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Charlottesville police responded Sunday evening to calls from shoppers and store managers saying a 22-year-old man had entered a local store carrying a semiautomatic weapon.



Armed man enters Kroger Charlottesville resident brings loaded weapon

to local food store, will not face criminal charges

By Alia Sharif

Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The 22-year-old man who entered a Charlottesville Kroger carrying a loaded semi-automatic rifle Sunday evening will not face criminal charges, said Charlottesville police Lieut. Ronnie Roberts Monday.

Police were dispatched around 5 p.m. after receiving several phone calls about the incident, Roberts said. Observers saw the unidentified man walk unarmed into the store, located at the intersection of Hydraulic Road and Emmet Street. He then returned to his

car before briefly re-entering the store with an AR-15 rifle. Police questioned the man, but said they are unable to publicly release his name. The man was not arrested, police said, because he legally owned the rifle and he was carrying the gun in plain sight, in accordance with Virginia law.

"From an operational standpoint it was inappropriate to bring a weapon into the store," Roberts said. "It alarmed so many people."

Police are unable to say with certainty why the individual

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Va. Senate passes LGBTQ measure

Chamber passes workplace non-discrimination bill protecting sexual orientation, gender identity 24-16

> **By Emily Hutt** Cavalier Daily News Editor

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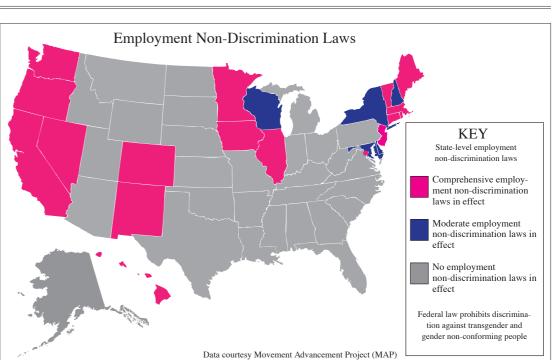
The Virginia Senate approved legislation Friday to protect lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer state employees from workplace discrimination by a vote of 24-16. The bill will now move forward to the House of Delegates.

The legislation, Senate Bill 701, was introduced last October by Sen. Donald McEachin, D-Henrico, and

Sen. Adam Ebbin, D-Alexandria. The bill extends workplace nondiscrimination policies to include protections for sexual orientation and gender identity. It also defines sexual orientation as "a person's actual or perceived heterosexuality, bisexuality, homosexuality, or gender identity or expression."

Ebbin, the first openly gay member of the Virginia General

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Panel discusses King's influence

MLK's rhetoric, iconic works impact music, history, philosophy's development, leave lasting legacy



Dillon Harding | Cavalier Daily

A panel, made up of University professors, aimed to explore Martin Luther King's impact on artistic endeavours.

> By Erik Payne Cavalier Daily Senior Writer

Scholars, faculty and artists gathered Monday for a symposium in the Harrison Institute Auditorium to reflect on the politics and artistic influence of Rev.

Martin Luther King, Jr.
The event, entitled "Creative Maladjustment: Martin Luther King and the Poetics and Politics

of Freedom," was part of a celebration of the 50th anniversary of three of King's iconic works, including his "I Have a Dream" speech. University professors from the music, history and African-American studies departments made up a panel examining the influence of King's word and his contributions to music,

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Virginia to host Oregon

Sept. 7 game replaces Penn State road clash, grants team eight home contests

By Fritz Metzinger Cavalier Daily Sports Editor

After a flurry of reports that Virginia was supplanting Penn State with Oregon on its 2013 football schedule, the school confirmed late Monday afternoon that it will indeed host the formidable Ducks Sep. 7. The Cavaliers were previously slated to visit Penn State Sep.

As part of the home-and-home agreement jointly announced by the schools Monday, Virginia will travel to Autzen Stadium in Eugene, Ore. during the 2016 season.

