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New constitution passed. Senate will downsize

SGA restructures, forms branches

By Lacey Milbu

The concrete, stones, and previously empty foundations of buildings on campus grow closer to completion each day. We walk by these construction sites daily and sigh with the feeling that our campus is always "under-construction." What most of us don't realize is that construction on campus is not merely physical. What most of us don't realize is that our SGA has constructed a radically new constitution, and on Nov. 17, that constitution, and on Nov. 17, that constitution with the constitution with the constitution with the constitution with the second constitution with all senate paddies raised high in the air. With red. white, and blue halloons filling up the room, it was obvious this was a special meeting for the SGA. An entirely new system of government has been written up, and members of the SGA, especially previously empty

the president Ashley Boyd, were anxious for the vote on the Constitution. When describing the differences between the current and new constitutions, Boyd said, "There was no separation of powers. It gives us a lot more credibility now because the branches are separated. The emphasis is on legislative action and not just officers. Our Constitution was modeled after CNU five years ago. It was a more commuter-based school. Now we have more students involved."

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Virginia higher education falls short by \$351 M

By Jenn Rowell Managing Editor

CNU is below an adequate operating budget level. The shortfall is 97.8 control of the seconding of the seconding of the seconding of the seconding of the state, the shortfall totals \$351 million.

A panel, moderated by President Paul Trible, shared its thought on the state of education in Virginia and then opened the floor for others to speak on Nov. 12.

Trible started discussion with the question, "Is our public education system successfully preparing students for the 21st century."

Superintendent of Superintendent of Superintendent of

century?"
Superintendent of
Newport News Public
Schools Marcus Newsome
said, "I believe the public
education system is the
backbone of this nation.
Our schools are a reflection of the community they
serve."

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He said that he has not seen the synergy needed to make public education work since Sept. 11, 2001.

Whe really need to bring the community together to support our schools and our teachers, the busy of the server of th

community," he said.

He noted, however, the seriousness of the current state of education.

We are in a period of

"We are in a period of time where the projections show we will be losing a vast majority of our teach-ers," said Jenney. He said that offering teachers more educational opportunities, and "more time, on task, with quality teachers is going to make the difference."

the difference."

And that, he said, re-

And that, he said, requires more resources are limited. We're having to struggle with limited funding to educate our students," said panel member McKinley Price. "Education is a tough job. I don't think we're currently, stepping up to the plate the way we need to."

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Thaddeus Holloman, Sr., a member of CNU's Board of Visitors, said that teaching is a public service. "We don't have a value of public service in this state," he said. "But, at some point in time, we have to reward public servants."

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Williamsburg, Mayor Jeanne Zeidler said that education is the responsibility of the state.
"Commonwealth simply does not fully fund its standards of quality." Zeidler said, adding that the "burden' falls to localities." "Fifty percent or more of the [local] budget' is education, ashe said.
Zeidler said the state

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ot pets a rabbit on Nov. 14 at the petting zoo that was part Cath CM) effort to raise awareness about the Heifer Project. This ever of CCM's goal of \$5000 for a gift ark to worldwide villages in need.

Catholic Campus Ministries aiding communities in need, goal is \$5000

By Chanelle Layman

Campus Catholic Min-istries (CCM) is attempting to save people from destruc-tion through the use of an ark. Committed to assisting the world's hungry, CCM is raising money to send an ark full of animals to villages in

eed. Their efforts are part of an organization known as Heifer International. Heifer International

charity organization works to end hunger and poverty by providing appropriate livestock and appropriate livestock and training to communities in need throughout the world. Through various projects, Heifer International supplies

communities with animals to provide food and income and with the necessary training to care for the animal. As part of the donation, recipients pledge to donate the first offspring to another community or family in need and to teach them how to care for the animal.

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Parents take night off, juniors baby-sit

About half a dozen' youngsters sat around the big screen television in the Student Center Lounge, measurement by the Disney movie "Lilo and Stitch" as they munched their bags of poptom. The Biology Club person of the Club Club person of the Club committee of the Club committee of the Club committee of the Club club person of the Club committee of the Biology Club person of the Club committee of

and students with, children. The event was intended for children between the ages of 2 and 12, but it seemed an exception was made for 17-month-old Halle Pinkham. The young Ms. Pinkham refused to comment on her special, treatment as she special, treatment as she special treatment as the Captain's Log right after dropping her jacket off. Halle's parents spoke with the Captain's Log right after dropping her under-aged daughter off at the happening college babysitting party. "What a really risc thing for them to have," said Halle's mon, Terl Pinkham. Mrs. Pinkham said, "We're going to go to dinner and maybe do some early Christmas shopping" on the properties of t nd students with children. babysitter and if she's not available, that's it," said Mrs. Pinkham. "What's nice about this is she knows some of the other kids," she said.

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The movie seemed to have effectively hypnotized them, the popcorn was being passed, and squirminess seemed to be at a minimum among the easily distracted rugarats. Things quickly changed when pluntor Class changed when pluntor Class the control of the television and proceeded to wrangle up the kids for the live animal show.

The greasy hands of the popcorn munching munching, munching, munching, because the could do their thing, the kids submitted themselves to a quick hand samined geome. The pint-sized people See NIGHT, page 2

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Online registration successful

Power outage causes minor delay

By Lindsay Simpson Staff Writer

It has been a week since the last large group of students registered online using CNÜ Live, the new interactive server that allows students to check midterm grades, schedules, holds, and other items.

schedules, non-other items.
Until last Thursday, University Registrar Lisa Duncan Raines said that registration had gone over very well. "As far we Duncan Raines san-registration had gone over very well. "As far as registration goes, we didn't really have any problems," Raines said. "We had students who had difficulty getting in from off campus, but

in from off campus, but a lot of that was specific a lot of that was specific to their computer, their browser, that sort of thing. So we worked through that, then yesterday [Nov. 13] there were some prob-lems with the server which

lems with the server which impacted registration but it impacted email and the system to the university as a whole," Raines said. The majority of the problems that those reg-istering on Nov. 13 exper-renced were an indirect rienced were an indirect result of a power outage that lasted only a few minutes, as well as the large amount of traffic caused by the registering

caused by the registering freshmen.

"There seemed to be more traffic on CNU Live with the freshman class... they were the eager ones this year," said Raines.

Nicole Chenette, a sophomore who registered on Nov. 13, said she was displeased with CNU Live's server.

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"I thought it was actually ridiculous that they expected so many students to be able to register on the CNU server when the server wasn't able to handle it. It took me 56 tries to log on, and then another 15 to just get to the page to put down my classes," Chenette said.

Although there were

classes," Chenette said.
Although there were
many issues that some
students believed needed
to be worked out, such as
the instability the server
experienced, there was an
equal amount who were
glad there was no need
to stand in front of the
Administration Building Administration Building for hours, but rather their

computers.
"Besides the inevi-"Besides the inevi-table problems caused by everyone trying to login at once, I thought register-ing online was a lot easier than the alternative. It was nice to have the in-formation about all the class times and professors available for each course," said freshman Michelle Alexander.

Alexander.
The upperclassmen, like the freshmen, seemed to prefer the online registration over the previous method of waiting in line in front of the Administration building.
Raines said that registration was open for all students until Nov. 18,

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Rowing for a cause

CNU Rowing Teams holds 24-hour Row-A-Thon. Funds will purchase new equipment and benefit local hospital.

World & Nation

John Allen Muhammad found guilty of capital murder in Beltway sniper spree, punishment still to be determined.

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A&E

The Peer Advising Club and Delta Sigma Theta sponsored Slam 'N' Jam last Thursday, giving students a away to relieve

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Sports

CNU's football to loses to Ferrum 19-17. This drops the Captains to 20th in the nation in Division 3 schools.

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Diversity Scholars Series

Lakota Harden, the third and final speaker for the Diversity Scholar Series, will be here Nov. 22 in Gaines Theater. The original time of 2 p.m. has been moved to 4 pm. Harden will be procking the series of the s

Harden will be speaking on the native American Liberation, Di-versity and the Struggle for Peace and Empower-

S.H.A.R.E. Saturday

MSA is showing its holiday spirit by going to the Peninsula Food-bank to help pass out food on Nov.22. If you would like to join in, they are meeting in front of Regatta's at 4 a.m. that

morning.
Also, MSA is holding their regular meeting on Nov. 20 at 12:15 p.m. in SC 150.

