

## McIntire School ranks No. 2 nationally



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Marshall Bronfin | Cavalier Daily

Bloomberg Businessweek's undergraduate business school rankings report released last Wednesday placed the McIntire School of Commerce second among the country's best undergraduate business programs, marking the school's eighth consecutive year with a top-two ranking. The Notre Dame Mendoza College of Business secured the top spot.

The report, released annually by Bloomberg since 2006, compiles the rankings based on a number of criteria, including surveys of senior business majors and employers, academic statistics, graduate enrollment numbers in top-ranked programs and median starting salary. "While we appreciate this external validation, our focus is always on providing the absolutely best experience that we can for our students, both in and out of the class-

room," McIntire spokesperson Jim Travisano said.

According to the Bloomberg report, 97 percent of students from the McIntire class of 2012 had a job within three months of graduation. Ninety percent of the class of 2013 has also already had

at least one business internship, the report said.

"I've had the opportunity to sit in on classes, and I'm constantly impressed with the creativity, thoughtful engage-

ment and work ethic both students and faculty bring to the classroom," Travisano said. "Rather than offering traditional, independent core courses, the faculty engages students in a coherent, integrated curriculum focusing on real world business issues. By the time they graduate, our students are ready to hit the ground running."

—compiled by Shannon Reres

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## Group tackles U.Va.'s future

*Student-run initiative Imagine UVA hopes to create dialogue, debate*

In an effort to spark student conversation about the future of the University, the student representatives from the seven working groups of the University's Strategic Planning Steering Committee officially formed Imagine UVA Tuesday.

Under the heading of Imagine UVA those representatives will

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## Police investigate assault case



Charlottesville Police responded to a call late Friday night at the Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant on Emmet Street, where shots were reportedly fired and three individuals sustained injuries.

Courtesy of Buffalo Wild Wings

Charlottesville Police are still investigating an assault that occurred at the Buffalo Wild Wings on Emmet Street Friday night. Three people were sent to the University Medical Center and a fourth

individual was arrested in a fight that reportedly involved a group of 20 people.

Shots were fired at the scene and first responders were able to determine that 20-year-old Antwan Cham-

bers had pulled the trigger, Charlottesville Police Lt. Ronnie Roberts said. Chambers was arrested for reckless use of a firearm, as well as as underage possession of alcohol, possession of marijuana with intent to

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distribute and possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Two men were sent to the University Medical Center for treatment, one for stab wounds to the lower torso and the other for lacerations to the facial area. A woman was also punched during the fight and was sent to the Medical Center.

No further arrests have been made at this time. Roberts said it has been more than six months since an incident of this nature has occurred this close to the University.

—compiled by Maggie Ambrose

### MEN'S TENNIS

### SPORTS

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## No. 1 Cavaliers reach 13-0



Courtesy of Virginia Athletics

Freshman Mac Styslinger helped propel his team to a 95th consecutive win against ACC opponents with three total victories during the weekend.

The top-ranked Virginia men's tennis team remained unbeaten last weekend as it downed No. 8 Duke 4-3 and No. 70 North Carolina 6-1.

The Cavaliers (13-0, 2-0 ACC) hosted Duke (14-4, 2-1 ACC) Friday after last facing the Blue Devils in February's ITA National Team Indoors. Virginia won the doubles point for the seventh consecutive time in what would eventually prove a critical start to a highly contested match.

No. 2 pair senior Jarmere Jenkins and freshman Mac Styslinger fell to No. 1 Henrique Cunha and Raphael Hemmeler 8-3 on the first court, but No. 46 junior Alex Domijan and sopho-

more Mitchell Frank followed by defeating No. 9 Michael Redlicki and Jason Tahir 8-3 on the second. The No. 27 tandem of junior Justin Shane and senior Julien Uriguen clinched the point with a triumph against No. 25 Chris Mengel and Fred Saba 8-5 at No. 3.

In singles, No. 81 Frank made quick work of No. 26 Redlicki on court three before Duke took the next three wins to storm to a 3-2 advantage. On the fourth court, No. 12 Styslinger kept the Cavaliers alive with a 6-1, 7-6(7) win against No. 89 Mengel. Uriguen, in the No. 6 slot, finished the match a hero with a 7-6(6), 6-4 win against Tahir,

clinching a nerve-racking win for Virginia.

Sunday's match against North Carolina (7-10, 0-4 ACC) was considerably less dramatic. Domijan and Frank topped Brett Clark and William Parker 8-1 at No. 2 doubles, while Jenkins and Styslinger defeated Nelson Vick and Esben Hess-Olesen 8-4 on the first court to quickly claim the doubles point.

The Cavaliers then cruised through singles play. Domijan, at No. 3, topped No. 113 Vick 6-1, 6-1 to bounce back from Friday's loss. Styslinger finished next with a 6-2, 6-1 win against No. 114 Oystein Steiro at No. 5, and No. 70 freshman Harrison Richmond clinched the win for Virginia at the No. 6 slot with a 6-3, 6-4 victory against Maik Ulrich. Frank defeated No. 104 Clark 6-2, 6-4 on the second court before the Tar Heels secured their only point when Parker ousted No. 22 Ryan Shane 1-6, 6-3, 6-4. Jenkins capped the match on the first court by prevailing 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 against No. 35 Hess-Olesen.

The weekend sweep extended the Cavaliers' record win streak against ACC foes to a staggering 95.

Virginia returns to action Thursday against Virginia Tech for its last home match for two weeks. Opening serve at the Synder Tennis Center is at 3 p.m.

—compiled by Kerry Mitchell

## No. 32 Virginia smashes BC, Tech

*Despite Epstein's absence, squad clobbers ACC foes to push winning streak to season-high five*

**By Ryan Taylor**

Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The No. 32 Virginia women's tennis team continued to dominate this weekend, easily defeating No. 72 Boston College and No. 55 Virginia Tech to stretch its win streak to five. Virginia (8-6, 3-0 ACC) cruised to a 6-1 victory against Boston

College Friday before earning bragging rights over its Hokie rivals Saturday, again winning 6-1.

The beginning of the match against Boston College (7-3, 1-2 ACC) was slightly delayed due to inclement weather, forcing Virginia officials to move the competition inside.

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Senior Erin Vierra coasted to victories in both her singles matches against Boston College and Virginia Tech in Charlottesville this weekend.

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# U.Va. research receives grants

Biomedical Innovation Fund provides researchers \$200,000 to improve disease treatment, diagnostics

Erik Payne  
Cavalier Daily Senior Writer

The University's Biomedical Innovation Fund announced Friday it would grant \$200,000 to several University research projects designed to improve diagnostic techniques in disease treatment.

Four proposals, three from from the Medical School and one from the College's biology department, were selected to receive \$50,000 each. The foundation has been awarding grants since 2008, and received a record-breaking 28 proposals for those awards this year, said Dr. Christopher M. Kramer, a University professor of radiology and member of the fund's review and governing boards.

"[T]he goal is to spearhead research that may or may not be funded through other mechanisms, [and] that will lead to improvement in patient care," Kramer said. "Moderate sized grants that can jump-start projects can lead to larger scale projects that could be funded by other mechanisms."

