemary Tribe during this scene was quite hilarious, as was Shawn Whitehead's performance as Doug Shipley's freckish control over The Freeman Center.

Random Frequencies played during intermissions from the skits, leading a few of its core fans in hard rock rhythm.

However, many took the opportunity to go outside during their performance, missing out on this new CNU band's guitar riffs and bass lines. I can't say I totally blame them. Nevertheless, to the credit of Random Frequencies, they haven't been together very long and have greatly improved since I last saw them perform.

Overall, the show was not the worst I'd ever seen, but certainly not the best. I've seen better acting. I've heard better music. But I'm still sad I won't be able to see another. Despite it all, the show still left me wanting to come back for more.

## 4th Annual Miss Essence Crowned

### Kamala Hill Wins Annual MSA Contest

BY JESI OWENS  
A&E Editor

The Multicultural Student Association held its fourth annual Miss Essence Pageant on March 25 in Gaines Theatre.

The show, hosted by MSA members Candace Calhoun and Corey Mickleberry, was the classiest

one I've seen since the pageant's inception.

Six lovely contestants competed in several categories of competition, including introduction, talent and evening gown.

The Silver Storm dance team kicked off the show with a Mardi Gras dance at the beginning of the show and then proceeded to sit in the front row and cheer contestants on throughout the rest of competition.

Contestants competed under special nicknames, such as MissAKAmplified—Stacy Davis, or Miss Under-

stood—Cassie Reynolds.

This aspect made the show even more entertaining, and made it a lot easier to keep track of who was whom.

Angela Kusaj—Miss Intuitive—did an excellent job during the talent portion of the competition. Kusaj performed a traditional Native American dance for the audience, who seemed to have varying reactions. It tied in nicely with the "essence" of the pageant.

MSA President Brad Hunter spoke during intermissions and attempted to gain cheers from the crowd

by surveying what other campus organizations were present.

Things could have turned ugly while Hunter was throwing Mardi Gras beads out to the audience, when he accidentally hit a woman in the head with a setti-

on. The festivities ended when Miss Electic, Kamala Hill, was crowned the 4th Annual Miss Essence.

She will reign until next year's competition, which—if things continue in this fashion—will only be better than the last.



Tom Storrer/The Captain's Log

Miss Essence 2003, Kamala Hill, is crowned by her predecessor, Jeanice Stewart, during last week's show.





# Sports

## Lady Captains Fall To Randolph-Macon 16-6

### Lady Captains Fall To Nationally Ranked Randolph-Macon

BY ROB SILSBEE  
Staff Writer

CNU's women's lacrosse team faced nationally ranked Randolph-Macon squad last Tuesday, losing 16-6. RMC was ranked 19 in the nation for women's lacrosse as it took the field against the 3-4 CNU team.

The Lady Captains controlled the game early, as Sally Alstad scored within two minutes.

Elaine Kirby scored and brought the differential to 2-0 with 21:00 left in the first half. Macon put one in, but Natalie Musashie answered, reclaiming the two-goal lead at 3-1.

"We came out strong with three goals," said junior Goalie Elizabeth Werbis. "We knew we were able to compete but we just lost the momentum we had with the lead we grabbed early on in the game."

After the Musashie goal with 17:39 remaining, however, the Lady Hornets kicked up its intensity.

With designed screenplays and cutters inside, Randolph Macon scored five goals before the end of the half, bringing the score to 6-3.

Kelly Jaeger, giving her a quick hat trick, scored three of the first four goals. Megan Ayers and Mandy Dougherty scored two and one respectively.

Going into the half, the



Freshman Sally Alstad scores against Randolph-Macon on Tuesday's game. Alstad was the leading scorer.

Captains' defense was doing the best it could, allowing only six goals on 18 shots.

when we proved we could play with this team."

The second half was much of the same story. With Alstad scoring another, Hadley Silver's following shot brought the Captains' offense to five goals.

The first fifteen minutes proves the talent and potential our young team has," said junior Katherine Swisher.

After allowing two however, the Hornets made it difficult to score again, controlling the ball on the offensive end. Scoring by committee, several players on the Macon squad scored.

At the end of the game, Dougherty and Jaeger each had four goals, and Ayers added three.

Each goal scored was an individual effort. All goals contributed were unassisted. Alstad and Silver continue to contribute each game in the offensive arena.

"The first 15 minutes proves the talent and potential our young team has."

Team Member  
Katherine Swisher

Goalie Liz Werbis saved five.

"We knew we were able to compete with Randolph Macon," said Werbis, "We just seemed to get scared



Head Coach Kwame Lloyd gives a pep talk to his young players on Tuesday's game against Randolph-Macon.

Werbis saved a total of 11 on 27 shots on goal. Alstad added a last-minute attack to earn a hat trick, but it wasn't enough for CNU.

The Lady Captains face Dixie Conference opponent Averett on Saturday and Frostburg State on Sunday.

## Captains Shut Out St. Mary's 23-0 On Saturday

### Captains Remain Undefeated In Dixie Conference; Improve To 10-3 Overall

BY ROB SILSBEE  
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, freshmen Cary Bruner took the mound as the Captains' baseball team defeated St. Mary's squad from Maryland 23-0. Ray Simmons started for the St. Mary's squad.

The top of the first didn't

amount to much for St. Mary's as Bruner retired the side. CNU exploded right away in the bottom of the first. The first seven batters reached base for the Captains.

Jeremy Elliot and Ricky Medina singled, with Medina bringing in injury for an RBI. Matt Turner doubled to the left-center gap scoring Medina.