World AIDS Day 2003

The Gay-Straight Student Union is holding AIDS awareness events over the next couple of weeks. On Nov. 19 is "Safer Sex and AIDS 101." The first 50 people there will receive safer sex kits. It is in SC 150 at 7 p.m.

at 7 p.m.
On Nov. 23 they are showing the movie "Philadelphia" at 7 p.m. in York River West.

Angel Tree

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will be hosting its annual Angle Thee sign up from Nov 17 to Dec. 5. The tree is located in the Student Center lobby. Pick up a name of a child that you can provide a gift for this holiday. All of the children are from the Newport News area.

Formal Recruitment Night

CNU Panhellenic is ding a second Formal ruitment Info Night z 19 at 7 p.m. in SC

Resident Assistant Information

The Office of Student Life is holding information sessions on becoming a Resident Assistant or Front Desk Assistant. The sessions are Nov. 20 in York River West MPR at 8 pm, Nov. 23 in James River MFR at 7 pm, Dec. 12 in Warwick River Office at 7 pm, and Dec. 13 in SC 233 at 7 pm.

Holiday Show and Sale

ArtCNU presents the oliday Show and Sale vv. 19 through Dec. 20 the Falk Art Gallery , Monday through Pri-y. They will be offer-ty paintings, ceramics,

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ing paintings, ceramics
pottery, hand made ornaments, and much more.
Also, Fine Arts Majors will be available te
draw on the spot caricatures and pastel portraits

-Compiled by Rita Haynes Asst. Managing Edite

Rowing Club raises \$3000

Row-A-Thon benefits local hospital

By Megan Tucker Aut. Arts & Enterta.

Many students may have noticed a large tent and a long rowing skiff on the Great Lawn. Under the tent were two CNU students working up a sweat on rowing machines. Many would wonder what these students were doing in the middle of the day on an odd looking exercise machine, pushing electronic to their limits.

their muscles to their limits.

1230 p.m. on Nov. 12, members of CNU's Rowing Club gathered on the Great Lawn and set up their equipment for a 24 hour Row-A-Thon.

Their 'equipment' consisted of what is known as an erg. An erg is a rowing machine that may resemble one used at any local YMCA or gym. During this Row-A-Thon, team members spent three hours each on an Erg. alternating with other teammates. The purpose of this day-long endeavor was to raise money for charity as well as for the club.

The Rowing Club raised around \$3,000 and has decided to donate 10 \$3,000 and has decided to donate in percent of the money earned during the Row-A-Thon to the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters. The rest of the earnings will go toward new equipment for the rowers, including

equipment for the new ergs.
"We have had to raise money for new equipment because we aren't funded by the school since we are a new club," said Katie Baha, a freshman, the strum to row at 12:30 a.m.

who took her turn to row at 12:30 a.m.
Bahr had arrived at the Row-AThon at 3 p.m. to cheer on her fellow
teammate Kim Valentine, a freshman,
who was the first female rower of the

Online registration

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New constitution

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and it would be reopened to allow for scheduling conflicts to be taken care of in the first week of December, and again be-fore the start of the Spring 2004 semester. Between those periods, registration will be shut down due to "billing issues," but students will still be able to access their

e-mailing each other about the specifics of the Constitution. Some of the major changes included an elected senate, a separate body for clubs, an election board, and a student Supreme Court. The change that most students may want to look at is the student Supreme Court. It will be a group of any interested students," said Herrin. The committee decided to appoint student justices, and they will make up the Judiciary Branch with responsibilities such as interpreting the Constitution. Other appointed positions developed included an Executive Cabinet that will be part of the Executive Branch with the President and Vice President.

When the SGA decided to develop

When the SGA decided to develop a new Constitution, they looked at vari-



Derek Diamond participates in the Row-A-Thon held by the Royn Club on Nov. 12. It was a 24 hour event and the 10 percent of the \$3000 raised went to benefit Childrens Hospital of the Kinga Duaghters. a.m. on weekdays for conditioning and training in the boats. While the training at the beginning of the season is physi-cally strenous, the rowing itself is a very beneficial and competitive sport. "The Rowing team stays together all year, with conditioning indoors on year the property of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the property of the barshy distribution of the property of the property of the barshy distribution of the property o

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event. Derek Diamond, also a freshman, was seated next to her, rowing first for the boys' team.
"My shoulders are sore, but the rowing isn't bad as long as the sun is out of our faces," said Valentine, a first-year team member.

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The rowers and onlookers were able to watch "Finding Nemo" and "The Matrix" to keep them busy and entertained. As the day progressed, more and more students came and donated their loose change for the cause. Some even pulled up chairs to watch movies and chat with the rowers.

the rowers.

"We didn't do quite as well as we had hoped, but we still earned more money than all of the other fundraisers we have put together," said Cali Girard, a sophomore and a second year member of the club. "It really helped us get our name out on campus." ne out on campus."

Clayton Comstock coaches the team

Clayton Comstock coaches the team and keeps the team members active in the club. They meet every Monday at 7 p.m. in Ratcliffe Hall. Practices for the team begin at 5

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accounts to receive grades, holds and other information.

They [the students] will still be able to review their course request information on the Web, that kind of thing. I mail grades will be on the Web at the end of December, "Raines said.

Raines said. The still the still

"This forces clubs to attend meetings.
Now they just come to us for privileges,"
Boyd said. With an elected senate this will be dif-

ferent.
"It will be purely representatives that have a desire to be part of the student gov-ernment," said Boyd. The 20 members will include three from each class, one graduate student, and seven members will be at-

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In a seven derimental, said visitor, Chris Weber, He was concerned that this would cause non-equal representation if for in-stance a lot of the at-large members were from one class. The committee believed chowever that it would make a well-round-

the ergs dump, and the state of the constitute o

problems associated with this year's reg-istration should be sofved, and students' expectations should be satisfied. "It's an age of technology, and they have kind of learned to expect that [online registration]. I suspect now that we have opened that up, there will be more and more expectations from our users," said

"We are coming along, brick by brick, piece by piece."

ed representation of campus issues.
Although the representation in the senate was made smaller, other opportunities are developed. Four ous other institutions such as William and Mary, UVA and Radford to help shape their Constitution. The committee chose to have 20 students make up the Legislative Branch. This will be like the student senate

senate was made smaller, other opportunities to participate were developed. Four
committees were put into place that are
to be made up of general members from
CNU student body.
An Inter-Club Association and an
Elections Board were also developed.
"They can focus on certain areas
instead of doing everything," said Boyd.
This allows for students to put focus on
what they are interested in, and it spread
out participation.

The new Constitution also lowened the GPA requirement for certain positions, and it also took out office hours. While some may consider this action lessoning standards, it allowed for more to become engaged in the SGA.

"Taking out the office hours makes it more of a leadership position and not like a job," said Boyd.

Virginia In

Muhammad Found Guilty

Press.

The jury in Virginia Beach court system de-liberated for six and a half hours over a two-day period and immediately started the process of hearing evidence to decide if Muhammad would receive the death penalty, according to the Daily Press.

Press.
Lee Boyd Malvo,
Muhammad's accused
partner in the crimes, is
on trial in Chesapeake
for the killing of Linda
Franklin in Falls Church,
Va., according to the Daily
Press.

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Ghost Fleet

Bass Pro Shop Grand Opening

Aiding communities

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One of Heifer International's projects, the Gift Ark, sends 15 pairs of animals to 30 families throughout the world. The animals included within the ark are chicks, sheep, rabbits, bees (beethives), guinea pigs, llamas, camelis, donkeys, goats, owne, cows, ducks, water buffalo, genes, and pigs. Each set of animals can benefit people in countries animals can benefit people in countries that are the countries of the countries of

tral and Eastern Europe.
South Pacific.
This year, Campus Catholic Ministries wants to send a Gift Ark to these regions. Faced with the task of raising \$5,000, CCM has organized several events to raise awareness of world hunered to raise awareness.

so, occ. CLM has organized several events to raise awareness of world hunger on campus and to gain support.