The winning proposals address a variety of medical fields, ranging from a new therapeutic technique to stimulate the red blood cell production in cancer patients and some diabetics, to an exploration into the use of a predatory vampire bacteria as a therapy against a bacterium

that causes pneumonia in cystic fibrosis patients. "There are no preordained areas of giving," Kramer said. "We select the projects that are the most deserving and innovative and we go from there."

Dr. Robert Thiele, a thoracic surgeon who is completing a critical care fellowship at the University this year and received one of the foundation's grants this year, said the fund is an important resource for research which would otherwise often go unfunded.

"Clinicians interested in biomedical device development typically have a difficult time obtaining external funding," Thiele said in a press release. "The Biomedical Innovation Fund award will allow us to construct a workable prototype in the setting of a teaching institution and, if all goes well, move directly toward commercialization."

More than \$1 million has been granted to 22 projects since the program's inception, with each project receiving between \$20,000 and \$80,000, according to the Fund's website.

"We are very excited about the grants we have given out over the last several years," Kramer said. "The grants we have given in previous years have developed into multiple patents and have received funding from other groups."

# StudCo changes website

Council announces redesign to online format, hopes to increase transparency

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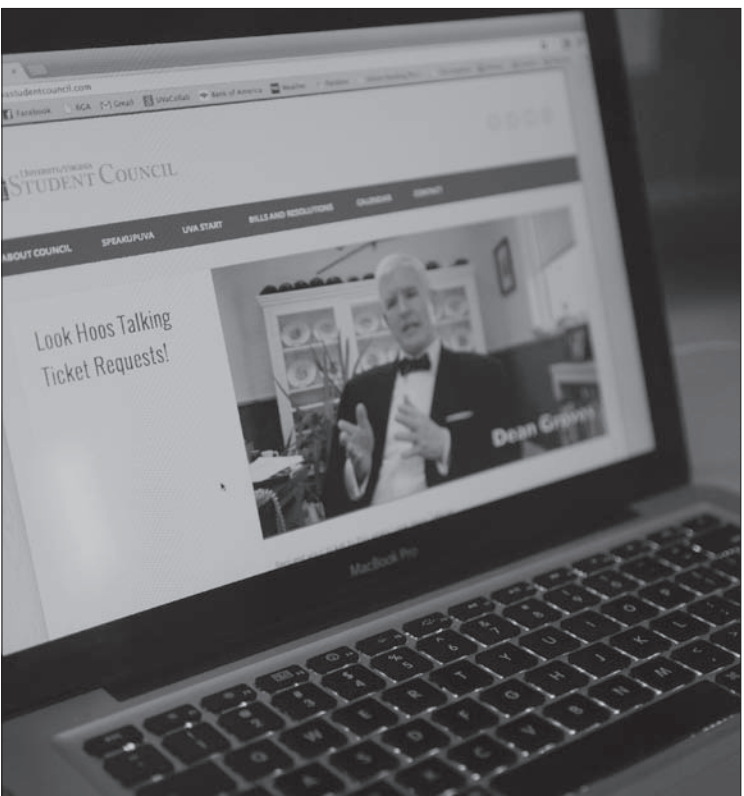
Student Council launched its redesigned website this weekend, including changes that allow student representatives' blogs to appear on the site's front page and a new tab specifically for bills pending discussion.

The changes complement the comprehensive bylaw reforms Council passed in February which restructured committee meetings so more conversation takes place before bills make it to the floor, said President-elect Eric McDaniel. "This is really all about efficiency and streamlining," he said.

In a given month on the old website, fewer than 15 percent of visitors went to the "News" tab, according to data compiled by Chief Technology Officer Alex Pawlowski, a third-year Engineering student. Information from that tab now appears on the front page in an effort to make Council operations more transparent, McDaniel said.

"On the previous site, we were already getting a lot of student views," McDaniel said. "If people are already coming to our site as a resource, let's make sure this resource is as great as possible."

In addition to streamlining information on the front page, Council also will now publish bills online two days before their introduction at Council meetings and nine days before a vote in the leg-



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The newly launched Student Council website will allow students to view recent Council bills pending discussion.

islative body.

"[This] will help to connect students to their student government, whether or not they are formally affiliated with StudCo," McDaniel said in a press release Monday.

Within two weeks, Pawlowski will have data on how long students spend on the redesigned site to determine how easy it is for students to find targeted information. He will also collect information on mobile traffic to the site, which he expects to increase.

"A lot of people use iPads or iPhones or other mobile devices to check our website, and [now] it is a lot easier to load our webpage," he said.

McDaniel hopes the site will help Council increase its transparency. "We at last have our own house in order, and are ready to step up to bat and serve the student body in every way we can," McDaniel said.

Students who wish to submit feedback on the site can do so at [speakupuva.com](http://speakupuva.com).

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host several on-Grounds events and solicit students' opinions through Imagine UVA's Facebook page in order to better report the student body's opinions and ideas to the steering committee, said second-

year College student Katharine Sadowski, a representative from one of the seven working groups.

"We will use the use the information from the Facebook page to decide which issues that the student body most wants addressed," she said.

The steering committee, an organization run by the President's office, will then report students', the faculty's and the administration's thoughts to the Board of Visitors, Sadowski said.

One of Imagine UVA's first events will be an open forum

April 11 for students to present concerns they want the student leaders to present to the Board when it convenes April 18.

Imagine UVA will also be guided by Betsy Ackerson, project manager for strategic planning, and Senior Vice Provost Milton Adams, both members

of the President's steering committee.

"Although I'm coordinating the overall planning process, what is important is that [the students] are organizing it themselves and it was their initiative that got it going," Adams said.