Chris Phaup stepped in and drilled a two-run home run, upping the score to 4-0. Followed by a walk to Scotty George, John Corbin singled, and Matt Lewellen was hit by a pitch to load the bases.

Elliot reached on an error to bring in two more runs, adding to the six-run first inning.

The Captains' six runs, five hits and two left on base after the bottom of the first

did not bear any light for the St. Mary's team. Bruner continued to pitch ground balls, earning three innings of no-hit baseball before the Captains bats had another big inning.

In the bottom of the third, George singled, followed by a fielder's choice finding Lewellen at first base. Collier reached base and advanced.

Lewellen on an error by the shortstop. Dave Diebler also reached on an error, scoring the two base runs. Elliot then popped up for a sacrifice bringing up Medina, who blasted a solo home run to up the score 10-0.

After five innings of no-hit baseball, Bruner sat down with three strikeouts and after a big bottom half of the fifth, 18 runs of support.

The eight runs in the bot-

tom of the fifth were the result of a Chris Phaup grand slam and steady hitting otherwise.

In the top of the sixth, Eben Brower pitched an inning to match Bruner's intensity allowing, no hits.

The bottom of the sixth earned two more runs on three hits for CNU, marked by Will Auman's 2-RBI double.

Aaron Jaggers came in to pitch for Brower in the top of the seventh, earning one strikeout in an inning of work.

Jaggers got two runs of support in the bottom of the seventh, bringing the score to 22-0.

Steven Mingee matched Jaggers, outing with a strikeout in one inning of work in the top of the eighth, which earned one run of sup-

port to post the final score 23-0.

Ben Jarvis retired the side 1-2-3 in the top of the ninth to end the game. The Captains earned a pitch-by-committee 2-hit shutout. Bruner's ERA dropped to a conference third place at 1.38.

CNU earned 23 runs on 22 hits in just eight innings at the plate. Nineteen RBIs for the team with Phaup earned six with his two home runs. The CNU bench earned seven hits and six RBIs.

St. Mary's tossed eight different pitchers to try to evade the force of the Captains' offense but left the game with a deficit of 23.

CNU played Averett last weekend and will face off against Ferrum this weekend for Fan Appreciation Weekend Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m.

## Women's Tennis Adds Two More Wins

### Women's Tennis Remains Unbeaten

BY ANDREW CROOK  
Staff Writer

CNU women's tennis team is now 4-0 overall and 2-0 in the Dixie Conference.

It took its third and fourth straight victory over St. Mary's 9-0 and Shenandoah University 7-2. CNU remains unbeaten for the season.

In Thursday's match against St. Mary's, CNU won all the singles and doubles competition.

The top seeds dominated 30 matches. The Captains' number one seed Megan Mathis won with ease 6-2 and 6-1.

Joanna McCandlish won in straight sets at number two, 6-2 and 6-3. Third seed Krystal Caprio crushed her opponent 6-1 and 6-0.

Mathis and Caprio had no problem with St. Mary's best pairs, winning 8-2. The Lady Captains' number two doubles team Joanna McCandlish and Ashley Alston won 8-3, while Melissa King and Joy Brantley won by forfeit at the number three doubles.

On Saturday, the Lady Captains traveled to Winchester, Va. to take on conference opponents Shenandoah University. Although the Captains won some early key matches, they were able to pull out the win today.

As for the singles match, Mathis lost 6-3, 1-6 and 2-6, and McCandlish also lost 4-6 and 2-6.

Krystal Caprio defeated Shenandoah's third seed 6-4 and 6-0. Jessica Vadas battled back and forth to win at the fourth seed 6-4, 4-6 and 6-0.

While Ashley Alston was victorious at number five with a score of 6-2 and 6-4, Melissa King crushed Shenandoah's sixth seed 6-1 and 6-0.

In doubles action, Mathis and Caprio won 8-5, while Alston and McCandlish crushed their number two doubles team 8-2.

Brantley and King dominated at number three, not even losing a set 8-0.

The women's tennis team looks to take its winning ways on the road for the next two games.

They will return home on April 6 at noon for a six-match home stand.

## CNU Students React To Favorites In The NCAA Tournament

### Texas The Only No. 1 Seed To Make Final Four

BY KATIE BRACKETT  
Sports Editor

This past weekend 16 teams competed to move on from the Sweet Sixteen to the Final Four. The drama of this event has captivated not only

college students of Division I schools but also college students all over the nation, including CNU.

In games such as No. 10 seed Auburn playing No. 3 seed Syracuse, it seems to be the underdog that seeds in this tournament do not apply. Underdog Michigan State played fifth seed Maryland and saw its dreams fulfilled as it moved on to the Final Four.

Last Sunday, one of the biggest upsets happened—No. 3 Syracuse faced the No. 1 seed

Oklahoma in the Elite Eight and advanced on to the Final Four.

On Thursday evening, Kansas faced Duke and amazed Head Coach Mike Krzyzewski. Eager fans anticipated the game, also known as "The true championship game" between two of the most well-known teams in America in College Basketball.

"Duke is so explosive offensively with players Dahnté Jones, who averages 30 points a game," said senior

Bridget Coffey, "but my hometown team is Maryland. They lost on Friday night to Michigan State."

Not only is money on the line for those who participate in trying to predict the brackets, but pride is for those who still remain loyal to their hometown favorites.

Butler was the lowest seeded team entering the Sweet Sixteen at No. 10. They matched up with the third-seeded Syracuse Orangemen. Butler lost 78-79.

"I thought I was going to

lose another game. Who would guess that a 10 seed would advance to the Elite Eight past a team like Syracuse?" asked junior Molly Reed.

The young Marquette team maintained its momentum from the win over No. 2 seed Pittsburgh as it faced Kentucky in the Elite Eight.