One such event was a petting zoo. A first at CNU, the petting zoo included chickens, goats, and rabbits. Many of the animals at the petting zoo would

be on the actual Ark, though there will be other animals as well.

be on the actual Ark, though there will be other animals as well. In addition, the petting zoo was "to raise awareness of hunger on campus," and freshman lindays Jimpson. The petting zoo actually tools some time to get started. Scheduled to begin at noon, the animals didn't arrive until meatly one of clock. For the animal-less hour, members of CCM distributed ark banks to passers-by.

To raise funds, CCM is distributed ark properties of the project into the community. Jeforner's Catholic Church, and is extending the project into the community.

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When the animals finally arrived, students were able to hold two-month old bunnies, pet Nigerian dwarf goats.
"Basically, the Gift Ark gives people who receive the animals a business," said CCM Worship Minister Tim Masterson. Once people receive an animal, they are

trained to care for it. Then the people have a source of food and income. A family receiving chickens, for example, has eggs not only to eat but also to sell. At the end of the petting 200, CCM had about \$100 of the needed \$5000, not including the ark banks. CCM plans to host more activities to raise money and awareness on campus, including a 2-hour fast and various displays. In addition to filling ark banks, students, clubs and organizations can commit to raise money for one animal on the Gift Ark. Masterson said, "We would love for each club to take on an animal from the Ark. The animals range from \$5 to \$500. Any club can raise \$20." CCM is involvement with the Heifer Project is not only about halping those

CM's involvement with the Heiler Project is not only about helping those in need, but also about getting CNU more involved in the issue of world hunger. "Basically, you could cover the Great Lawn with bodies of people who starved, and three-quarters of those would be children under the age of five," Masterson said.

Juniors baby-sit

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stood and stared at the slimy creatures. Surprisingly, none of the kids seemed to be the least bit frightened of the some-what gnarly looking critters. The curious kids met even the snake as nothing more than a novelty.

As young Katie stepped up to pet the frog that a biology club member held, it leaped up into her face. Luckily, Katie took it in stride as several grown-ups, far more visibly shaken than Katie, spoke to her reassuringly. "He was giving you frog kisses, that means he likes you," one volunteer said.

The live animal show portion of the night's activities lasted approximately 10 minutes. After a short bit of energetic running around and hiding under tables, the

kids returned the their attention to the crazy antics of animated space moneters and seemed to claim down.

Neighbors was very enthusiastic about the event, as he had done a lot of babysiting in the past. "I love kids. I love watching after them," he said.

"Parent's Night Off is an event that has not been done in the past Neighbors said. "We wanted to put together an event that targeted students and faculty with children," he explained.

Higher education underfunded-

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eds to increase funding for public educa-

"Failing to act has consequences. Not fund-ing our schools has consequences." Zeidler said. The Dean of William was the said of the said

for it."

CNU Faculty Senate President Virginia Purtle said, "At a minimum, we need to restore the funding lost in the last two years. We're in a verv. verv serious situation."

the funding lost in the last two years. We're in a very very serious situation."

Brian Cannon, William and Mary's Student Assembly President, said in response to Thible's initial question. "The question is, will it prepare those who follow us?" in arfaid for those who follow us? "In arfaid for those who follow us. We're going to reap what we sow." He compared the situation to an aircraft carrier. He said when an aircraft carrier runs out of gas, it can continue on for three more miles. He said, "Where are we? Are we at one mile? Are we at two?" we at two? Are we at three?" Cannon said that students and parents are the "only constituents in the Commonwealth who are paying more for less. Tuition has gone up, but the quality of education has gone down."

Tuition, he said, is nothing more than a tax.

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Tuition, he said, is nothing more than a tax crease. "It is a direct tax on us [college stu-

Cannon mentioned that professors are leav-ing and asked, "What does that do to the quality education?"

He said that the current situation is one in

He said that the current situation is the which students cannot get what they need.
"Is college still a four-year venture?"
Something is wrong when hard working students cannot get the classes they need and cannot graduate in four years, but it now takes

n five, Cannon said. In reference to the Alliance, he said, "It is so

Cannon said, "All we are asking is for aver age. Adequate funding. Is that good enough?"

Democrat Alan Diamonstein, a member of the audience, said, "Funding is what's neces-sary. We can't st here and fool ourselves taking about anything else." "Come on public. Cet behind your fegislators. Tell them you want more funding." CNU Student Government President Ash-ley Boyd said, "Richmond needs to fund our future."

e told the panel that CNU was under-

Since tota the paner that CTV was mean-funded by \$\$ million.

"It's Virginian's future," she said. "We need funding to be above average. We will no longer stand by as students."

Bree Booth, a student from William and Mary who is double majoring in English and Education, said, "I fear not only the current budget cuts as a student, but I fear that I will have to teach under them as well."

As a parent of college students, Janet Luff,

As a parent of college students, Janet Luff, , "It's frightening for a 20-year-old to owe

Delegate Phillip Hamilton, R-NN, said, "Apathy is strangling the Commonwealth. It's going to have to be a grassroots effort from the bottom up." m up.

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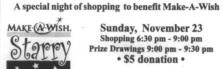
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World and Nation



U.S. Army soldiers, from the 101st Airborne Division, stand guard as a crans lifts the wreckage of a Black Hawk helicopter from the roof of a home in Mosul, Iraq, on Nov. 16. Two helicopters crashed on Saturday evening, killing 17 soldiers.

U.S. researches helicopter crashes

101st Airborne Division seeks remains, causes for crashes

By Jeff Wilkin and Maureen Fan Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Nov.16—The U.S. military on Sunday launched a fresh series of attacks on insurgent positions in central and northern Iraq, as the investigation continued into the crashes in Mosul of two helicopters on Saturday evening that killed 17 101st Airborne Division soldiera—the worst single-incident death toll since the beginning of the Iraq war.

With scout helicopters overhead and surrounded by jeering crowds, investigators picked through the wreckage of the downed helicopters, but were unable to conlim reports that they had collided after one was fired on and perhaps struck by a rocket propelled grenade. Nov.16—The U.S. mili-on Sunday launched

st in a series of offensive trikes—this one dubbed Operation Ivy Cyclone Operation Ivy Cyclone Two—aimed at rooting out the insurgency that has been attacking coalition forces 35 times a day.

The operation involved

times a day.

The operation involved close air support for ground troops and the use of heavy weaponry not seen since the main phase of the war that ended on May 1, including the launch of a satellite-guided missile with a 500 pound warhead from a mobile launch pad north of Baghdad.

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Occupational forces are in trouble, the speaker said, in an apparent reference to all military forces working with the Americans.

The two helicopters downed in Mosul were on separate missions, flying after dark when the incident occurred about 6:30 p.m. a spokesman said. They crashed on two rooftops about 259 yards apart.

One Black Hawk carrying 12 soldiers was rying 12 soldiers was rying 12 soldiers was rying 12 soldiers was resulted to the soldiers was resulted and the soldiers was resulted and the soldiers was resulted and five injured in that crash.

It is unclear whether the helicopter collided with another Black Hawk transporting 10 soldiers to an undisclosed location. All 10 soldiers in the second helicopter were killed.

"Our main concern right now its to recover all of the remains and do a thoough investigation," said 101st Division spokesman Maj. Trey Cate.

Muhammad convicted in sniper trial

By Jon Frank, Joanne Kimberlin and Kate Wiltrout The Virginian-Pilot

Nov. 17—He did it. The question now: Should he die? On Monday, shortly

The question now: Should he die?
On Monday, shortly after finding. John Allen-Muhammad guilty of capital murder in the Beltway sniper spree, a Virginia Beach jury began pondering what to do with the corvicted killer. The ultimate punishment is reserved for the worst of the worst. Procecutor Richard A. Conway thundered at juros while jabbing a finger toward Muhammad. And folks, he still alts right in fron of your chourt a shreed of remove the process of the still alts right in fron of your chourt a shreed or remove the process of the still alts right in fron of your much white process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron of your much process of the still alts right in fron the still alts right in front process of the still alts right right right in front process of the still alts right ri norse." Muhammad's face re-

Muhammad's face re-mained impassive, as it has since a court official read the jury's verdict shortly after noon. Standing next to his attorneys, his sport coat open, hands loosely clasped in front of him, Muhammad received the news with no apparent emotion.