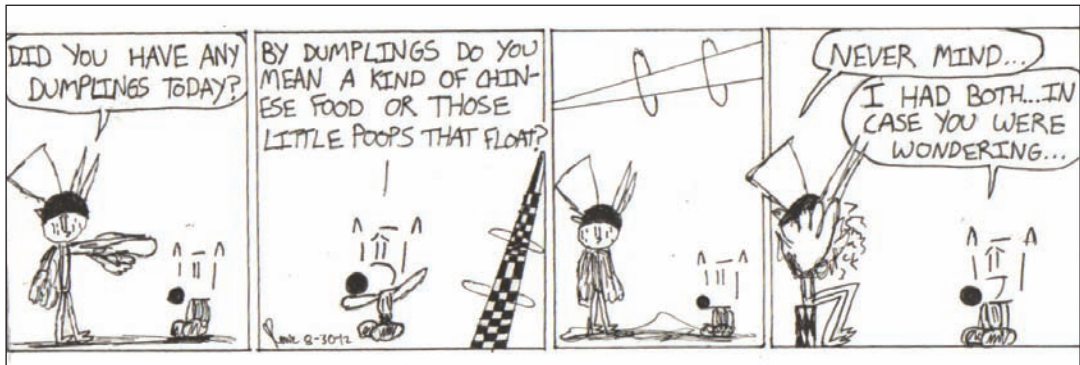




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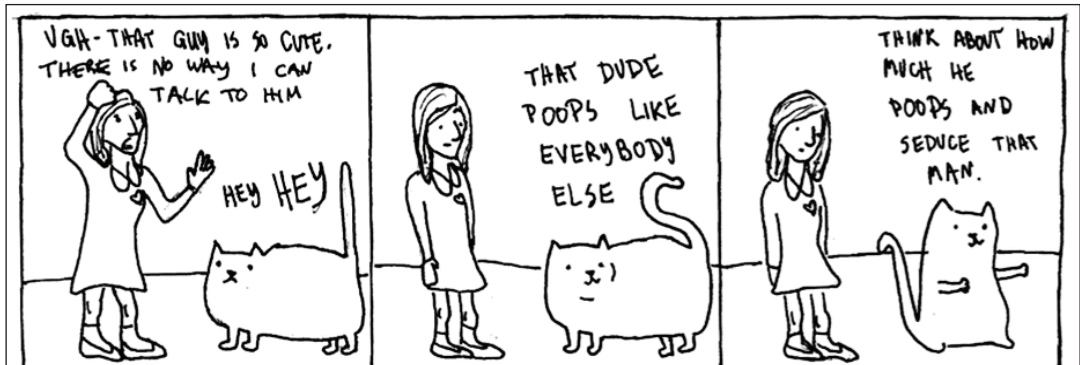
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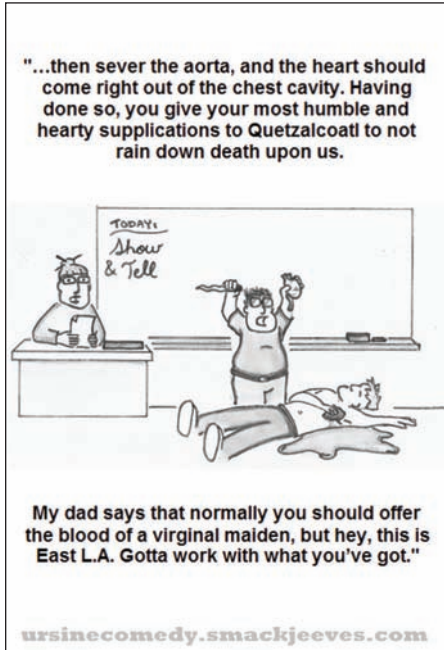
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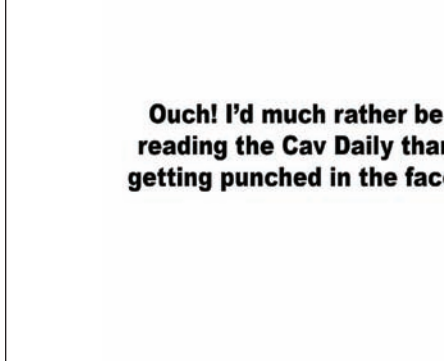
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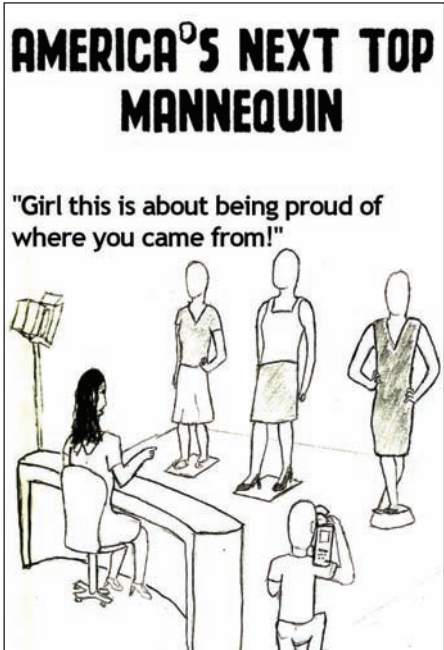
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The bit of good cheer you get from your guiding planet helps you see the beauty around you. Tonight, you're in for the most wonderful night of your life — actually, every night you spend with your loved ones is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Greatness takes effort. There's much about your project that will get fixed as you and others spend more time on it. Definitely wait until it's really ready to turn it in.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're asking questions. Vagaries become clear. This is how you make yourself indispensable to your employer. It's crucial to learn exactly where and how the money is made in your industry.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be invited places. When someone says, "It wouldn't be the same without you," it's sincere. Make sure to be where people appreciate the special spark of interest you bring to events.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're lucky, so long as you're aware of luck when it pops into your world. Furthermore, when opportunity meets you for lunch, you don't let it pick of the tab. You show initiative, style and generosity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you get what you want, great. If you don't, you don't. No big deal, right? Well, today it certainly is a big deal. Refuse to believe that getting less than what you wanted is in the cards for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You like to appear self-contained, but be careful not to be smug about the help that's offered you. You are amazing and always remember that.

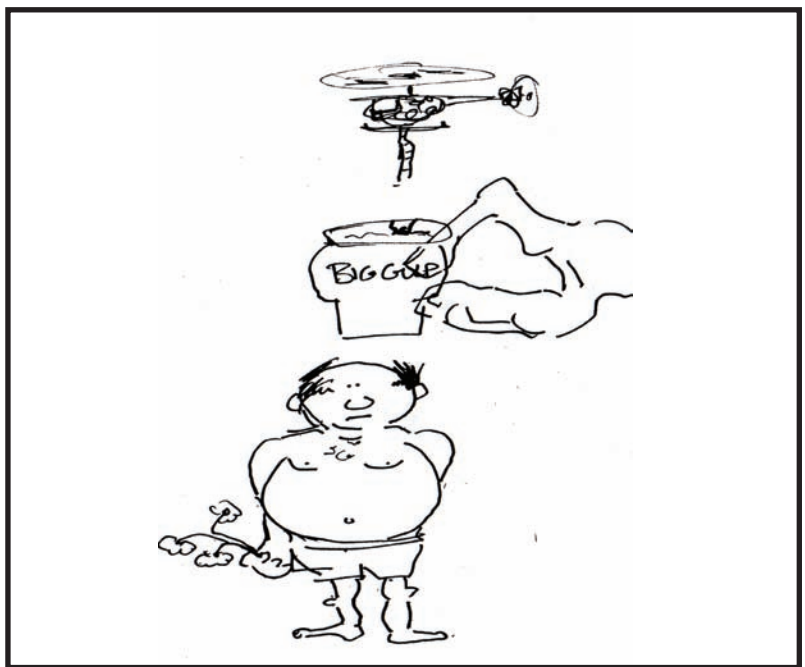
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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are determined to delay your pleasure and do your duty even when it's unappealing (or worse, boring!) In this way, you can train your ego to fall in line with the dictates of your higher self.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're an expert at balancing your attention in multiple relationships. You give enough to let others know you're interested in them and consider them very important. And you pull back enough to allow them to reach for you. Stay sneaky.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your strong statements and honest declarations will win the trust and esteem of others. So, just for now, forget about being mysterious. Lay your heart on the line.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 26). You have an excellent sense of what it will take to fit, not blend, into your surroundings. You realize that by working with others you can make the improvements that rock your world and elevate your spirits. You show initiative when it counts, and support your team when that's what's important. Gemini and Scorpio are there when you need them. Your lucky numbers are: 11, 42, 13, 20 and 19.