"We initiated a conversation with Oregon about a potential game in 2017 in Europe," said Jon Oliver, Virginia executive associate athletics director. "As the conversation progressed it became clear we might have an opportunity to initiate a series in 2013 starting in Charlottes-ville," he said. "We saw that as a great opportunity for our

program and our fans.' Because of the scheduling change, the Cavaliers will now play eight home games, including all four non-conference contests, for the first time in

program history.

"The chance to add Oregon presents us with the unique opportunity to have eight home games in a single season," Oliver said. "Kicking off the season against [Brigham Young University] on Aug. 31 and playing Oregon on Sept. 7 will be a challenge, but one that Coach London has been on board with

since the very beginning." The Orlando Sentinel first

reported Friday that Penn State had agreed to host Central Florida in lieu of Virginia Sept. 14. Multiple media outlets eventually followed suit, with David Teel of The Daily Progress eventually writing that the Cavaliers were adding Oregon to an already-daunting schedule.

Widely admired for their

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Jenna Truong | Cavalier Daily

Expecting a rematch of their thrilling 17-16 win against Penn State last fall, the Cavaliers will instead welcome offensive juggernaut Oregon to Scott Stadium.

Andrew Noh | Cavalier Daily

Freshman Justin Anderson turns the corner on a Florida State defender earlier this season. Anderson is averaging 11.7 points in his last three games.

Cavs hope to stifle NC State

Victory against No. 19 Wolfpack would vault squad to conference second place

By Peter Nance Cavalier Daily Senior Writer

Following a weekend win against Boston College, the Virginia men's basketball team plays host to No. 19 NC State Tuesday evening. Both teams enter into the game in the top three of the ACC standings, and the winner will gain sole possession of second place behind Miami.

The Cavaliers (14-5, 4-2 ACC) carry a three-game winning streak into their matchup with the Wolfpack (16-4, 5-2 ACC). The run started with a 56-36 domination of Florida State on Jan. 19 and continued Thursday with a 74-58 win at Virginia Tech. Virginia prevailed Saturday, despite trailing 26-24 at the half, by coming out of halftime with a renewed focus on its post offense. The team shot 77.3 percent from the floor after the break, the highest shooting percentage in a half since shooting 78.3 percent against Georgia Tech in 1984.

"The first half we got off to a good start, but they really stepped it up going into halftime," senior point guardJontel Evans said. "In the second half, we were the

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NEWS

U.Va. Wise student arrested

Overcast skies, with southerly

winds around 5 to 10 mph

The University's College at Wise sophomore Bryant Hairston was arrested Monday on a federal criminal complaint charge after he allegedly lied about sighting an armed man on campus. Hairston was charged with one count of "knowingly making false, fictitious and fraudulent statements and representations" last Wednesday, according to an Associated Press

release. The 20-year-old's call to the police, in which he provided details on the alleged gunman's clothing and location, led University officials to place the campus on lock-down for more than an hour while a search was conducted.

The complaint charge leading to yesterday's arrest stated Hairston "later admitted to lying about the information given

to 911." FBI as well as state, county, city and campus police are investigating the case, and U.S. Attorney Randy Ramseyer will prosecute.

"We were notified very quickly [during the incident,] said Elivia Wimmer, a U.Va. Wise junior. "Campus police and our community police did a very good job.'

—compiled by Audrey Waldrop

LGBTQ Bill moves to state House

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Assembly in state history, said he was enthusiastic about the prospects of the bill.

"We're going to press forward with this momentum," Ebbin said in a press release from Equality Virginia, an LGBTQ advocacy group. "No state employee should ever doubt Virginia's commitment to equal opportunity employment for all."

McEachin said he believed popular support would push the bill through the legislature. "SB701 is about fairness, and all Virginians deserve equal opportunity, justice and fairness," he said in the press release. "The people must continue to lead the legislature and remind the House that Virginia is an open state and welcoming to all folks as we move this bill ahead."