"I had Kentucky winning the whole tournament," said junior Chad Lamb, "Who thought Marquette would win over a team like Kentucky?"

The NCAA tournament still maintains a reputation for unpredictability.

In the Elite Eight, Syracuse faced No. 1 seed Oklahoma, a favorite for many to win the whole tournament. The Orangemen defeated Oklahoma 83-47. The Longhorns defeated Michigan State 85-76 in the Elite Eight.

Syracuse began the tournament at No. 3, Marquette at No. 3, Kansas at No. 2 and Texas as the sole No. 1 seed to survive this year's NCAA tournament.



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## Student Center To Be Plated In Pure 24kt Gold

### Tuition Increase To Fund Massive Bejeweled Building Campaign

BY MR. T  
Staff Writer

In one of its last acts of the session, the Virginia General Assembly has allowed all state colleges and universities move money from its construction fund to academics and vice versa. This new law has also allowed colleges and universities the ability to raise tuition as much as they see fit. The Board of Visitors and President Tribble immediately decided to raise tuition "and put the money exactly where it is needed," said Tribble.

When this news was announced in Wednesday's emergency faculty senate meeting, members of the Nursing, Education, and Sports and Wellness Management departments danced on the board room table, jubilantly breaking it, because they believed their jobs were saved.

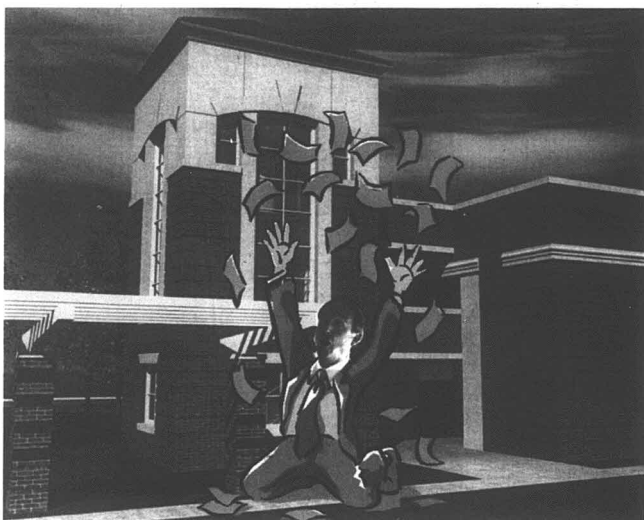
Sadly, that was not the case.

Although the tuition raise will generate roughly \$600,000,000, all the money will go towards the construction of the new student center, located next to the currently "Really Big" Lawn. If any student cannot pay the tuition raise of about \$100,000 per student, the increase will be passed on to the out-of-state students.

"I have called all of our new buildings dazzling or glittering jewels of the campus," Tribble said on Wednesday after the dancing professors realized that they were still out of a job. "With this increase, our newest building actually will be a glittering jewel." The money will allow Tribble to go ahead with his original plan of building the student center entirely of gold.

Inside the gold doors of the new student center, students will find a three-story atrium covered with diamonds, jade, and platinum. Also on the first floor a 24-karat gold reproduction of the roof of the Sistine Chapel depicting Tribble as God.

On the second floor, students will be treated to a shopping center and game room adorned with rubies, sapphires, and marble. The game room will feature a sterling silver pool table and a



President Paul Tribble celebrates the recent leeway given by the General Assembly as to how tuition can be spent.

gold plated Ms. Pac-man machine, valued at over \$50,000. The centerpiece of the food court will be tables hand carved from the last ebony and mahogany trees in the world, as well as the actual Trevi Fountain from Rome.

On the third floor, all student clubs and organizations will live in the lap of luxury. Not only will all of them receive a spacious office but also their own personal but-

ler who will do all the tasks of maintaining a club or organization, such as presiding over meetings and being present in the SGA. In fact, the Captain's Log received an advance on its butler, Jacques, and he is writing this article while Tyrone takes a refreshing nap.

Although Tribble calls the Gold Student Center "the ultimate expression of 'Students First,'" not everyone is

happy about it.

"First I find out that I'm out of a job to make room for a giant lawn," said history professor Dr. Mario Mazzarella, "and now we're going to build a gigantic gold student center! Someone needs to take a stand!" Mazzarella plans on sending out a mass e-mail to rally students to protest the Gold Student Center, but it will most likely be lost in the swelling

pride over The Greatest Lawn Ever.

Construction on the Gold Student Center will begin on May 8 after the building rubble is cleared from the Greatest Lawn Ever project. The golden ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for December 2004. When asked why the building will be made of gold, Tribble said, "Because I love gooooooooold."

## Lawn Loses "Great" Status

### Now To Be Known As 'Really Big Lawn'; Newer Lawns To Be Bigger, Greater

BY YOUR MOMMA  
That's Right, This Mom  
Written By Your Mom

The Dixie Conference, in changing its name to USA South, creating new requirements for all of its participating schools.

Along with mandating a sports history class (which consisted of watching tapes of SportsCentury) at every school and a height restriction for all basketball players, USA South increased the size requirements for all great lawns.

By upping the requirements," said Kevin Evans, USA South's Director of Weights and Measures, "we will be introducing a higher quality of lawns into play, enhancing the prestige of the conference."

The requirements, stating that a lawn must be treeless and at least 500 square feet, have left CNU with a lawn that isn't exactly great anymore.

An e-mail from Evans to Director of Athletics C. J. Woolloom on March 24 stated that "the Lawn, formerly known as Great, will be now designated as the 'Really Big Lawn' and will no longer be able to participate in the Division Three Tournament of Lawns."