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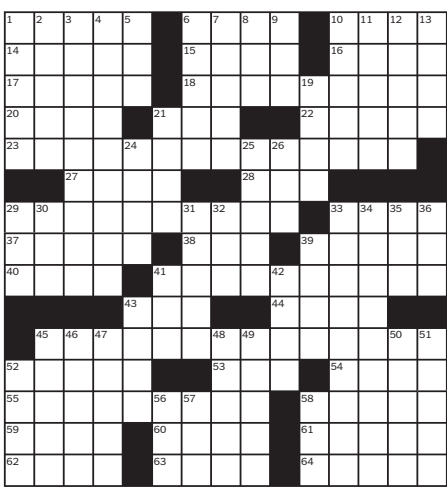
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# Athletes shine at Virginia Cup

Despite spotty team showings, men, women claim 10 combined event titles in outdoor debut

By Matthew Wurzburger  
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The Virginia men's and women's track teams opened the long outdoor season last Saturday with the Virginia Cup at Lannigan Field. The Cavaliers did not field a full squad but still managed to win 10 individual events.

The women's high jump provided exhilarating competition early in the morning. Two Cavaliers, sophomore Moira Cronin and senior Pearl Bickersteth, found themselves engaged in a duel for top marks in the first field event with Virginia participants. The duo exchanged fouls for several attempts before Cronin cleared 5'7" to claim a

Hayes of Virginia Commonwealth. The dominance would carry over into the 200 meter run, where Lavender's 23.79-second run earned her the title.

Despite scattered individual successes, Virginia struggled overall in the team competition. The women's team defeated Radford and VCU, but fell to James Madison and Liberty in the dual meet-formatted competition. The Virginia men fell short in the team standings, as well, falling behind Radford, VCU and Liberty.

But the coaching staff was not overly troubled by the team losses, saying the focus of the event was on experimentation and diversifying athletes' skill sets.



Courtesy Virginia Athletics

Sophomore Drew Paisley needed a fierce finishing kick to win the 1500 meter run in a time of 3:57.00 at the Virginia Cup Saturday.

close victory.

Later in the day, Virginia junior Aaron Shepperd dominated the men's 110 meter hurdles. Shepperd bolted to a time of 14.72 in the preliminary heat then followed up with a 15.03 in the finals to capture first place.

Both the men's and women's 1500 meter run culminated in decisive triumphs for Virginia. Sophomore Drew Paisley implemented a textbook burst in the race's final 400 meters to overtake Radford junior Brian Gorwitz for the win.

"I saw him coming back to me pretty quickly, and I knew I could not let him win," Paisley said. "Having a kick like that will be great when preparing for championship meets."

In the women's 1500, a trio of Cavaliers — junior Barbara Strehler, sophomore Kathleen Stevens and freshman Audrey Batzel — swept the top three places in commanding fashion. Stevens held the lead for two laps, but a strong move propelled Strehler to the lead with 600 meters remaining. Strehler opened up the gap with 200 meters left and crossed the finish line with a time of 4:31.87.

Sophomore Jordan Lavender highlighted the Virginia women's performances with wins in both the 100 and 200 meter dashes. Lavender sprinted to a time of 11.94 seconds in the 100 meters to edge senior Dionna

## SOFTBALL

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# Terrapins shell Cavaliers

The Virginia softball team dropped three close battles against Maryland this weekend by scores of 6-5, 9-6 and 6-5. In each game, the Cavaliers put up strong showings on offense but failed to contain the Terrapins' explosive bats.

The series opened with a doubleheader on Saturday at Robert E. Taylor Stadium. In the first game, Virginia (12-15, 1-5 ACC) scored three unearned runs in the first inning despite not recording any hits to take an early lead. Maryland (14-16, 3-0 ACC), however, responded with two runs in the bottom of the first and four more in the third to jump ahead 6-3.

In the sixth, Cavalier junior third baseman Marcy Bowdren scored on a single by junior designated player Karli Johnson, while sophomore Megan Harris also scored to cut the deficit to one, but the tying run eluded Virginia.

On a bright note, senior pitcher Melanie Mitchell threw her 103rd career complete game, setting a school all-time record. She gave up five hits and five earned runs on the game.

In the second half of the doubleheader, Maryland freshman shortstop Lindsey Schmeiser set the tone early with a three-run home run in the first inning. Senior shortstop Alex Skinkis brought in two runs off a triple in the top of the second for Virginia, but the Terrapins reasserted their lead with five



Courtesy Virginia Athletics

Although senior Melanie Mitchell pitched her 103rd and 104th career complete games this weekend, she suffered losses in both.

unanswered runs across the second and third innings. Freshman pitcher Aimee Chapdelaine fell to 3-5 on the year and gave up four earned runs.

Sunday's series finale saw the Cavaliers fall behind 6-1 after four innings and never quite recover. A Johnson home run sparked a four-run rally for Vir-

ginia, but again the team couldn't quite close the gap, falling 6-5. Mitchell allowed five earned runs on eight hits in her 104th complete game.

The team returns home next weekend to host Boston College.

--compiled by Peter Nance

# W Tennis | Team meeting spurs Elbaba, Tomljanovic vs. Hokies

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The change did not seem to bother the Cavaliers, who jumped out to a 1-0 lead by winning two of three doubles matches.

This success in doubles came despite Virginia's forced reshuffling of its pairs with the loss of key freshman Maci Epstein, who prior to her foot injury was ranked as high as fifth in the nation along with senior partner Erin Vierra. The team's depth has dulled the impact of the blow, however, with standout freshman Stephanie Nauta stepping into Epstein's place at the No. 1 doubles position.

Once the Cavaliers captured the lead, they never looked back. Aside from the No. 4 spot, where Boston College freshman Heini Salonen bested Virginia junior Li Xi 6-1, 6-4, the team won every match in straight sets.

"Overall we played really well," Virginia freshman Julia Elbaba said. "Once we got the first sets on most courts, we slam dunked the second sets."

A confident Virginia Tech

(13-3, 2-1 ACC) squad came to Charlottesville Saturday riding a seven-match win streak. Cooperative weather allowed the match to occur outdoors at the Snyder Tennis Center. It took time for the Cavaliers to adapt to outdoor play after their indoor match the day before, and they dropped the doubles point to the Hokies. "There was definitely a lot of adversity going from indoors to outdoors," Elbaba said.

After doubles competition concluded with Virginia Tech tandem sophomore Carol Kahoun and freshman Raluca Mita pulling off a comeback 9-7 victory against Elbaba and senior Hana Tomljanovic, the Cavaliers went into their conference room to regain confidence.

"I was disappointed with how things turned out in doubles — Hana and I definitely could have played better," Elbaba said. "But, we went into the conference room and had a chat as a team to regroup." The meeting marked a pivotal moment in the match, as Virginia came out and dominated sin-

gles play thereafter. "It wasn't easy, it was a battle," coach Mark Guilbeau said. "To get off to that kind of start in singles after losing doubles is a great sign for our team."

Though the team won all six matches, Tomljanovic's quick revenge on Mita at the No. 3 spot stood as a highlight. The senior overpowered the Hokie with strong first serves and an efficient return game on her way to the 6-1, 6-2 rout that spotted Virginia a 2-1 lead.

Elbaba also stood out against Virginia Tech junior Isel Martinez-Marcos, winning 6-2, 7-5. Elbaba capitalized on the Hokie's lack of power, disturbing Martinez-Marcos into several errant serves. The only match that lasted three sets unfolded on the sixth court, where Virginia junior Caryssa Peretz outlasted Virginia Tech junior Tea Ivanovic 4-6, 6-4, 10-6 in a thrilling third set tie-break.