One juror cried. So did victims' relatives.

victims relatives who was victims relatives who man drive men deliberated for six hours, spread over two days, to find Muhammad guilty of shooting to death Dean H. Meyers, a civil engineer, on Oct. 9, 2002, at a Suncoo gas station in Manassas, Va. Before reaching their verdict, the jurors heard more than 100 witnesses over five weeks—enough to convince them that

death Dean H. Meyers, a civil engineer, on Oct. 9, 2002, at a Sunoco gas station in Manassa, Va. Before reaching their verdict, the jurors heard more than 100 witnesses over five weeks—enough to convince them that Muhammad not only murdered Meyers but masterminded and carried out last year's Washington-area striper spreep that killed 10, people and wounded three

On Monday afternoon as the trial moved into the sentencing phase, jurors were back in their chairs were back in their chairs, listening once again as attor-neys tried to sway their deci-sion toward execution or life in prison without parole. "Rehabilitation doesn't even enter the picture," Con-way told them. "Punishment does."

Muhammad's defense



Sniper suspect John Al-len Muhammad listens to proceedings before be-ing found guilty on four charges in his trial at the Virginia Beach Circuit Court in Virginia Beach Virginia Beach Circuit Court in Virginia Beach, Va., on Nov.17.

Jurors may find the death uestion tougher than the uilt-or-innocence one. They ound Muhammad guilty of Il four charges against him:

found Muhammad guilty of all four charges against him: two counts of capital murder, one count of conspiracy and one weapons violation.

One of the capital murder charges was filed under the state's new terrorism law, passed after the terror attacks of 2001. Evidence during the trial showed that Muhammad tried to extort millions of dollars from the government by spreading government by spreading. government by spreading terror through the mid-At-

The other capital murder charge was made under a statute that makes it a death

statute that makes it a deatn penalty offense to kill two or more people during a three-year period.

That charge produced a trial strategy that had prosecutions presenting evidence country that precoded the three-week Beltway sniper spree in October last year.

Muhammad and his alleged accomplice, Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, are suspected of 23 shootings that killed 15 people, climaxing in a three-week string of shootings in Washington, Maryland and Virginia. Victims and their relatives from across the country came to Virginia Beach to testify in one of the country came to Virginia Beach to testify in one of the interest of the string of the country came to Virginia Beach to testify in one of the one of the country came to Virginia penalty of the country came to Virginia Peter to the country came to Virginia Beach to testify in one of the one of the country came to Virginia penalty of the country came to Virginia Peter to the country came to Virginia Peter to the country came to Virginia Peter to virginia Peter to the country came to Virginia Peter to virginia Pete

Palestinians seek cease-fire with Israel

Nov. 12-With a Pales Nov. 12—With a Pales-tinian government finally in place. Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia promised on Nov. 12 to pursue ag-gressively a new cease-fire with Israel and the resump-tion of peace talks. Even Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat adopted a rare conciliatory tone and defended Israel's "right to live in peace and har-

to live in peace and har-

mony."

Arafat made the remark in a speech to Palestinian lawmakers, who ratified Qureia's new Cabinet in the West Bank city of Ra-

Israel welcomed Oure

optimism. It was the first glimmer of life in the stalled peace process since late summer, when an escalating cycle of Palestinian suicide attacks and Israeli military strikes balted necotiations. halted negotiations.

But radical Muslim

But radical Musim groups haven't agreed to a cease-fire, and some experts predicted the movement would be temporary, given the warring sides' refusal to adopt any of the provisions in the U.S.-backed "road map," which guides the pro-cess that would result in the creation of a Palestinian state

"I don't see how we are going to get much further

than a cease-fire, which means it'll be a fragile cease-fire," without progress toward resolving the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, said yossi Alpher, a strategic and military affairs analyst who served as a senior adviser better the former Israeli Prime Minister Ebud Barak

served as a sentor adviser to former Israell Prime Minister Ehud Barak. Key among the peace plan's steps is the disarming and dismantling of Palestinian militant groups, a freeze on Jewish settlement construction on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and a pullback of Israeli military forces from those areas. Without pressure from the White House, it's unlikely either side will give in to the other's demands, Alpher added.

Schwarzenegger sworn in as governor of California, Davis steps down

Dogen Hannah and Andrew LaMar Knight-Ridder Newspape

17-Arnold Nov. 17—Arnold Schwarzenegger took the oath of office to become California's 38th governor Monday, opening a new chapter in a storied life that even Hollywood might find

incredible.
"I am humbled, I am moved and I am honored be-

moved and lan honored beyond words to be your governor.

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new Capitol office to sign an executive order repeal-ing the recent tripling of the state car tax, fulfilling a major campaign pledge. He also ordered three special also ordered three special legislative sessions, begin-ning Tuesday, to address the state's fiscal crisis; workers compensation reform; and repeal of SB 60, the driver's license bill for illegal immi-grants the license bill for illegal immi-grants that Gov. Gray Davis signed while fighting to save his job.

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A mix of A-list politicos, Hollywood friends and Schwarzenegger's Kennedyclan in-laws helped usher the Republican movies stated that the Republican movies stated to the Republican movies and the Republican mo



ct Arnold Schwarzenegger ar-ed by Gov. Gray Davis during on the steps of the state capitol

eled Ba pangled Banner as a color uard marched toward the rage. Directly behind Wil-ams stood outgoing Gov.

100 days ago in the state's historic Ct. 7 recall election. In his speech he thanked Davis for a smooth transition, and sought to expunge the campaign rhetoric in which he had painted the ousted governor as a pariah bought by special interests. "This election was not about replacing one man. It was about changing the entire thanked the campaign of the campaign of

to energize an embittered and emboldened electorate, the next 100 will help define Arnold the politician.

He acknowledged the

newcomer to politics," he said. "I realize I was elected on faith and hope, and I feel a great responsibility not to let the people down." Schwarzenegger promised to move quickly. He plans to unveil a budget package Tuesday that will include a massive bond issue to cover the state's existing debt. He will seek to tie the bond to a cap on state spending. Schwarzenegger's new finance director. Donna Arduin, has pegged that debt at \$24.8 billion. John Herrington, a former state Republican Party chairman and energy secretary to President Konald Reagan, initially had doubted to the he stood amid the crowd, he invoked fact.

"Now that I look at it in retrospect this needed to happen," he said. "We've got a crisis in this state. This is a guy who does not owe anything to anybody—special interests are not going to sway him."

Opinions

Where We Stand

State of education in the state: low

Last week's "Speak Up for Education" forum should send a clear message to the state of Virginia: funding for public education is in-adequate, unacceptable and, as one person put it, driving schools to financial and educational anorexia

adequate, unacceptable and, as one person put it, driving schools to financial and educational anorexia.

As one of the most selective schools in Virginia, CNU is \$8 million below regular operating costs. State-mandated cuts have in recent years led to a decrease in programs and an increase in tuition, effectively having the student pay more for less.

Granted, CNU is making an effort to persevere by maintaining an attractive campus with quality residence life. Perhaps these features will, in due time, build more financial stability for the university and open room for academic growth. But how far will that take us? And how long will it take until that happens? How much longer can we go without compromising the quality of a higher education?

With the extensive budget problems in Virginia, CNU might even be able to build itself a \$2 billion endowment before it actually receives healthy funds from the state that so strongly emphasizes the importance of education (picking up the sarcasm?). The point is, schools have been suffering for too long during this fiscal crisis. Some may argue that our Commonwealth is experiencing growing pains; that the state will grow back stronger. The only problem: there is a difference between growing pains and growth deprivation. The latter seems to be the cise. be the car

De the case.

By now, legislators in Richmond should see the problems that inadequate school systems pose for Virginia's future. It shouldn't matter
amount of the legislators whether they've been consulted enough
about the importance of Virginia's educational funding. Any hint of

about the importance of Virginia's educational funding. Any hint of constituent apathy should not be an excuse for our elected officials' inability to bring money to our schools.

Should students vote more? Yes. Should they voice their concerns more? Yes. But that is not to say that their voice has not clearly been heard, especially after last Wednesday when they joined panel members, politicians, parents and others in the community.

Limiting the education of today's students limits tomorrow's possibility of having educated leaders rull this state together. As of now

sibility of having educated leaders pull this state together. As of now, the state of education is foreshadowing self-destruction.