Woolloom was unavailable for comment because he has taken the remainder of the semester off to let the reality of CNU having only a Really Big Lawn sink in.

"This is indeed a sad day for CNU," said Steve Pappas, Director of Auxiliary Services, "but we have a plan to make our lawn eligible for play by the start of the fall semester."

At the end of exams, every tree between McMurren Circle and Santoro Hall will be cut down; the Science Building, Greenhouse, Gosnold Hall and McMurren Hall will be imploded; and all sidewalks will be taken up.

This will leave an immense expanse of lush, green grass far greater than any lawn in the USA South.

When asked where all the science and history classes will go after the buildings are destroyed, President Tribble commented that those departments will be closed and all monies for those departments will go toward maintaining "The Greatest Lawn Ever."

The Faculty Senate called an emergency meeting on Wednesday

and unanimously agreed to contribute more than half of its salaries for ropes to block any student who attempts to walk on the future Greatest Lawn Ever.

Additionally, it suggested that students majoring in history or the science will be switched over to horticulture, and they will be given the honor and privilege of protecting The Greatest Lawn Ever, ending the controversy surrounding the use of the ROTC.

"I am proud to have my major cut to preserve the greatness of our lawn," said sophomore Brandon George as he watched a demolition crew wire the Hunter Crech Lab with explosive charges.

Ferrum College, poised to avenge its consecutive defeats by the football team, is also planning to enlarge its lawn with an ambitious plan to buy 250 square miles of Nebraska prairie land.

The USA South is currently reviewing its bylaws to see if having a lawn domiciled in another state is a lawful act.

"You can be assured that this matter will be addressed with gravest consideration," said Big Will, USA South's Rules Guy.

If the Ferrum "Greater Than CNU's Lawn" comes into play, Tribble commented that he is poised to purchase and level the entire city of Suffolk.

## 'Couch People' Take Over Student Government

BY PILL OW  
Wannabe Senator

The Couch People officially took over the Student Government Association (SGA) Monday afternoon.

As SGA officers prepared for the student Senate meeting on Monday, People from the Couch kidnapped the officers one by one. After the first two officers were declared "missing," student Senators, acting as bodyguards, surrounded the SGA office doors to prevent any further kidnappings.

"Me and my boys surrounded the doors just like we do at the entrance to the Alumnae Room to protect the officers during SGA meetings," said student Senator Bling-Bling.

Approximately thirty minutes after the second SGA officer was declared "missing," the remaining three officers were unable to be found.

As "bodyguard Senators" searched the SGA office for any clues, they found a hole directly over the Couch usually used by the Couch People.

"We had to get rid of them... they kept using the elevator to go upstairs instead of those dang stairs," said Cush Ion, the Couch

People's ring leader.

Many Senators gathered in the Alumnae Room unaware the SGA officers had been kidnapped for the usual Monday meeting.

"I walked into the Alumnae Room and instead of seeing the usual chairs with our names in them, I saw couches all disorganized and no names in sight," said Amend Ment.

As it became clear to the Senators that something unusual was going on, the Vice Executive Chair of the Couch People stood on a chair to address the body.

"It has come to our attention that many of you are confused as to what is going on. Please remain calm, take a seat on one of the lovely couches, and we will explain everything to you," said C-Reezy.

As the Senators scrambled to find places of comfort for their hineys, Vice Executive Chair C-Reezy spoke again.

"The SGA officers have been locked on the elevator in between the first and second floor. For the past seven months, the Couch People have been watching those lazy idiots take the elevator instead of the stairs to get to the SGA office. Now they will live the rest of their lives on the elevator, or sex-a-lator, whatever you all prefer to call it," said C-Reezy.



## New Music Program?



## Horses Take Over Freeman Center

## Captain Conductor



Due to recent budget constraints, Captain Chris' old job as CNU mascot just ain't cuttin' it any more. So, to supplement his already meager income, he has had to take advantage of his other skills. Did you know that our dear Captain was a concert violinist for 12 years? The students of Dozer Middle School (above) sure do, ever since Captain Chris began teaching music and band there.

## And You Thought They Were Harmless

### Tips To Avoid Squirrel Attack

- Keep all peanuts in sealed containers.
- Don't be afraid, they can smell fear.
- Yield the right-of-way to them when crossing the Great Lawn.
- Practice the buddy systems.
- Avoid dark, heavily wooded areas.
- Do not carry large sums of cash, travel with Traveler's Checks instead
- Always cross campus in those little golf carts
- Do not feed them after midnight, and never ever get them wet.



BY HARVEY  
DANGER  
Staff Writer

The Horticulture Club announced yesterday that the overabundance of squirrels has led to a saturation of feces among the campus' treasured plants and weeds, calling for full extermination of the "little rodents that have no place living in harmony with the University's strictly plantae agenda," said club president Jake Snake.

This has sparked controversy among the students and faculty who enjoy hand-feeding the squirrels between

classes, not to mention that the animals offer more intellectual competence than those who advocate their future extinction.

Mary Simplistic of the Anime Club dismisses Snake's proposal, saying, "I enjoy the squirrels because they are animals. And since my club has half of the word 'animal' in it, I will therefore condone any acts of defecation that the squirrels commit on campus."

Regardless, Snake's proposal to destroy every squirrel within a 700 square foot radius will go before Grounds Department's budget committee on Friday,

and the results are already being anticipated.

"What makes you think we can buy squirrel traps and pesticides when the library can't even buy books? Even better, we've already chosen to exterminate professors, but I have yet to see one of them pull out a newspaper on the Great Lawn and pop and squat," said seven-year student Ian Competent. "This says a lot about the daily political system in which we reside."