The Cavaliers will be back in action this weekend when they travel to North Carolina to try to upset No. 7 Duke March 29 and No. 1 North Carolina March 30.

# SPORTS AROUND THE ACC

After sophomore guard Shane Larkin drilled a step-back 3-pointer with one minute remaining for a 57-55 lead, East Region No. 2 seed Miami benefited from a blown out-of-bounds call on the ensuing Illinois possession to escape with a 63-59 victory Sunday and advance to its first NCAA Sweet 16 since 2000. Junior guard Rion Brown led the ACC Champion Hurricanes (29-6, 15-3 ACC) with 21 points off

the bench, helping coach Jim Larranaga's team overcome an uninspiring 40 percent field goal percentage. Miami is one of three teams from Florida to reach the Regional semifinal round along with Florida and Florida Gulf Coast in the South Region ... Following senior guard Seth Curry's 26-point outburst against No. 15 seed Albany in the second-round matchup, Midwest second-seed Duke rode freshman guard Rasheed Sulai-

mon's 21 points and a 36-30 rebounding edge to a 66-50 triumph against Creighton Sunday and a berth in the Sweet 16. The Blue Devils (29-5, 14-4 ACC) held the nation's second leading scorer, junior forward Doug McDermott, to just 4-of-16 shooting and reached the Sweet 16 for the fourth time in the last five seasons ... Despite holding a 30-21 halftime advantage, North Carolina floundered in the final 20 minutes against South No.

1 Kansas and eventually lost 70-58 in Sunday's NCAA Third Round matchup in Kansas City, Missouri. The Tar Heels (25-11, 12-6 ACC) had defeated Villanova 78-71 Friday and hoped to reach the Sweet 16 for the third consecutive year. With the victory, the Jayhawks (31-5, 14-4 Big 12) have now ousted North Carolina from the NCAA Tournament three times since Tar Heel head coach Roy Williams departed from Kansas after

the 2003 season ... In Dayton, East No. 8 seed NC State erased nearly all of a 16-point halftime deficit but eventually fell to Temple 76-72 in Friday's Second Round clash. The loss culminated a disappointing season for the Wolfpack (24-11, 11-7 ACC), who failed to even secure a first-round bye in the ACC Tournament after both coaches and media pegged NC State to win the conference title.

—compiled by Fritz Metzinger

Be Nice To the Squirrels around Grounds





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## The data deluge

The Engineering School should not be alone in exploring big data

Ever since the Sloan Digital Sky Survey began amassing astronomical data in 2000 and gathered more data in its first weeks than had been collected in the history of astronomy, the term “big data” began its ascendancy. In many academic circles the possibilities big data offers seem brighter than the stars the Sloan telescope observes. If one were to tally how many times people reference “big data” in current higher-education discourse — in publications, at board meetings, by the coffee machine in the faculty lounge — that collection would itself constitute a data set of dizzying size.

Big data means just what it sounds like. In the sciences, more sensitive instruments — telescopes, particle accelerators — are able to gather unprecedented amounts of information. In the humanities, the digitization of texts, run largely through Google, allows scholars to potentially employ computational methods to help us better understand our cultural inheritance on a macro-scale.

When it comes to analyzing these huge data sets, however, many scholars are at a loss. Collaborative academic work seems like a logical step. Some academics want to go further and experiment with crowdsourcing methods of data mining — hence the rise of “citizen science,” where nonprofessional researchers help scholars gather and analyze data. Though we currently have too much measurement and too little theory, it is becoming more and more likely that big data is here to stay, provided our infatuation with information technology continues.

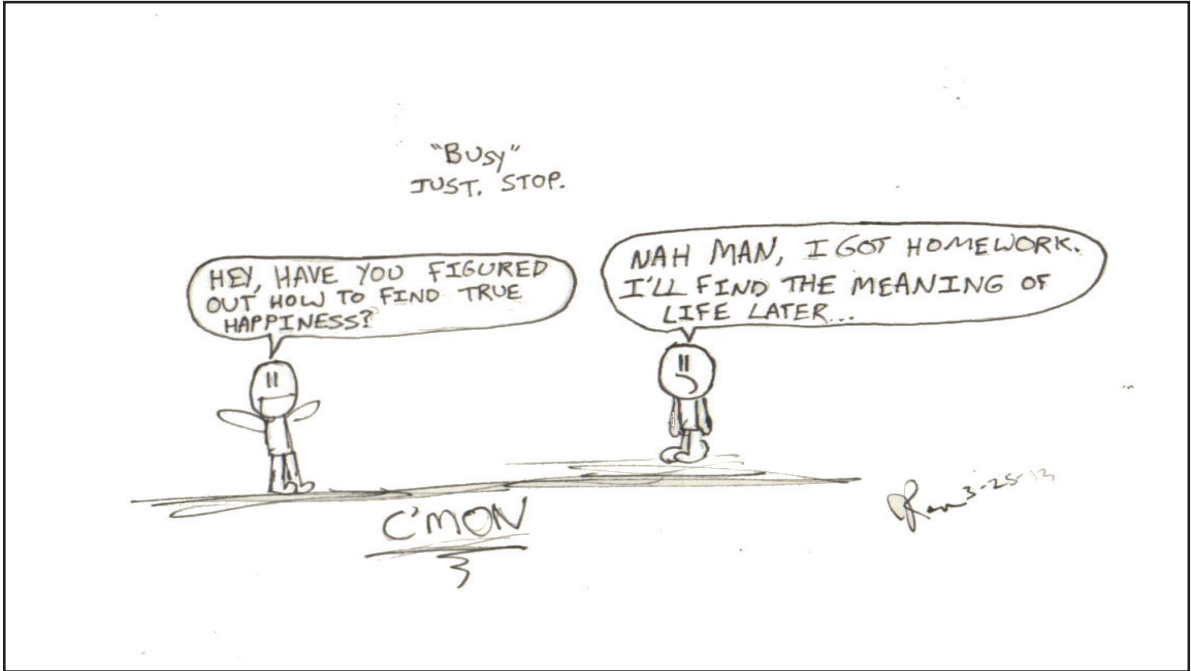
The corner of the University best equipped to incorporate big data into its curricula, thanks to its technological infrastructure and reigning scholarly interests, is the Engineering School. And with an article it published earlier this month, “Making the Leap from Data to Decisions,” the school took an aggressive stand on how thinkers should approach big data. The article’s place of publication — the

Engineering School’s monthly online newsletter — was modest, but the piece’s thrust was bold. The article reported that the Engineering School hoped to take a leading role in harnessing large information sets to produce better decisions in fields including “marketing, manufacturing or medicine.”

As with any zeitgeist, the time to capitalize is short. The article quoted Engineering Prof. Barry Horowitz, chair of the department of systems and information engineering, saying his department had “a three- to five-year window of opportunity before other departments in the country recognize the complex relationships among human decision-making, analytical decision techniques and the large data sets that can be used to support those decisions.” In other words: the University has a chance to become a pioneer in using big data to better understand human behavior, but it must act swiftly.