The bill received support from 46 additional co-patrons in both the Virginia House and Senate.

Senate Democratic Caucus spokesperson Joshua Karp said he saw the approval of the bill as a bipartisan victory. "Every time we're able to forge a bipartisan coalition and make progress for LGBT rights is a victory in itself," he said.

Previous attempts to push through legislation prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation have been unsuccessful. The Virginia Senate passed a nearly identical bill in February 2011, but the bill died in the House General Laws subcommittee.

Karp said he hopes this time will be different. "I think Virginians by and large agree that nobody should be discriminated against for any reason," he said. "I certainly hope that the House delegates pass it."

Members of the University Queer Student Union commended the Virginia Senate for passing the bill. Fourth-year College student Wo Chan, QSU vice president, said it was a step in the right direction.

"I think Virginia definitely needs a bill like this," Chan said. "I think every state needs a bill like this.'

Opponents of the bill were unavailable for comment when contacted.

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Kroger | Gun alarms customers, managers

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Overcast skies and a 60 percent

chance of precipitation

brought the gun into the store, though they suspect it was likely a demonstration of his Second Amendment rights.

The store manager said although no laws were broken, the man was still banned from the property, which Charlottesville authorities say is within the legal authority of the man-

Kroger Mid-Atlantic, the regional division for the national grocery retailer, released a brief statement shortly after the incident emphasizing their commitment to store security. "The safety of our customers and our associates is always first and foremost as we run our business,"

Kroger spokesperson Carl York said in an email.

The store policy is to comply with state and local laws and to treat each incident individually, York said. "In this case, it was alarming and frightening to our customers and associates," he said. "Several of our customers dialed 9-1-1 and our store team's reaction was reasonable and understood.'

Philip VanCleave, president of the Virginia Citizen's Defense League, a grassroots pro-gun organizaion, said the man's behavior was unusual but did not present any real danger. "He clearly was not out to harm anyone," VanCleave said. "I think he was trying to get people to realize that we have certain rights."

MLK | Activist inspires '60s, '70s, '80s generation

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the humanities and social sci-

The name of the symposium,

"Creative Maladjustment," drew its origins from statements made by King himself, History Prof. Claudrena Harold said. "There are some things in our society and some things in our world for which I am proud to be maladjusted," she said.

The event kicked off with a segment entitled "The Cry That Will Be Heard: The Black Freedom Struggle, American Democracy, and the Aesthetic Imagination."

Panelists provided evidence linking King's ideas, teachings and general oratory style to major African-American cultural figures of the 1960s, '70s, and '80s.

English Prof. Marlon Ross spoke about the similarities between King and the author James Baldwin.

Both men, Ross said, understood the power of the spoken as powerfully as the sword," he said. Ross attributed the speaking skill of Baldwin and King to their similar upbringings — both were sons of preachers and grew up to become preachers themselves.

Music Prof. Scott Deveaux drew comparisons between the themes of the works of King and Stevie Wonder. "A lot of [Wonder's] best work is essentially political in nature," Deveaux said, adding that both Wonder and King are seen as black political leaders who use folkways to make their points.

History Prof. John Mason concluded the panel by comparing King to photographer, writer and film director Gordon Parks.

Parks isn't someone normally included in the list of civil rights heros, Mason said, but his photography for Life Magazine provided white America a window into "black America."

"His job at Life allowed him to reach millions of people every



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—Thomas Jefferson

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Call it a comeback

The Cavalier Daily explains its restructuring plan

twice a week starting in August as part of our shift to a digital-first newsroom. Some media outlets heralded our announcement as a tragedy. The University's own UVA Today — which went online-only in 2007 — wished us luck in our transformation while "lamenting the newspa-

per's demise."