Others students predict that the war against squirrels will turn very, very ugly.

"We can't expect to start exterminating squirrels and not antici-

pate that they will react with the most hostile means possible," said John Freakisch, Biology Professor and self-proclaimed squirrel expert. "Students and faculty need to be aware that threatened squirrels commonly take revenge using big guns, nerve gas, and nuclear warfare. If we are going to launch a preemptive squirrel-attack, then we need to be prepared for the consequences."

Others look forward to the excitement that the squirrel war will bring and hope that the Grounds Department will approve the proposal and act immediately.

"For once I would like to walk to my classes without being persecuted by the pests' that rustle through every tree," Evan Nave said. "They should die."

Although the squirrels, according to Snake, jeopardize the well being of certain plants, the most prevalent factor that the budget committee will consider is the uncomfortable environment that the squirrels create for some students. The only question is whether the animals should be put to death for it.

## Virginia In Brief

### Budget Cuts Were Just a Joke, Governor Wammer Says

Massive budget cuts that swept across Virginia's institutions of higher education this year were, in actuality, an "elaborate" hoax. "April Fools!" Governor Wammer announced Monday. "Just joking guys - gotcha good, didn't I?"

The pretended budget cuts were a good way for Governor Wammer to "put the universities' problems in perspective. I couldn't handle all the complaining from college presidents. This was the perfect solution to stop all those pesky requests for more funding and other petty issues," said Wammer.

### Virginia Tech Cancels Football Program

Virginia Tech will no longer be participating in NCAA football, according to a recent press release. The change was pushed through by members of Tech's admissions department.

"Our football program was, admittedly, hugely successful, and therein lies the problem," said Patty Happyface, Director of Admissions for Virginia Tech. "The program at-

tracted so many applicants that our admissions staff could no longer take extended vacations to Bermuda and the Virgin Islands. Really, you have to draw the line somewhere."

Now that the football program has been eliminated, admissions officers expect a significant decrease in the number of applicants, and the celebrations have already begun.

"I've already booked a flight to the Florida Keys and bought a new bikini," Shelly Shimmy, Admissions Officer. "This is the best thing that's happened for our school's staff. Let's be honest: our school is already the size of a small city. It was time to put things in perspective."

### Jaws Is Dead Meat, Virginia Beach Lifeguards Say

After Jaws made a reappearance on Virginia's East Coast on Saturday, surfers and lifeguards alike declared war.

"This is a no-tolerance policy that's been a long time in coming," said Joe Cool, a member of the Beach Patrol.

Jaws' presence is a totally unnecessary distraction from the lifeguards' real duties: watching hot chicks in really small bikinis.

"Today, I counted 48 blondes who stood above six feet. That's down from 184 yesterday," said Cool.

## Campus In Brief

### Captains Work On Log

The Captain's Log stayed up until 7 a.m. on Monday to make sure the paper that you are reading right now would successfully go to print. CNU's newspaper holds staff meetings every Monday from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Student Center room 223. Anyone on campus is welcome to write for the paper.

### Einstein Coffee Is Inadequate

Einstein's coffee shop will be shut down next semester because Albert Einstein is dead. Nobody likes to drink coffee from a man whose body is probably decaying at this point.

### Large Cups, No Lids To Get Worked Out

There are no large lids in Discovery Café to match the large cups because of the budget cuts ... seriously. Nonetheless, SGA Vice President of Student Services Jeremiah Davis is negotiating with the Budget Advisory Committee to reinstate such preposterous, disturbing

and societal-frustrating inconveniences.

### Involvement

Something on campus is happening right now, and students are encouraged to get involved.

### What Time Is It?

Last semester, there was a clock in the Student Center across from the Bookstore. Students will be holding a rally on the Great Lawn on Wednesday to address this pressing issue. If anyone has any knowledge of who might have stolen the clock, he or she is in violation of the honor code if no leads are reported. People will be expelled.

### Plastic Flamingos Offer False Hope

The Biology Department is collecting pink plastic flamingos for the lobby of the science building. This will contribute to an elaborate hoax proliferated by members of science department, which is meant to cause students to believe that living flamingos do, in fact, reside in the greater Tidewater region.



# Arts et Divertissement

## Government Professor Is Surrogate Mother Of Michael Jackson's Child

Dr. Kimberly Cowell-Meyers Is Secretly The Mother Of Michael Jackson's Fourth Child; Students Are Shocked

BY WELLYA WANNA  
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King of Shock Michael Jackson is in the news again this week with the announcement that the mystery mother of his third child is now impregnated with the fourth. In this Captain's Log exclusive scoop, we've uncovered who that mother is, and also discovered that she is employed by CNU's Government Department.

Government and Political Science Professor Dr. Kimberly Cowell-Meyers announced her pregnancy to the school a few weeks ago, and has made her intentions clear that she will take next semester off following the delivery. What she did not disclose, however, is that she is actually the surrogate mother of Michael Jackson's latest addition to his doll—I mean child—collection.

Jackson has kept the identity of his surrogate mother a major secret from the media, insisting that he didn't know who she was. However, given his track record, she needed to be intelligent and blonde. The mother of his first two children, Debbie Rowe, is not exactly a dead ringer for Cowell-Meyers, but the fair skin and hair are enough of a similarity to keep some people speculating.

"I knew it was her," said Criminal Justice student Ramona Duncan. "As soon as I heard the rumor, I knew Dr. Cowell-Meyers was the mother of that baby. She takes off work sometimes, and goes on trips during the breaks, and now I know what she does while she's gone."



Mr. Cowell-Meyers? Father of teacher's baby revealed!