Like the data its scholars seek to analyze, the Engineering School’s ambitions are big. The school deserves praise for its efforts to integrate big data into the undergraduate curriculum. But the Engineering School should seek opportunities to collaborate with other departments to explore big data. The department of systems and information engineering’s current campaign to use big data to improve human decision-making offers abundant opportunities for such collaboration. The Darden School is one possible partner. Corporate activity generates large amounts of data. Harnessing such data to improve organizational efficiency and make more responsible decisions would be a step forward for business education. And guidance from economists and cognitive scientists in the College could add depth and nuance to the Engineering School’s study of risk analysis and decision-making. Big data, after all, holds promise for more than just engineering disciplines — we hear it’s the next big thing.

Editorial Cartoon by Stephen Rowe



## Making time for yourself

University students should incorporate ‘me time’ into their busy schedules

The most common complaint that I hear at U.Va. (and admit to making myself) is “there are not enough hours in the day.” It’s a fair statement to say that most students come here are quite well-rounded. In high school we all put in our dues of academics, sports, community service, leadership roles and internships.

Then, we come here and do the same thing. I started my first year rather overwhelmed since I refused to take an introductory level course. They seemed much too general for my taste — at that time, classes like sociology seemed a much better fit. But oh, and how wrong I was! I spent unnecessary hours deciphering and dissecting reading at the bottom of Clemons well past midnight. On top of the rigorous academic schedule I made for myself, I piled on the extracurricular activities. The Fall Activities Fair is one of the deadliest U.Va. traditions, because your first reaction after leaving high school is to literally “join everything.”

As I walked down the aisles of CIO offerings, I started to think “Frisbee could be fun! The new reinvented ‘college’ me is super interested in recycling; but, I also should have something in student government. I mean, I never got the chance to be student body president in high school. It’s finally my chance to show what I’ve got.”

A magazine, an academic council, and three CIOs later, I scheduled in two hours per day for

meetings.

Then, there’s our social life. Thursday hits this school, and the madness begins. All hope of a weekend to myself quickly resigns to hanging out with the friends I’ve made or the friends I want to make. This apartment pre-game, that sports game, this movie, that

have really used that time. There were so many resolutions I had made for myself after leaving high school, and there were so many patterns I intended to break. But it’s nearly impossible to break those patterns and reach those goals if you don’t give yourself the proper time to do so.

So whether it’s a workout regimen or a general appreciation toward yourself —

“Some of the best moments I’ve had in charming Charlottesville include walking alone to the Downtown Mall, stopping in a coffee shop, and reflecting or walking in the rain to sit on one of the armchairs in Alderman Cafe and to look at the details of the high ceilings. I didn’t really learn just how much I needed that time until after my fourth semester here.”

birthday dinner downtown. It’s exhausting. I don’t have many complaints on how I’ve spent my time the last four years. I have met some people I plan to keep in my life forever if they’ll have me. The one piece of advice I can give for your sanity is to take time for yourself. Some of the best moments I’ve had in charming Charlottesville include walking alone to the Downtown Mall, stopping in a coffee shop, and reflecting or walking in the rain to sit on one of the armchairs in Alderman Cafe and to look at the details of the high ceilings. I didn’t really learn just how much I needed that time until after my fourth semester here.

I often find myself wishing I really understood how I could

do fill our schedules — we add unnecessary stresses, because we live in a kind of a society that values productivity and initiative, but neglects reflection (unless its for an A in EDLF). So be involved, be social, be driven but figure out yourself on your own terms, too.

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# Between schools

Students declaring majors should consider interdisciplinary programs

Many students will declare their majors within the next month. Declaring can be a stressful but productive experience. It forces self-reflection, hopefully prompting an inventory of one's interests, talents and post-graduate goals. Many students will choose traditional majors

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in subjects such as chemistry or English, but the University offers a number of excellent interdisciplinary majors, and undergraduates overlook them to their own disadvantage. It surprises me how little attention these programs receive, for the best of them meet every item on my imaginary perfect-major checklist: they provide a competitive edge in a hostile job market, an engaging educational experience and an opportunity to transform one's thinking.

In the past decade, universities have seen an enormous growth of "interdisciplinary majors:" concentrations of study that focus on certain topics by drawing from two or more academic disciplines. The University has embraced the interdisciplinary ethos, offering majors such as cog-

nitive science, political and social thought, human biology and East Asian studies. Such majors work to dissolve the traditional barrier between theory and practice, encouraging students to tackle questions using the wisdom of multiple fields.

The value of interdisciplinary majors can be difficult to explain, and students and parents are often skeptical. Is it a real degree? Will it translate to a job? Though a hostile job climate might justify such concerns, interdisciplinary majors prepare students to tackle the challenges of an increasingly interconnected world.

In a Feb. 21 presentation to undeclared students, officials from University Career Services discussed the employment obtained by University alumni who majored in cognitive science.

"Programs such as cognitive science build skills from multiple disciplines, and employers appreciate this," said Sarah Isham, director of career services for the College. The cognitive science major requires courses from neuroscience,

philosophy, computer science, psychology and linguistics to shape the study of one topic:

the human mind and how it processes knowledge. By drawing from multiple perspectives to study a single idea or question, cognitive science students engage in a holistic, problem-based education. Such skills go beyond the dogmatic exercises of traditional disciplines and teach students to be resourceful in approaching problems.

Some cite the narrowed approach of study as a criticism of interdisciplinary programs. Such thinking springs from the misguided idea that the subject matter of a major, rather than the skills it cultivates, must match to a potential job. Interdisciplinary majors build a variety of skills by exposing students to a varied curriculum. For example, cognitive

science and human biology courses equip students with the writing skills of a humanities major

and also the methodical, conceptual thinking of a biology major. When I mention interdisciplinary majors to friends, they often cite the double major as an obvious alternative. But besides the problem that double majors require more time and credits, they largely require students to make cross-disciplinary connections without the guidance or encouragement of faculty. An interdisciplinary major educates the mind in a way that a double major cannot. Interdisciplinary programs support creativity and guided flexibility between disciplines. In cognitive science, for example, undergraduates can explore connections between neurobi-

ology and philosophy by using cutting-edge neuroscience to inform our conceptions of what constitutes knowledge. Such approaches foster creativity and a mentality for approaching problems from a range of vantage points.

Interdisciplinary thinking flourishes outside universities in many fields, including public service, law and business. Linking academic disciplines not only strengthens the mind and provides a competitive edge in the job market; it also prepares students to engage with the complex problems of our time. The environmental issues we face, for example, cannot be solved without addressing our economic system. Reforming medicine requires addressing social problems such as poverty. Such issues inevitably take on political dimensions as well. Investing in interdisciplinary thinking anticipates the future of problem solving. So as you browse the recesses of virginia.edu, daydreaming about the different majors you might declare, consider going interdisciplinary.

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# Amplifying a disaster

American military intervention in Syria would lead to more harm than help

In light of the 10-year anniversary of the American invasion of Iraq, proponents of "humanitarian intervention" by the United States in the Syrian civil war should think long and hard before encouraging the U.S. to step in.

I do not wish to understate the horrors of the Syrian conflict or to prioritize one nation over

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another, but it is imperative that the U.S. does not intervene militarily in Syria. Though the U.S. government has, however impotently, called for Syrian president Bashar al-Assad to step down and has supplied trusted rebels with non-military aid (medical supplies, food, etc.), it has rightfully refused to supply arms or to conduct an intervention.