Kudos to the Constitution Committee

The SGA on Monday reshaped its form of government by remodeling its Constitution. It will similarly reflect the process by which the United States governs, having three branches, a condensed number of senators and an election process for all aspiring members. A limited number of senators will provide efficiency for debate. An election process will hold senators accountable for their established goals during

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Every senator had his/her hand in rewriting the Constitution. The Constitution Committee committed over 20 hours of service in one weekend. This is to be commended. Hopefully their work will provide a strong backbone for what will be a work-in progress throughout the upcoming years.

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American society degrading

What was once taboo is becoming more acceptable

Society has changed rapidly in the past 50 years.

The most common form of communication is the Internet, and cell phones are almost as common as credit cards now.

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We have astronauts going to the moon and even computers are now sent into space. Technology has surpassed anyone's imagination from 50 years ago. We are almost completely dependent on technology to survive.

And while our progress with technology is a positive step toward our future, our advance of the common sent properties of the propert

law.
I can imagine many people's reaction to that last statement "<a upsings" It's against the law, but who cares," but because a majority of people in America today do this, no one thinks twice about this actually being wrong. It's seems that since "Everyone does it," it's OK. It's not.

Sex is also something that has become less sacred as it none was. I reed in an article this summer that one in five 15-year-olds are engaging in sexual activities. This

We really need to take a step back and look at our lives and see if this is what we want our world to be.

shocked me. Instead of it be-ing shared with that one per-

son with whom you are going to spend the rest of your life, people are switching sex partners as often as fashion trends go out of side. When the sex partners are more widelessed on the sex partners and no not seem to care. Twelveyear-olds are having sex and getting pregnant. These girls aren't even old enough to drive yet, but they are becoming mothers.

What happened to our society? How far is too far? When are we going to stop and think about the consequences of our actions?

Whe really need to take a step back and look at our lives and see if this is really what we want our world be with the want or behave the same way we have, or behave worse them we do now. Is this the example we want to set for future generations?

If we are supposed to be setting the standard for future generations?

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U.N. oversight of Internet not a good idea

It would be hard to think of a dumber idea than put-ting the United Nations in charge of the Internet, other than letting the French direct a global defense against mar-tian invaders.

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occur.

The issue is reportedly on the agenda at an international information summit next month in Switzerland.

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According to the Financial Times—the U.K-based business-oriented newspaper—initial opposition from the United States and the European community has, for now, forestalled a drive to give a U.N. agency oversight of the Internet.

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Brazil, India, China, South Africa and Saudi Arabia are among those unhappy with the current system, under which the Internet and access to if are overseen with a very light hand by a California-based entity.

The semiprivate, non-profit Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and

Numbers hands out Internet addresses and generally is the technological coordinator of cyberspace. ICANN, run by a board on which Americans are a minority, does not regulate contentually of the content of the content

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It evolved into a network used primarily by universities, and in the 1990s, the Internet began to sprout as an all-purpose communication system that has revolution-ized virtually every aspect of modern life.

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ability to snape somewing, they could not in their wild-est dreams have created. Now, there may even be some here at home who believe in multilaterialism to the extent that they think the United States and its friends should share their pre-emi-mat rule.

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Those who think so are muts.

The Internet has prospered because all that ICANN does is collect a relatively small amount of money for addresses and to keep the traffic moving.

It has nursed the Internet on the notion of capitalism, limited government interference and embraced commercialization.

Those are principles that

Those are principles that can get you shot by govern-

ments in many parts of the world.

world.

It would be quite easy to imagine how giving a world government control over the Internet would restrict the information flow to avoid of-

information flow to avoid of-fending this or that political or religious sensibility. Those who argue that the Internet is a public re-source are correct. It was even developed, to a degree, by government-actually a Pentagon agency—but it has remained generally free of government's heavy hand and has thrived because of it.

and has thrived because of it.

And what those of us in the United States consider the heavy hand of government is actually just a love tap compared to the way that governments run things in most of the world, and especially in those countries that it would increase their say. Yet complaints about rising amounts of spam and viruses should not become an excuse for a power grab that would give a bunch of bureaucrats the power to regulate cyberspace.

This issue is one of the few things these days on which there is common cause between the United States and most "better their th

ropean countries.

Even the quasi-socialists on the continent know not to kill the goose that lays the

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Correction

In last week's edition of the Captain's Log ["Resolution for sexual orientation passed," Nov. 12]. Dr. Peter Knipp was misquoted when commenting on the resolution. Those comments should have been attributed to Dr. Robert Winder, not Knipp. Knipp, who read the resolution to the Faculty Senate, fally advocated the motion to accept it. When asked about his thoughts toward the resolution, Knipp said, "College is all about openness and acceptance of others. It's the one time that seems to stand the greatest chance of fostering a true acceptance and understanding of lifestyles other

Please send any noticed errors to the Captain's Log at clog@cnu.edu. Thank you.

Arts and Entertainment



The Peer Advising Council and Delta Sigma Theta hosted last Thursday's "Slam N Jam," which raised money for multiple sclerosis. The event was also promoted as a stress-reliever for students.

Slam 'N' Jam raises money for good cause

A unique spectacle was seen on the Great Lawn last Thursday as packs of students waited in the cold weather for a chance to pay 50 cents to propel a sledge-hammer into the side of a rather beat up automobile. This seemingly crazy event did have a purpose, known to many as the Slam 'N Jam sponsored by both the Peer Advising Club and Delta Signa Theta sorority. The car itself came from Pete's Auto Service, costing the Peer Advising Council \$530 for towing, drop off and 'pickup, as well' as disposal. 'We applied for a small grant through staff funds and \$GA,' said juntor and Peer Advising Club Vice

President Pefe Sasso.
Per Advising Clubmembers as well as volunteers artived on the Great
Lawn around 7:30 in the
morning to oversee the
delivery and preparation of the
car for the upcoming day.
Glass and fluids from the car
were removed upon its arrival on campus, and a tarp
was put underneath the car
for safety purposes.
From 8 am. until 3 p.m.
the Peer Advising Clubinformed students about stress
and ways to deal with it, and
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than 250 swings thrown at
the unsuspecting car.

An estimated 200 stu-dents participated in the event, according to Sasso, with students still hoping to

event, according to Sasso, with students still hoping to take some swings even after the tow truck had been called to come and collect the car. Though the cost for a swing was 50 cents, many students paid much more than the minimum price, with some students paying twice the amount for an average of three to four swings at the car. "Most of the people came around lunchtime, where we had at least 75 people here at once," said Sasso. The Peer Advising Club helped organize the event as a way to promote stress awareness among students, as well as provide a unique stress relieving opportunity. While the Peer Advising-Club handled the staffing

event, Delta Sigma Theta handled the awareness and fundraising for Multiple

Prosis.

For Delta Sigma Theta,
m 'N' Jam was just one of several programs offered as part of their first annual Crimson and Cream week, which ran from Nov 10-14. According to the Deltas, the event (as well as the week)

was considered a success. "We chose to donate the money to Multiple Scierosis research because the President of Delta Sigma Theta, myself, along with another young lady on campus were recently diagnosed with this disease," said senior Taya More.

disease," sate semi-Moss.
"I wanted the CNU com-munity to be aware of the adverse effects it [Multiple Sclerosis] has on its victims."

Movie Review: 'Matrix Revolutions'

While many may consider the 'Matrix' trilogy the 'Star Wars' of . our time, this movie still falls flat on its face

By Kris King Contributing Writer

I came into the third installment of the "Matrix" series after the massive disappointment of "The Matrix Reloaded."

I wasn't expecting much; in fact, the only reason I saw this movie was for some semblance of

reason I saw this movie was for some semblance of closure.

I left the theater about two hours later, but not with a feeling of closure.

It was more of a feeling that I could have spent the last two hours of my life doing something better; like absolutely nothing.

"The Matrix Revolutions" starts off right where "Reloaded" had ended. The machines are well on their way into Zion with their glant drills.

The humans brace themselves for the oncoming torrent of machine sentinels and Neo (Keanu Reeves) has magically been transported into the Matrix.

Marrix.

At least I think that's what happened. The beginning of this movie is probably one of the poorset transitions between sequels that I have ever seen in my entire life.

While technically the movie begins as "Reloaded" ends, apparently several different things happened between the two that are either never clearly explained and that Neo has been trapped in the Matrix by the frenchman, Merovingian (Lambert Wilson).