Cowell-Meyers denies the rumors, stating that she isn't opposed to the idea of surrogate mothering, even in the case of Michael Jackson, but "I couldn't deal with the daughter to be named Michael the 17th or whatever."

It would have to be a traditional Irish name, instead."

The Jackson camp was not returning any phone calls at press time, but a follow-up article from "The National Enquirer" is expected next week.

## Tupac Takes On The Intimidator During Supernatural Bar Brawl

Late Gangsta Rapper Goes Rounds With Late Racing Legend During Mechanical Bull Night At Savannah's

BY VIDA BLUE  
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In a bizarre twist following the recent violent acts occurring at local CNU nightclub, Savannah's, many students began to report having seen legendary gangsta rapper Tupac Shakur during their college night dance parties.

While this seems strange enough in itself, it is not en-

tirely unfeasible. I mean, Tupac just had a new hit single out on Z104 two months ago.

The story went strangely awry, however, when witnesses to the sighting began arguing with other witnesses.

Apparently Jimmy Bo Blankenship accused fellow club-goer Shaniqua Davis of giving the police false information with her report that Tupac had been in attendance. Blankenship stated that, while someone who could possibly have looked like Tupac might have been at Savannah's, it most definitely was not really him.

Blankenship did admit, however, that he did not really remember what Tupac looked like, and asked, "Wouldn't he be the one that sang that song bout 'big butts and I cannot lie'?"

Events got progressively stranger, according to the statements given to the police next. Blankenship, along with six other country-music

fans in line for the mechanical bull, testified that legendary race car driver Dale Earnhardt walked into the bar and demanded a free Budweiser, claiming that his son "makes enough money for that damn country to keep me drunk for the rest of my life."

Officers argued with witnesses that this scene could not have possibly happened, citing the live crash that killed Earnhardt a few years ago. Bartenders were also puzzled by "Earnhardt's" demand, reasoning that the rest of his life is already over.

Mulletts started flying towards the police after they attempted to explain this, with Earnhardt fans yelling, "If Tupac gets to live on, so does the 'Intimidator'!"

No one returned to these statements, mostly because they were speechless at the absurdity of them.

According to accounts, an old Dr. Dre song then came over the karaoke machine,

and everyone turned to notice someone who looked remarkably like the late Tupac Shakur singing his parts to the nineties hit "California Love."

Witnesses then reportedly stated that Dale Earnhardt stood on the mechanical bull and challenged Shakur to a go-round.

The tattooed rapper and mustached racer apparently then traded insults back and forth, with Shakur ending the argument by saying, "I'll see you in hell!"

All were speechless when suddenly an overweight male, between sixty and seventy in age, with dark hair and a southern accent swooped in wearing a white and gold lame jumpsuit, covered in fake jewels, and offered both the dueling celebrities barbiturates.

All three then left swiftly onto the back entrance, to the stunned dismay of the crowd.

## Professor X And Magento: Mutants Unite!

Outraged Theater Majors Are Not Alone

BY XANADAIS ALL-DAYUS  
Staff Writer

Due to the recent statements made by top ranking CNU officials (calling for a new bylaw made to the CNU handbook, requiring the declaration of theater-major status), today's point-counterpoint argument features two campus renowned experts on the ever-escalating situation regarding the subjugation of the Theatre CNU population, referred to commonly by non-theater majors at CNU as mutants. Dr. Charles Francis Xavier, referred to as "Professor X" and Erik Magnus Lensherr, known mysteriously among the Theatre CNU department as "Magenta."

Lensherr: In the past three years, the mutant population here at CNU has grown exponentially, and as it has, mutants continue to be persecuted for their nature.

We cannot help what we are. We were born theater majors. We will die theater majors. We will live our lives as theater majors, but we do not have to live our lives in fear.

My goal for the theatrical population on this campus is nothing less than complete control over the CNU community at large.

Xavier: I must agree with many of Erik's points, but the common goal of all theater majors should not be domination, but harmony with their fellow students. In fact, as a gesture of goodwill, I have decided to release the code names and real names of Theater CNU students. Please see attached list.

Erik has yet to understand my dream for CNU, to create a student body that can live together and peacefully co-exist.

Lensherr: The dream is dead, Charles, you foolish old man.

We have evolved beyond mere students, we are something more. We represent the next stage in student evolution.

Dreams are for those who sleep, Charles. Sleep all you like. I will lead our theater brothers into the future.

Already, I am building a haven for our kind... a place I like to refer to as Avalon... the students at CNU have come to know it as "The Center for the Arts."

Xavier: Dreams never die Erik, that's what makes them so spectacular. Do not take your hatred of a few out on the many.

Your housing lottery number was not assigned to you due to your status as a theater student, but it was simply that—a lottery.

And no, you did not get the classes you desired, but that gave you no right to start such an atrocity without the "normals."

Lensherr: The atrocity of which you speak,

Charles, is proof of theater majors' dominance over normal human students.

Only we, only I, as a dominant power could incite such violence in the freshman class.

Our kind BURNS for revolution, Charles. For too long have we suffered at the hands of non-theater majors. Yesterday, a young man was called a "geek" for being able to quote Hamlet's entire soliloquy. This is his god-given gift! We have lived for too long in fear of our abilities to keep hiding them. I challenge all theater majors to openly and proudly practice their craft. Together, as a unified force, we can rule over the normal human students!

Xavier: Erik, you ignorant slant. How can you think taking over a college is the answer? If we do not teach our theater majors to use their gifts for good, we will only

lead our children to a grand children to an existence much more harsh and disturbing than any atrocity any freshman class could conjure.