But some people are demanding that the U.S. take more direct action to stop the Syrian conflict, which now enters its third year with a death toll of more than 70,000. That number is staggering, but so too is the conflict's complexity. Because of the country's highly divided resistance groups, the deeply entrenched fears of sectarian violence among regime supporters, and international backing of the Assad regime, the idea that American intervention would bring a quick end to the conflict is grossly misinformed. Expanding the war through

intervention would not help the Syrian people. Instead, it would make the hostilities bloodier by further embittering the warring sides and making peace processes difficult. It would help Syrian citizens more for the U.S.

to merely continue to supply non-military aid. Sending in troops entails numerous difficulties and would not bring clear benefits.

One difficulty involved in military engagement is the question of how long American forces would stay in Syria after deployment. Those who argue for an intervention to end the conflict point to the NATO intervention in the Libyan uprising in 2011 as a model for intervention, as NATO forces left the country soon after Libyan rebels triumphed. The enforcement of a no-fly zone and the use of air power in Libya gave rebels a significant advantage in the conflict, but it also made the aftermath very difficult. The resulting power vacuum, fostered by the quick withdrawal of foreign troops after Muammar al-Gaddafi's assassination, has garnered fears of "warlordism," as well as concerns about the new government's stability. Even though American or NATO action in Syria would involve similar air strikes, missile launches, and other measures that do not involve troops on the

ground, such an intervention in Syria would be cataclysmic.

The uncertainty and social tension accompanying the formation of a new government in the wake of a clear-cut defeat of regime forces

— assuming such a defeat is feasible — could easily cause Syria's divided rebellious factions to turn to sectarian violence, as some already have. Moreover, countering this power vacuum by leaving forces to occupy Syria would inevitably lead to some degree of nation-building — providing foreign manpower to supervise the creation of a new government — a concept that has proved fruitless, as demonstrated by the American-led adventures in Iraq and Afghanistan.

I do not mean to say that the best answer to Syrian violence is to simply let the conflict fizzle out on its own. For one thing, that outcome is not certain. But an American military intervention is sure to create an international crisis. Upon American involvement, the Assad regime's ties to Iran, Russia and China could

bring the conflict to a staggering height, worsening the civil war instead of ending it. Continuing to provide basic necessities to Syrian civilians and rebel groups is a much more helpful alternative to this kind of multinational war.

Another trouble with U.S. intervention is the rebellious forces' disunited character. A growing number of rebellious groups are militant Islamist factions, some of which have links to Al-Qaeda. Fighting alongside these radical forces would clearly be against the United States' interest because doing so would involve supporting one of the nation's biggest enemies. Even if the U.S. chose to simply provide arms to non-radical rebels, there would be no way to ensure these arms did not find their way into the hands of potential terrorists. In addition, supplying deadlier weapons would cause an escalation in violence that would greatly expand the number of Syrian refugees fleeing to already-over-

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whelmed camps in Turkey and Jordan.

Most importantly, the U.S. must refrain from getting directly involved in Syria because the goal of the majority of the rebellious forces is to establish democracy in the country. For the Syrian people themselves to remove Assad from power that comes from the Syrian people would be highly valuable to implementing democratic ideals in the country. An American military mission in Syria, on the other hand, would make any resulting government seem to have international appeasement placed above national questions, delegitimizing it entirely.

Unless forces on either side in Syria make the despicable decision to use chemical weapons, a military answer to a military stalemate will only heighten death tolls and fan the flames within the Syrian nation, making a peaceful idea of ending the war even more deadly than beneficial. The American government should not revert to neutrality when it comes to Syria, but the U.S. must not use force to impose its will. Continuing to supply basic needs to civilians and trusted rebels will ultimately prove much more helpful and humanitarian than a violent military involvement.

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# NOTHING TO BRUSH OFF

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*St. Baldrick's annual event surpasses fundraising goal, raises more than \$85,000 to support childhood cancer research*

With bald crowns bobbing around Grounds, it's clear St. Baldrick's philanthropy intends to leave no head untouched.

Held at the Biltmore on Thursday, the annual fundraising effort brought 146 people together to shave their heads in support of childhood cancer research.

With the help of the national St. Baldrick's Foundation, members of the U.Va. St. Baldrick's CIO made good on their pledges to shave their heads in exchange for donations from family, friends and community members.

The organization raised \$85,872, excluding donations still being counted from the night of the event, surpassing the group's initial \$80,000 fundraising goal.

All of the money collected is donated to the St. Baldrick's Foundation, the largest childhood cancer research grant funder outside of the U.S. government.

"I was overwhelmed at the beginning of the event," said fourth-year College student Sydney Delmar, co-president of the University's chapter. "I actually started to cry a little watching the first shaving group go."

To many, St. Baldrick's appeal is its bold combination of emotional pull and dedicated fundraising for issue that often carries personal significance for participants.

Second-year Education student Jessie Mason, whose family's history with cancer prompted her to participate, met her fundraising goal of

\$1,000 more than a month before the event.

"It's a way to do something crazy, and I get to help other people while doing it," Mason said. "It's a good combination."

At the event, Mason was part of the first group of people to have their heads shaved.

"I think it was definitely a good decision," Mason said, as she ran her hand over her newly bald head.

Throughout the year, the University's St. Baldrick's group hosts bake sales and bar nights to raise funds and awareness around Grounds.

The national foundation provides significant support for the local group — designating an event coach to provide tips on running the event and providing supplies such as t-shirts, promotional material and barber capes.

But, the group is still principally responsible for organizing the event, including finding the location and recruiting barbers and volunteers.

Though this year Delmar focused on running the event — with the help of her co-president, fourth-year College student Arturo Esteve — she has been a participant in the event in the past, shaving her head during her second year.

"I shaved my head because I've had a lot of family friends [with] children with cancer," Delmar said. "It's a really

personal connection to the cause, [which has been] extremely worthwhile."

With their main event complete, the organization will next participate in a "Hoos Heal 5K," a race at the University Hospital to support pediatric oncology.

The group will also be sponsored by Sigma Pi fraternity's annual Surf and Turf philanthropy event to help raise money for next year's event.



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## Decisions that won't ever be made

### Breaking Barriers



VALERIE CLEMENS

One of the hardest parts of the transition to college from high school is our newfound responsibility to make decisions for ourselves. Granted, we had to make decisions in high school and in our adolescence, but the range of decisions was much more narrow — our lives were generally confined to a small realm within which it was hard to veer too far from the beaten path.

Along with many upperclassmen, I'm currently deciding what to do with my summer — actually, I may be riding the late bus on this one. Regardless, I'm stuck between two options, and I feel like I have hit a stalemate. I don't know how I'm going to decide, and the uncertainty of my summer plans is making me anxious. Nobody likes an anxious Val.

How do we as individuals make these decisions that ultimately define who we are and how we live? How do we learn to cope with our new responsibilities as adults?

Sometimes I feel unequipped to handle the decisions thrown at me. I didn't really know how to choose what college to go to or where to study abroad — and now I certainly don't know which internship opportunity to seize, if either at all.

I look around at my peers and find comfort — even those who thought they knew exactly where they wanted to be or made very informed decisions after intense research are often in my same position.