The eulogizing is premature. If The Cavalier Daily is on the brink of demise, we're the last to arrive at our own funeral. Our newspaper is not falling, or failing, this fall. Nor will it undergo a name change — we will still feature daily stories online and in an electronic newsletter. But it is dropping a new look. A revamped newsmagazine with in-depth features and informative graphics will be yours to enjoy every Monday and Thursday starting in August.

To say finances played no part in our decision would be disingenuous. Print publishing's economic landscape has quickly widening fault lines. No publication, ours included, can sidestep the cracks in the foundation. But while our rebrand will save us an estimated \$40,000 a year, depending on how many pages we print in each issue, it will also save us from staleness. The rhythms of a daily paper can be consuming. Online coverage is more fast-paced and more flexible. We no longer need to cover stories that aren't truly newsworthy just to fill a page. By the same token, we no longer need to cut newsworthy stories because of our print product's space limitations.

Last year when we cut printing to four times a week some complained The Cavalier Daily was no longer a real daily. Since then, we've strengthened our digital infrastructure. Some of our online-only content, including breaking-news

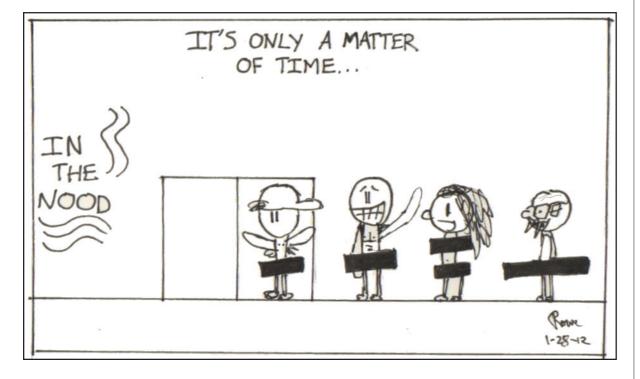
Friday we shared our plans to cut printing to coverage of Hurricane Sandy, ranks among the strongest we published last term.

This year, some might accuse us of blindly following a media trend. It's true that we're not the first collegiate daily to scale back its print operations. Top-notch student newspapers such as The Red & Black at the University of Georgia and the Emerald at the University of Oregon are also reworking their online efforts.

Our decision to rebrand, however, arose out of faithfulness, not faddishness. We wanted to meet readers where they were, and many of them — some 62,000 unique visitors in the month of November, for example — were meeting us online. Refashioning may be fashionable in newspaper world, but we think our new incarnation come August will help readers better connect with our content. Those hungry for news are becoming more likely to open their laptops or pull out their phones rather than forage for a print paper. Through mobile and tablet apps and multimedia reporting, we plan to redirect some of our efforts from print to digital in accordance with the needs of our readers.

Though our newsroom will be geared toward the many digital opportunities this age of journalism has to offer, we want to emphasize we won't be abandoning print entirely. Like many of you, we retain a fondness for the print medium: our ink-smeared fingers have creased and folded many Cavalier Daily pages since we arrived on Grounds. In addition to the different types of online coverage we plan to offer in the fall, we hope you'll enjoy our reader-friendly semiweekly newsmagazine. The redesigned print edition, by the way, won't fit in our current newsstands. Our vision is too big — or maybe it's just our pages.

Editorial Cartoon by Stephen Rowe



Rush hour

The Inter-Fraternity Council was right to ban hard liquor from rush events

THE UNIVERSITY of Virginia may currently reign as Playboy's number-one party school, but perhaps we have taken our title too seriously. An overwhelming

amount of alcohol related incidents

OPINION COLUMNIST last week led to numerous hospitalizations. In light of these incidents the Inter-Fraternity Council has put restrictions on alcohol distribution and

MEREDITH BERGER

has banned "hard liquor." Last week more than 10 students were hospitalized for alcohol-related reasons. At least one had a blood alcohol content of .45 — nearly six times the

legal limit. Because of these hospitalizations the IFC stepped in to ban all hard liquor from fraternity houses and fraternity rush events. Another IFC-imposed change is that at least six sober brothers are required at all events to make sure nothing gets out of hand. Also, Boys' Bid Day parties will now end at 2 a.m., which is a huge change from last year. Finally, the IFC