Leading our theater majors to war will only lead us to the complete destruction of CNU, and I will not sit by while a madman like yourself commits

commits "Captainicide." In order to combat your egregious transgressions against the school, I have organized a volunteer emergency response team known as the "CNU Players" to combat your lunacy.

Perhaps we will be able to find a peaceful resolution to this problem, but I will not. I cannot allow you to harm one single Captain.

Lensherr: Charles, you fool. I have, indeed, heard tell of these so-called "CNU Players," and as such have already compiled an elite team of my own operatives for our inevitable battles!

They have taken the name "The Brotherhood of Alpha Psi."

It saddens me, Charles, to think of what we might have accomplished had our friendship not been destroyed all those years ago. Goodbye, Charles. I give you only these words of advice: do not get in my way.

Doesn't it ever wake you in the middle of the night? That someone they will pass that foolish bylaw, and come to Gaines, looking for you, and for your thespians?

Xavier: It does indeed, Erik.

Lensherr: And what do you do when you wake to that?

Xavier: I feel a great swell of pity for anyone who comes to that department... looking for trouble.



Professor Charles Xavier, "Professor X"



Magnus Lensherr, "Magenta"

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## Trible Training Three-Legged Horse In The Freeman Center After Hours

### Late Night Practices Prove To Be Only Hope For CNU's Future

BY DAZED AND  
CONFUSED  
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According to an unnamed source on the equestrian team, CNU has a race-horse that is going to run in this year's Kentucky Derby. His name reportedly is Health-and-Wellness-on-the-run.

The horse is white with blue spots. He has only three legs but for a three-legged horse, Health-and-Wellness-on-the-run sure is fast. This gimpy horse was bought with the extra money that

out-of-state students bring in with their larger tuition.

Many people believe that CNU hardships have come from the money spent on getting this horse ready for the derby.

According to the source, they have been training him at night in the Freeman Center. "Initially I didn't think this would be the best idea for our million-dollar venue, but President Tribble convinced me otherwise," said Freeman Center Director Doug Shipley. That explains the mystery why the Freeman Center's lights are on all night.

"We were just walking back one night after doing work in the library," said students Sirena Davis and Erica Heil. "The lights were on and we thought we heard noises that appeared to be from a horse or mule."

The food for this horse has been nothing but the best. To be able to pay for this, Harbor Lights and Regatta's has had to cut back and buy

cheaper food. "The food used to be good at Regatta's," said Resident Advisor, Beverly Bartlett. "But lately the eggs in the breakfast bar have had pieces of shells in them."

Budget cuts were made to pay for his training. Parking raised money for his vet bills. The Veterinary bills entailed weekly trips especially grooming trips and plenty of

"The lights were on and we thought we heard noises that appeared to be from a horse or mule."

Students, juniors Sirena Davis and Erica Heil

hay for the ride home.

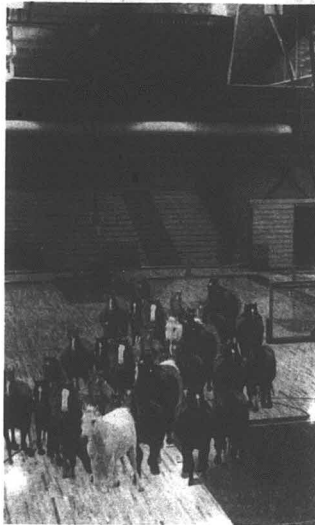
Health-and-Wellness-on-the-run will be responsible for the future of CNU. It all adds up to one thing: Health-and-Wellness-on-the-run is the only hope for CNU. Unfortunately this hag doesn't even compare to the speed of our track and cross-country team members.

A top secret inside source found that Tribble is going to bet everything on him to win, so if he does not win on that first Saturday in May... well, if you think the last round of cuts was bad, wait until you see what happens this time.

The Freeman Fanatics and Dean of Students Donna Eddleman are going to make it a campus-wide affair.

On May 3, make sure you come out to the Great Lawn and cheer "GO HEALTH-AND-WELLNESS-ON-THE-RUN. GO BABY GO."

Those of you who do not attend this event will be violating the honor code you swore on at your entrance to the school and will be expelled from CNU.



Late night practice for Health-and-wellness-on-the-run.

## Softball Team Crushes Chowan-a-be-a-College 75-0

### Harrell Breaks A Window And A Drama Student Breaks Her Foot; Threatening To Sue

BY FARVA  
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Highway Police Aid

At last week's softball game fans and mascots alike rushed the field as the Lady Captains defeated Chowan-a-be-a-college.

"Softball is just something we really love," commented CJ Woollum, "I fully support these young athletes." Woollum was among the students when they decided to rush the field.

Softball is now being recognized in SGA, stipulating that they attend SGA meetings and get their paperwork in on time. In this 100<sup>th</sup> in a row win, Jen Harrell had 34

home runs. On her fifteenth hit she upped Ferguson's value by hitting a window and raising Ferguson's worth to 75 cents on the dollar. "We just felt like retesting Ferguson," said Harrell. "The building is just ugly. Isn't it an old high school?"

Chowan-a-be-a-college played a hard fought game but after four innings of being shutout 75-0 they forfeited and cut their losses.

This is their tenth loss of the season. The players made a bet with the head coach stipulating that if they lost another game, he would have to run the bases naked.

"It was just a deal I made with the girls," said Coach Richardson. "I thought it would motivate them to win a game, obviously I was mistaken."

Freeman Fanatics made it out to this game and as the Chowan Head Coach, Rufus Richardson rounded the bases, Donna Eddelman and Steve Pappas ran with him yelling the CNU fight song. The Freeman Fanatics decided to strip down to their undergarments and participate in rounding the bases with good ole' Rufus.