Where did this come from? How he actually got into the Matrix without being plugged in is never really touched on, it was

got into the Matrix without being plugged in is never really touched on, it was just used an excuse to get Trinity to shoot at people. Honestly there isn't much plot in this one. The Wachowski brothers got that out of the way in "Re-loaded" (in one long, painful speech by the Architect) and now all that is left to do is fight.

do is fight.
And fight they do; this is where "Revolutions" has some redeeming qualities.
One stiming moment was the battle for Zion between humans and ma-

chines.

It is a visual feast; a virtual orgy of computer-generated images with millions of sentinels swooping into the city toward the humans' tough defense.

Another major battle in "Revolutions" is the inevitable battle between Neo and Agent Smith which introduces a whole new

Neo and Agent Smith which introduces a whole new element of slow motion action, which I have deemed "punchin' time."

The main characters from the first movie (Neo, Trinity, Morpheus, and Smith) have very little screen time in comparison to minor characters that you could really very least the could really ve

screen time in comparison to minor characters that you could really care less about. This made the movie much less captivating between the could attach themselves to. The cast puts out an equally drab all around.

However, there was an exception in the form of Hugo Weaving's Agent Smith, who lit up the screen in his short appearance.

When the smoke clears and the movie ends, the viewer is left with a very disappointing and lacking ending.

disappointing and lacking ending.
It leaves many questions unanswered and is in fact quite illogical.
I honestly would prefer to not know what happens in the end of this trilogy and made the second two movies disappear from existence.

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Overall, the Wachowski
brothers' trilogy has fallen
flavour flavour flavour
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Matrix trilogy to be the 52ar
Wars of our time, and if this
is true, then we live in one
sad, sad time.
Had the The Matrix'
been kept as a standalone
movie rather than a trilogy,
then perhaps it would have
gamered more respect.

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0s. But "Reloaded" But "Reloaded" and "Revolutions" kills the sto-ries charm and mysticism with their lame and obvi-ous biblical allegory and an overall reliance on special effects to make the viewer give the weak plot a break.

"Matrix Revolutions" opened worldwide on Novem-ber 5, 2003. Directed by Wachowski chowski

Wacnowski, anu Larry v.
chowski Starring Keanu Reeves,
Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence
Fishburne, Hugo Weaving,
Jada Pinkett Smith, Sing Ngai,
and Harold Perrineau Ir.
Rated R for sci-fi violence
and brief sexual content.
2 Stars out of 5.

Students dance to the Latin beat

By Lacey Milburn

The girls were not in flaming red dresses being twirled around by guys in tight black pants, but the Freeman Center's multiputpose room did heat up as students unwound themselves and their hips at a Latin dance class on Thursday, Nov. 13. So much off my clogs and shake my hips to the Latin beat. From 8-10 p.m. sophomore Nélson Torres and a group of CNU students skipped the NBC Thursday night line-up of shows to Latin dance.

"Why don't you guys stretch out because it becomes kind of strenuous after a while," Torres announced to the class as he set up his computer to play

set up his computer to play music. The group of about 15 quietly prepared themselves, unsure of what was going to

Fortunately, they were in good hands . Torres moved from Puerto Rico at age 7 and learned Latin dancing such as merengue, salsa and bachata from his parents and

both at meletique, saiss and bechats from his parents and relative first student. If met was sophomore Shawna Riter, who told me that Nelson wanted to "expand everyone"s knowledge of dancing,"

Wearing maroon stretchy sweatparts and a CNU thirt, reshman Kathleen Puentes came out and helped in teaching as well. When I asked her what type of experience she had, she said, "I'm Columbian! I grew up learning it."

"First thing you do is just find the beat," Torres instructed the class in his khaki cargo pants and orange polo shirt. "You have to move your hips." The group started out nervous, but as the missic continued they



Nelson Torres informed the boys, "Pretend you're dancing with someone, but look cool doing it."

began shaking a little more as Torres moved around the room and aided those who needed help. He then split the class up into boys and girls and had them practice dancing by themselves with their arm movements in place. He told

the boys, "Pretend you're dancing with someone, but look cool doing it," and he told the girls, "You are pretty much showing off to the guys but they are in charge." He

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Restaurant Review: Pop's Drive-In

Mom and Pop offers the best of Americana

By Chanelle Layman Aust. Layout and Design Manager

With a comfy feel of small town America, Pop's Drive-in is the sort of restaurant you would have gone to with your Crandma when you were a kid. Decorated in a quaint blend of Nascar, Coca-Cola and Redskins football memorabilia, the restaurant displays a unique personal-ty like most mom-and-pop restaurants.

aurants. Even the employees'

and joking around behind the counter, they make it ob-vious that the mood is light-

In addition to a rural, in addition to a rural, last atmosphere. Poy's Driveni offers good old-fashioned American food. Hamburgers and hot dogs made with your choice of toppings and thick, deep-fried french fries put Poy's into the same league as back-yard barbecutes and Fourth of July picnics.

Expect what you would at home—traditional, "no surprises" American food done just the way you like it. Even more appealing than good food is the good

prices that accompany your meal. Prices ranges from under a dollar to \$8, and most full meals will cost less

most full meals will cost less than \$10.

Even if the food isn't quite like your mom makes it, the price certainly makes up for any difference. After all, when you're only paying \$1.20 for a hamburger, who can complain?

Service is also friendly and timely. Waitresses who all know each other make you feel at home and welcome.

Orders are placed at the counter, and then you seat yourself. Within a few minutes you drinks arrive and your food is finished shortly after. Once agair, service meets the small town

expectations.

Despite all the 'old-fash-ioned touches, 'Pop's' Drive-in lacks the actual drive-in element. Lost to an older generation, 'Pop's is now an eat-in or take-out restaurant.

However, in place of carbon to the control of the control of the call an order in alread of time. This convenience adds just one more notable quality to an enjoyable little restaurant. Pop's Drive-in is definitely worth the few extra miles to enjoy a good, old-fashioned American meal.

Pop's is located 6555 George Washington Memorial Highway in Yorktown. They can be reached at 956-6670. Cold the Pop's producting the control of the





Even though the weather was cold, friends and supporters of the Ecology Club out last Friday to help the environment.

Ecology Club hosts Can Crush

Walking up to the group of students milling about on the Great Lawn last Friday, ungency permeated the air as students rushed to crush cans quickly, in spite of the cold November air. While most students were in class or still asleep in their beds, the Ecology Club and its supporters succeeded in their mission of providing enter-mission of providing entermission of providing enter-tainment while helping the environment and promoting

environment and promoting recycling on campus. The Ecology Club's re-cycling department, super-vised by sophomore Alicia Middleton, threw on their jackets and set up a pile of aluminum soda cans and tables on the Great Lawn in front of the Student Center. With 607 cans in all, the Ecology Club was still urg-

ing students to donate more soda cans to their cause.

"I was actually disappointed at James River Halis' participation. They only contributed 45 cans totall' said Middleton. The purpose of this event was to promote recycling throughout the camps and apartments, as well as to raise money for the camps and apartments, as well as to raise money for the

camps and apartments, as well as to raise money for the Ecology Club. The Club members planned on holding the event from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. or until all the cans were crushed. During the Can Crush there were soda can crushing contests as well as races with candy as prizes. The group also sold cans of soda to students, as long as they contributed the empty can back to the pile.

"I was surprised at how many cans we actually got. It was a much better turnout than we had all expected,"

who has a gang bathroom, I don't shower for the entire

I don't shower for the entire weekend.

The bathroom set up freshman year was the best because there was door on either side, one leading to each room of the suite. This meant at any time you could lock one of your roommates in the bathroom and sit outside and laugh.or go get lunch.or to take your three hour final.or go home for Winter Break.

I share an apartment with three long-haired females yet I have never seen anything as hairy as a guys'

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said sopnomore club member Shawna Ritter.
Along with the can crushing events, the Ecology Club also set up information boards on "Meat and the Environment" and how to care for pet fish. The boards were set up to let the student body become more aware of what the Ecology Club does, and what their interests are.

"So far we have had a few students come by to see

"So far we have had a few students come by to see what was going on, but I have no idea what to expect later on today," said Riter, about the student turnout at

about the student where event.
Overall, the Campuswide Can Crush was a great success. The Ecology Club said that they appreciated the student's participation, and they hope to hold another recycling event later in the school year.