My gut guides my decisions — so I have learned to accept that my life will probably not

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## 28 blocks

Last summer, I spent a lot of time walking. At the close of each business day, I would set off on my journey home, bypass the smelly, tourist-ridden Times Square subway stop and head straight down Broadway. Every day, I would walk the 28 blocks back to my Union Square apartment. Eventually, I knew that 28-block stretch like the back of my hand.

Yet what struck me most about my daily walk home — more so than any passionate protester or the jaywalking pedestrians who seemed to treat life like a game of Frogger — was that not once did I run into a single person I knew. Not a single person. I was never alone, but sometimes it sure felt lonely.

Moving to New York City this summer reminded me of how I felt as a first-year just moving onto Grounds. Since nothing ever happens the way you imagine it in your head, I

tried to prepare for my move to college — and New York — by over-packing and over-compensating when someone asked if I was excited to be going on this great new adventure.

"I am so, so, so excited," I would respond, channeling the enthusiasm of Dr. Seuss' "Oh, The Places You'll Go." In reality, I was anxious about leaving the comfort of familiarity and afraid what came next wouldn't be much better than what I was leaving behind.

Still, there was certainly an immense power and excitement in all the possibility that lay ahead. I could reinvent myself. I could explore new places. I could meet new friends and do things I'd never done before.

Part of that of possibility slipped away as my friends and I settled into our majors, clubs and sports teams around Grounds. Instead of wondering, "What if I tried something new?" like we did as first-years, we are now wondering, "What if I had majored in something different?"

"What if I had gotten involved in that organization?"

"What if I had spent more time in Alderman?"

We're wondering if we're on the right path, comparing ourselves to those around us who appear more put-together and further ahead.

It's human nature to wonder "what if," especially in a time of transition. But it's also important to remember we are only

22, and there is immense possibility waiting to be explored in the "real world."

Sometimes we forget how young we are. This is partially because being 18 feels like a lifetime ago — when we were younger we thought 22 was just so old. We thought we would have everything figured out by then. We would finally be the big fish in the small pond.

But the real world is not a pond — it's an ocean. It's vast and overwhelming and there's always something new to explore. We are not stuck on a path we set for ourselves at 22. We can change. We can go back to school or move to a new city, decide we hate it, and move to another city. We can always go home, quit that boring job and write that novel we always thought we would publish. We have not peaked at

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### Urban Legends



KATIE URBAN

## Circle around

Mr. Jefferson designed our University around a circle of sorts. The Rotunda, a half-scale model of the Roman Pantheon, stands as a series of oval rooms within a greater sphere. In the center of the spherical roof, an oculus allows beams of natural light to brighten a dome room. Jefferson hated corners — he would probably roll over in his grave if he knew the focus of Charlottesville is none other than "the Corner" itself.

Jefferson's buildings mean so much more than whitewashed columns and brick facades. His dome room represents radical Enlightenment philosophy, and his Lawn shapes the University into an Academical Village. Considering the significance of architecture, then, what do circles mean beyond their shape?

This wasn't Jefferson's intention, but to me our University's architecture and social interactions center on the same foundation: circles.

Sure, "social circles" have probably been a concept since the first cave men broke into factions based on coarseness

and ubiquity of chest hair, but the intriguing — and worrying — aspect of our University's circles is how just contrived they are. Of course, 14,000 undergraduates cannot all live within one realm of one University. Every type of community needs to be broken into smaller, more compatible parts. Yet I have to ask — does every community revolve around circles as emphatically as ours does?

Student self-governance can be truly beautiful. The hustle and bustle of the activities fair, elaborate chalking designs, palimpsests of posters covering every inch of every bulletin board — these things are a part of who we are. They manifest the spirit of involvement that defines this University, and I wouldn't have it any other way — except for tabling. I unabashedly hate tabling.

But this otherwise beautiful collective mentality of ambition can at times act like a funnel, plunging the same sorts of people deeper and deeper into the inner circles. Although secret societies certainly pop into mind as the most inner of all "inner circles," even more visible circles — from scholarships to professor connections to Lawn rooms — can be subject to the same cycles that make the student experience here so hit or miss.

It's true, technically anyone can get involved in the likes of the Honor Committee, Greek life or Student Council — just like anyone can apply to the Lawn or be nominated for the Good Guy Room. And it's true that these organizations only represent a few of the well-known — and not necessarily most respected — circles, and do not even begin to encapsulate the student experience. It's

shallow to think of our school in terms of only these organizations, and we have indeed made progress in celebrating and espousing diversity.

What worries me, though, is we will likely continue to perpetuate this cycle because we rely so heavily on student self-governance. When selection committees rely solely on burned-out students who have to read piles of applications, we undoubtedly will fall back on existing circles. When scholarships seek individuals of a certain archetype, we only deepen the divide between those in the circle and those outside it.

Here, if you are in one circle, there's always the pressure to push yourself deeper into an evermore exclusive in-group. What really lies inside, though, and where do you go from there? If we keep walking in this same spiral, moving along only in the hopes of moving in, we are bound to get dizzy.

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# Clemens | Fate provides answers for some choices

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be a stream of well-articulated, rational choices. I'm just going to live my life and hope that what's supposed to happen does happen. How else do you know what to

choose?

I learned at a young age that there's something inside me which guides me toward a greater good. I may not know why I am making a decision, or what that guiding force is, but I find comfort

knowing things will end up all right.

I don't make decisions — fate makes them for me. But even fate has its limitations. When I think again about how I need to decide on my summer plans by the end

of the week, I realize fate won't make that choice for me. I find myself in a circular, never-ending see-saw between going with my instincts and making calculated choices. It's a limbo I never feel comfortable with and which will

also prevent me from deciding when I should end this column — so I'll just do it now.

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# Urban | Fourth-year recognizes commencement's fitting name

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22. If we don't believe the best is yet to come, what's the point? Yet the "what if" persists. Come May, we will no longer be surrounded by 14,591 people close to our own age. People whom we've known forever. People we don't even really know, but had a class with first year or Facebook stalked one time. People who are on the exact same journey as us.

That's why I was so excited to come back to Charlottesville after a summer of walking 28 blocks alone in Manhattan. The 14th Street I walked on there was filled with people on different paths. The 14th street I walk on here is filled with friends, shouts of "we should get lunch" and memories of the times we stumbled home after a party with friends.

Part of the reason we hold on to good things so tightly is

because we fear something so great won't happen twice. I'm not walking around saying, "I don't want to graduate," because I'll miss writing papers and stressing out when I pick the letter C on a scantron four times in a row. No, I'm walking around saying, "I don't want to graduate," because then I'll have to leave this small bubble that makes me so happy.

During spring break, I went back to New York City and

walked those 28 blocks again. Unsurprisingly, I did not run into a single person I knew. What was surprising was that in the nine months since I last walked down Broadway the stores, billboards and the people had changed. It did not stop moving forward because I was gone.

Similarly, this University thrived long before I was accepted, and will continue to do so long after May 19, 2013.

That's what makes it so great. I suppose whoever called it "commencement" was onto something. Even if I want to hate the thought of graduating, I know that — like the city and this school — I have to move forward into a new beginning.

But, like I said — we can always go home.

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