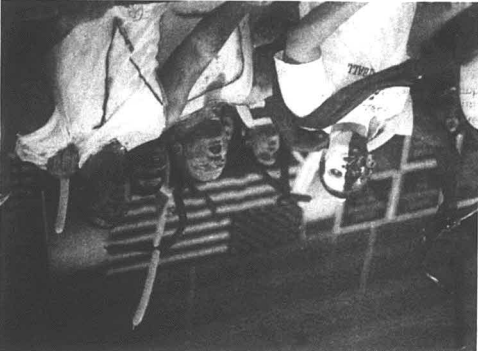
Highlights to the game occurred in the bottom of the first when Chowan player, Lotta Crap hit a line drive to short stop.

She took off for first base but after about ten feet, her new metal cleats broke and she fell face first into the dirt. As she tumbled down her pants tore and laid in the first baseline yelling, "Why couldn't my mom just buy me the good cleats!"

This unfortunate accident has sent her to shame and she no longer participates in the Dixie Conference, she has been demoted to the league below the Dixie, known as the "We Aren't Even Worthy Enough To Be In The Dixie Conference League." Young Lotta Crap had the sole hit for Chowan.

Jen Harrell's fifteenth home run into a class being held in the shoebox theatre, unfortunately young actors were practicing for a new and updated rendition of "The Vagina Monologues."

A player was injured as the ball sailed directly into her foot while she was resting in the line. "If you have a vagina, want a vagina, need a vagina (she was unable to



Fans rushing the field after a huge win! They still remain in the Dixie-Conference.

finish this line.) The young player (who will remain unnamed), has permanent damage to her foot and is suing the softball team. "Hopefully the drama majors will now be treated with more respect."

Chowan-a-be-a-college will no longer be a member of the Dixie Conference, they decided to join Lotta Crap in

her newly formed league.

Katie Brackett and Tom Stormer were the photographers present at the event, they were both sent to the hospital after trying to take pictures of naked Rufus running the bases.

They fought a good fight, but Chowan's softball team began bludgeoning them

with baseball bats when they tried to take pictures of their coach and of Lotta while she was crying.

"I was just trying to get an award, from the SGA Awards Banquet," said Stormer. Between Stormer and Brackett they participate in all the activities offered on campus.

## CNU Will Now Play In A More Competitive Conference; Hopefully, Yet To Be Determined

### Captain Chris Performs At Baseball Game; Sings 'Come Sail Away'

BY CITIZEN X  
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the Captains baseball team faced off against a tough competitor in the Averett Cougars. Unfortunately, the game was delayed as the Averett mascot got loose and chased Captain Chris away singing his own rendition of the Styx classic "Come Sail Away".

Soon after, however, the commentator struck up the

band for the national anthem, "Bom-b's Away". It was cut short, however, after being informed that the "Star-Spangled Banner" had yet to be replaced.

The first inning was underway when Jeremy Elliot, the star base-runner for the Captains was apprehended for stealing. As corny of a joke as it is, there is more to come.

Elliot, after returning from the misunderstanding, was commended for his 500 average, 33 hits, 33 runs scored, and 31 stolen bases. Elliot leads the team in all four categories. An anonymous quote was received that basically said: "he's not that great". This angry fan was seen later at the concession stand asking for a liter of cola, when he was unable to have a liter of cola he proceeded to

punch out the young man working the concessions. The young man known as Luke Skywalker had ten stitches to his face and suffered two cracked ribs. The violent fan

"He's not that good."

-Farva-Fan at the game

known as Farva is now being searched for by campus police.

Chris Phaup had an error at third because his mind was elsewhere. He was thinking about his last grand slam. It was huge, and he couldn't believe he got it. Unfortu-

nately, he was talking about a Denny's Grand Slam. "I just wanted some eggs and bacon," said Phaup, "I was so hungry from all the running."

Phaup, angry with his mishap at third, stepped up to the plate, and drilled one over the deep left center fence. Imagine what he might have done with a baseball bat instead of a drill. Matt Turner didn't have a good day. Although he leads the team in homers this year and is 16<sup>th</sup> in D-III all time for the long ball, he just couldn't keep the ball in the park. He was seen sobbing, admitting that all he needed was a sacrifice fly, and instead, failed, hitting just another home run.

Pitching for the Captains was Cosby. The unusually large crowd dispersed when they realized pitching was Mike Cosby, not Bill. Angry

spectators yelled, "We want to see Bill! Bring back the Cosby Show! We love the Huxtables!"

Cosby pitched well until he was shaken up when the bases were loaded and there was a bang-bang play at first. After he calmed down, he punched out three more batters. After the game, he was asked why instead of striking out the batters, he actually punched them out, his only comment was: "I wanna be like Mike."

When asked about his pitcher recruiting, Coach John Harrell commented that he looks at only the best elementary schools, "We need to get 'em early," said Coach Harrell. "They start playing for me in the summer before their sixth grade year."

If this schedule sounds intense to you, it is. Young

boys are being pressured into tough situations and feel as though they must perform, forcing honor code violations later in life.

Ricky Medina found himself dreaming at the game. He dreamed it was the bottom of the ninth with one out and one runner on down by one run. He dreamed that he stepped up to the plate and blasted a two-run home run and won the game for his team. Wait, Medina wasn't dreaming. I was.

With the win, the Captains take an undefeated conference record into a series versus Ferrum next weekend. However, the games were cancelled three weeks ago due to rain, and CNU has been renamed to Seattle Jr.

This just in, CNU sports are going to start playing in a more demanding conference.