The worst thing in the world The hierarchy of college baratonoms is even more intrational than the hierarchy of class registration. Preshman year I had to share a bathroom with five other girls. The share is a share a share of the share is a share a bathroom is about the size of my freshman dorm room, and I have it all to myself. When I go visit friends at other schools with those scary gang bathrooms, I am baffled. Not only do they shower in shoes and crate their stuff to only do they shower in shoes and crate their stuff to and from the room each time, but they also expect to get clean while standing in the water from the five other showers in the room. On a normal day at home I shower one or room of the shown is shower one or the shown is shown the shown in the The hierarchy of college Newest Wonder

Observational Humor:

of the World should be college bathrooms

By Taryn Cornelius #

I can't ever remember how many wonders of the world there are, but the newest one should be college bathrooms. Included in that wonder would be how six girls can manage to share one bathroom, and how half as many erus can time. as many guys can turn a bathroom into a bio-hazard in less than a week. My freshman year,

light was out in my suite's bathroom for three days. The lights should never be on in some of the guys' bathrooms

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Every bathroom should have three key things when it comes to the college perspective: cold tile, functioning porcelain god and a shower curtain.

Apparently last year I didn't pay enough to the Housing gods, because I only got half of a shower curtain for my full-sized bathroom. This year I didn't get one at all.

bathroom floor.

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For some reason, someone decided that it would be
a good idea to put sofas and
chairs in the lounge area of
women's public bathroomslike the ones at the Student

wothers or a the Student Center.

This is fine for those trips to the bathroom which must be taken in at least a group of three, for whatever reason girls do that. This in't so great for every time I go to use the restroom and someone is sleeping on them.

To compensate for the ladies room having a lounge, guy apparently get the newspaper posted in ideal places. While we're stuck looking at yet another ad for unplanned pregnancies, the guys get to read about Barry Bonds hitting yet another home run.

Personal bathrooms are

Bonds hitting home run.
Personal bathrooms are interesting because lots of times they allow you to see a different side of a person by the decorations posted on the different side of a person by the decorations posted on the wall. Mini golf on the floor or a "rules of the bathroom" sign is also entertaining. All of these things also distract you from the Wookie grow-ing on the floor, and that person who not only sleeps on the bathroom couch, but who also brings a blanket and alarm clock too.

DANCING, from

DANCING, from page 6 explained that in Puerto Rico, as it is in most types of Latin Dance, it is customary for the boy to lead the girl in all of her turns. The girl must learn to spin, twist, and turn while keeping in step and moving her hips.

The class then started working with partners, and Torres traveled around the room watching feet and checking to make sure everyone was on beat. He then performed a dance with Puerformers.

eryone was on beat. He then performed a dance with Pu-entes, showing off all of the turns they knew of meren-gue, which was his "forte." "You can make up your

own turns; you can personal-ize it in whichever way you guys want." said Torres, Lat-in dancing is like speech, and there exists a lot of variations of dance, according to Torres. He also explained that the style he way the younger genera-tion dances.

dances. Torres then showed salsa moves, but clarified that the salsa is more difficult than the merengue. They are similar, however salsa music similar, however salsa music has more percussion beats and there is a more "intricate system of steps." The class finished off by learning turns, and as the class filed out I learned of

why they came. "I came for dance experience in general, because I'm a music/ theater major," said freshman Lana Borgie. Borgie said if another class was offered she would probably come back.

The come and dance, the most inspiring was that of the teacher. Torres was pleased with the outcome of the class, and said that he did not expect such a large turnout. Torres said, "You have to immerse yourself into the song and feel it. We're brought up to believe it is pretty much a story, and you have to feel the story."

CNU Tonite strikes back

By Tyler Fitzhugh

On Wednesday night, an anxious crowd waited for doors of the Gaines The first CNU Tonte show of the semester. After several minutes of being in line, the crowd finally surged into the auditorium. The turnout was so large that spectators had to sit in extra seats in the back or stand. Once the lights came up the 26-member cast was introduced and the show began.

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Although the audience did not find the first few spoofs to be very comedic, the cast quickly recovered with a "Terminator" themed skit in which "Arnold" harasses the boy coming to take his daughter out. The CNN (Christopher Newpost newscast skit was an extremely furny high-point of the show. After a few prizes were given to the audience, the newscast began with sophomore. Cathy Evans being placed in a duffel bag for a \$10 beta joke stemming from the Captain's Log article last week which told of the student living in a van for \$5.

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Senior Chris Rice and

sophomore Jordan Maroon had perfect timing and showed off improvisational skills during the news skit. These skills were illustrated when Maroon quickly recovered after the audience failed to respond as he expected them to.

With Cathy Evans still in storage, the audience watched a video parody of MTV's Cribs, starring an animated Paul Trible. Besides being slow moving, the vid-

being slow moving, the vid-eo was slightly hard to hear and understand, which took

and understand, which took away from its humor.

Another jab was directed at the new Coordinator of Student Activities, Jonathan Janis, Janis was in the audience, and took the joke in stride. While Cathy Evans won the impressive bet, she unfortunately was "punk"d, and not rewarded with the \$10 she deserved. and not rewarde \$10 she deserved.

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Next up was a hairy lady
skit, which left me speechless. This was followed by a
CNU bookstore skit, and a
Hurricane Isabel skit which
were both funny and painfully true.

were both funny and pain-fully true.

My personal favorite was the game show bit in which Chris Rice plays Kip Kippo potamus; a sarcastic but hi-larious game show host. All the actors involved in this

skit were as dead on funny as they could be. Timing was perfect and a slightly faulty mustache only propelled the humor to a whole new level. Two more skits followed to conclude the show and the as it had filled an horroriler. After the show! Caught up with Leah Salzberg, who said, "The only thing hotter than the show, was the cute guy two rows back!" "It takes a lot of devotion and hardwork but in the end it all comes together to form a great show, said freshman Cara Moser, one of the featured performers. The show rally played off of the school's faults, which made it timus and applicable.

made it funny and applicable to everyone in the audience. She added that the rehearsals

to everyone in the audience. She added that the rehearsals had been and hour and a half for the last week, 6 hours the day before and 3 hours on the day of the show. Senior K.T. Peterlin, CNU Tonite's director, is credited with much of the shows success. There will be 2 performances next semester, and Peterlin hopes for another good turnout, stating that the cast and crew "Thrive off of the audience and strive to put on a good show."



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Comics and Crosswords

Mystic Stars

Weekly Horoscope For November 17-23

By Lasha Seniuk Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

Aries (March 21-April 20). Over the next few days, close relatives may rely on your advice, windom and social counsel. After Monday, expect lowed ones to reveal their private though or ask probing questions. Group ethics, planned celebrations of complicated social invitations may be at issue. Be diplomatic but push for valid answers. Detailed explanations will soon bring emotional clarity. Later this week, financial restrictions will steadily fade. Remain open. New sources of income are highlighted.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Money discussions may be unusually com-plex over the next four days. Friends, relatives or long-term partners will easily misinterpret key financial information, schedules or promises. Clar-ity may prove difficult. Expect temporary mistakes, ongoing disagre-ments and costly errors. After midweek, new friendships, creative group events and light workplace filtrations will help build confidence. Accept all invitations. Social isolation and romantic doubt need to end.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Emotional vitality will be low this week. Gemini (May 21-June 21). Emotional vitality will be low this week. After an interse phase of romantic or business progress, many Geminis may need to rest and regroup. Share all ideas with trusted companions and find positive ways to regain perspective. Recently discussed career plans will soon be put into action. Later this week, loved ones may demand extra private time for reflection. Family financial decisions or new romantic commitments may be key issues. Stay motivated.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Late Tuesday, a close colleague may offer a rare glimpse into office politics. Hidden alliances, subtle permissions or favoritism may be accented. Remain quietly detached and gather useful information. Better opportunities for advancement will arrive later next week. After Friday, romantic decision and creative sensuality are highlighted. Someone close may wish to explore a new level of commitment and trust. Carefully consider all consequences. Passions will be high.

Leo (July 23-Aug, 22). Yesterday's friendships require completion. Af-ter Tuesday, expect distant companions, old lovers or past acquaintainces to reappear. Unresolved relationships may soon be the focus of intimate discussions. Respond quickly to passionate demands, complex proposals and rare invitations. Someone close may need to reaffirm his or her af-fections. Friday through Stunday, minor home tensions are bothersome. If possible, avoid detailed or serious financial decisions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Group dynamics and social identity are strong themes this week. Pay special attention to fast changes in business relationships or rare challenges to your public image. Refuse to be derailed. At present, positive displays of confidence will bring fast improvements and meaningful financial results. After Thursday, plan unique romantic or social encounters. Someone close may be feeling lonely or unappreciated. Don't disappoint. Complicated relationships require nurturing.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). After Tuesday, younger friends or relatives rely heavily on your advice. Business strategies, workplace conflict or career choices may be central themes. Monday through Wednesday, watch also for a sincere romantic filtration or social invitation. Explore all possibilities. Cozy, private encounters will soon lead to lasting commitment. Librars born after 1973 may also encounter a rare social triangle. Stay focused. Ethical proposals and quick decisions are accented.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Although draining, minor family disputes will be easily resolved this week. Before midweek, expect roommates or relatives to be moody, temperamental or quick to judge. Take none of it personally. Loved ones need extra time to resolve inner conflicts, social regrets or business disappointments. Late Friday, a complex but exciting flittation may turn passionate. Ask for extra time. New relationships, extit travel or unusual leisure activities will soon compete for attention.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Career ambitions are revitalized this week. Late Tuesday, expect romantic partners or family members to introduce fresh business ideas, money schedules or job announcements. In the coming weeks, both emotional and financial security will increase. Respond honestly to all proposals or suggestions. After Thursday, a recent social dispute will be quickly resolved. Friends and close colleagues will sincerely ask for forgiveness. All is well. Don't hold back.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Loved ones may wish to examine past family history, outdated social promises or complex group events. No serious or lasting consequences can be expected, so not to worry. Do, however, provide clear indications of your home values or long-term phinosophy. A detailed explanation of lifestyle choices may also be needed. Late Saturday, past lowers or old friends may appear without warning. Memories and expectations are high. Remain detached, if possible.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Before midweek, workplace diplomacy may bring important breakthroughs. Friends and colleagues will offer unexpected criticism or misinformation. Patiently provide direction. At present, your guidance and social expertise will be greatly appreciated by fellow workers. Managers and officials will deny involvement. Don't control. Later this week, recently despondent lovers and long-term friends will expect new promises. Be honest. Your observations are valid.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Romantic flirtations on the work scene should be carefully avoided this week. New colleagues or customers may soon reveal their deeper emotional needs. Stay balanced and allow others a gentle alternative to social controversy. Uproductive triangles may prove costly. Wednesday through Saturday, family members admit to unusual financial or business mistakes. Propose creative partnerships and ask for detailed paperwork. Shared solutions will bring fast result.

If your birthday is this week... A recent phase of romantic disinterest or arguments between friends will soon fade. After Dec. 3, whath for a powerful wave of sensuality and social excitement to arrive. Over the next five months, previously strained relationships and new friendships will experience a relixinded awareness of intimacy and trust. If possible, vital family or romantic decisions should be finalized by late April. Much of 2004 will focus on revised partnerships and home planning. After midjune, watch also for a complex job assignment or new educational program to demand attention. Loved ones may outline changing priorities or rare conflicts. Don't be derailed. This is a powerful year for romantic and business success.

Crossword

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Sports

Basketball Intramurals Tip Off



ohn Corbin (9) drives against Billy Owens (8) when the Santoro Hall and the Colonel's Pride battled it out o

trie intramural basketball cou	rts last Inursuay.			
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Men's basketball looks to a new season

Hepner, Hampton and Collins look to lead the team Sports Analysis

By Katie Brackett rts Editor

CNU basketball kicks off its season next Tuesday against Marymount. The team comprised of four freelment, six sogiotorese, rolor Marcus Carter, will rely heavily on the returning players such as Blake Brookman, Otho Hampton, and Mark Hepner.

Brookman led the team last year as point guard with 143 points, 368 field goal percentage, he averaged five points per game.

Hampton also brings leadership to the young team with his dominating offensive and defensive play. He had 221 points during the 2003-2004 season with a shooting percentage of .466 and averaging 7 points per game.

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The team lost Jermaine Woods who led the team in just about every category with over 566 points during last season. They also lost Tyrell Veney, center Terry Gray who was a dominating force on detension, and the season of the sea

Shooting at .553 percentage from the field.

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Last year the CNU deferese held their opponents to 1,943 points on the entire season, averaging just 67 points per game.

The offense shot for 2,344 points averaging 80 points per game, 13 points ahead on average.

In Terry Gray they lost one of their strongest defensive threats as he had 86 blocks and 43 steals on the season. Heard, Hampton and Woods followed closely behind him.

Hampton looks to be their biggest defensive threats with 15 blocks last season and 43 steals.

and 43 steals.

Last season he had 174 rebounds on the season averaging six per game second only to Terry Gray. 109 of those 174 total rebounds

were defensive. We can look to see him crashing the boards this season.

Hepner was second in the field goal percentage shooting 781/41, Paul Michael was the leader in that category shooting 9716.

Tim Collins looks to be explosive shooting from the perimeter and behind the three-point line. He shot 157.

Brookman also had al steals during the season averaging 1.4 per game. with 142 dal al averaging 4.9 per game.

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with 142 fotal averaging to-per game.

The younger guys also bring a new attitude to the team as the four new fresh-men, Travis Klink, Don't'a Seldon, Jordan Short, and Mike Witham look to their first season as Captains.

Captains winning streak ends at seven games

With nine seconds left in the game; Broskie misses a 27-yard field goal; CNU falls to Ferrum 19-17

The Captains dropped their first conference game to Ferrum this Saturday 19-17. The game was on the line as Broskie missed a field goal that would have given CNU the win. CNU dropped seven spots to 20th in D3 Football's top 25. The Panther's came out striking first. Terell Mullford campered for 10 yards to score.

re. With just 8:29 left in the t quarter Ferrum took the

17-0. CNU tied the score at

CNU tied the score at seven on a Phillip Jones pass to George Jones with a 16-yard pass just three minutes later in the first quarter.

With 11 minutes left in the half Ferrum answered back with a 16-yard pass from Jermaine Pitts to Silk, the extra oncit was not such extra point was not suc-sful and the lead was

Broskie cut the lead 13-

Broskie cut the lead 1310 with a 24-yard field goal
late in the third quarter.
CVIU grabbed their
second touchdown with 10:
47 left in the game as Phillip Jones connected with
Bryan Haygood for a 13-yard
touchdown pass. The lead
was cut to 13-17.
Silk took his second
touchdown on a 17-yard
pass from Pitts Ferrum led
19-10 with just 14:54 left in
the game.

the game.

The defense answered back grabbing an interception and regaining possession.

The offense drove the length of the field and Broskie lined up 27-yards out and missing the kick wide left.

wide left.

Ferrum called two timeouts to ice Broskie as they
advanced to win this close
contest and end CNU's winning streak at seven games.

This game can be attributed to the penalty yards
racked up against CNU as
they had eight penalties for
114 yards.

Factories

yards. Ferrum had only five

penalties for 48 yards.

Mario Marin led the
Captains with 58 yards rush-

ing on 16 carries.

Thomas Thornton came
out with 55 yards on 15 at-

tempts. Phillip Jones was 27-of-36 for 289 yards and two touchdows.
George Jones finished with 11 school records for 123 yards and one touch-down. Nathan Davis caught six passes for 82 yards. CNU led in every category other than points and penalties.
The Captains had 27 first downs to Ferrum's 14.
In passing yardage CNU had 289 the Fanthers racked up on 60.
CNU ms 3 for 6 on fourth down conversions.
CNU finishes the regular

up on 60.

CNU was 3 for 6 on fourth down conversions.

CNU finishes the regular season 7-2 overall and 5-1 in the USA South.

Heading into the post-season, they will take on Muhlenberg this Saturday.

Students are advised to pick, up tickets at the Free-men Center Saturday morning starting at 9 A.M.

Students do not have to pay for tickets if they buy them from the Freeman Center Saturday morning.

CNU was originally supposed to play Muhlenberg in late September, however due to Hurricane Isabel the game was canceled.

Muhlenberg is currently.

Mo. 36 in the nation heading into the post season.





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Want to be on the radio?

Come to the WCNU interest meeting this Thursday at 12:15 in the York River East Study Room.



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If you are interested in becoming a member of the WCNU Radio team, come on out.

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