Because of the recent hospitalizations of University students these safety measures taken by the IFC and the Inter-Sorority Council seem necessary. But they do not ensure safety. By banning hard liquor intoxication levels will presumably be lower and the risk of hospitalization will decrease. But

made it clear that if these rules

are violated, fraternity rush is

over.

banning hard liquor may have unintentional adverse effects, such as intense pre-gaming by students who want their buzz to last throughout the night. Know-

ing that there will be no hard liquor at the parties, people might drink a lot of

hard liquor in a short amount of time to get drunk beforehand. This extreme consumption of hard liquor is what the IFC is trying to avoid with the ban, but they may inadvertently be creating an even worse problem.

To combat the potential pregaming problem, the ISC sent out an email Jan. 25 asking sorority members to not bring hard liquor to fraternity parties and rush events and also to not show up already drunk to fraternity events. The ISC also held a two-hour drug and alcohol lecture for all new members Sunday morning to help the IFC in its goal to make the rush process safer.

Some speculate that if more alcohol-related incidents occur, the Greek system may shut down altogether: a threat apparently made by University deans. That is why it is important that the ISC and the IFC work together to prevent unsafe behavior and to save rush.

It is also important that students cooperate with the IFC's new regulations and do not violate them. Losing the Greek system would be very unfortunate for the University community, as it is an essential part of student life.

Also, getting rid of the Greek system is the equivalent of eliminating the one controlled aspect of the University's social life and putting it more into the average students' hands. Although problems have arisen during the past week, Greek life controls much of the University's social scene, and with the Greek system comes a control over the partying that the University would not have otherwise. There is the safety of the houses, the rules of the fraternities and the ability to monitor the partying instead of having students roaming drunk publicly and putting themselves in potentially dangerous situations.

Though those dangerous situations still arise, and have arisen in the past week, the presence of a Greek system helps diminish such risky behavior.

The IFC's ban of hard liquor is a step in the right direction and hopefully will not lead to increased pre-gaming by students. If students participating in rush events comply with these rules and if there are no violations, then rush can continue and the Greek system, an integral part of the University community, can remain.

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We can't handle the truth

The Pentagon's lift of the female combat ban is admirable but entails inherent problems

AST WEEK, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta ■ announced that the Pentagon would be lifting its ban on women serving

in combat. This announcement has been met with mixed reactions -

some are all for it, and others see it as a potentially dangerous decision. So who is right? Should women be on the front lines?

Women have served courageously in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Around 150 women have died during these operations, and more than 800 have been wounded. Women have proved themselves to be brave and strong and capable, and they are certainly deserving of taking the next step, supporters say. Furthermore, women deserve to be treated as men's equals on the battlefield something the Pentagon's previous policy would not permit.

As much as I admire this move, I have my share of reservations. Though these brave women deserve our respect and admiration, and though they are justly entitled to equal treatment, there are purely physical reasons why allowing women into combat roles may not be a good choice — for military members of both sexes.

Women in the military face easier physical SAM NOVACK standards than their male coun-**OPINION COLUMNIST** terparts. Men are

expected to run faster, do more pushups and so on. But for combat roles, the new policy will require gender-neutral performance, and rightly so. Unfortunately, many women will be unable to meet these standards, so the change in policy is unlikely to affect their place in combat. In spite of this fact, there are a good number of women who will be able to pass the gender-neutral stan-

In an ideal world, the debate would stop here. Maybe the actual makeup of combat groups will not change much because of physical barriers that may prevent many women from serving in combat, but the policy shift nonetheless eliminates an inherently unequal restriction. Sadly, we do not live in an ideal world. Problems that may hinder the successful implementation of women in combat roles need to be openly discussed.

As awful and deplorable as it ering the additional difficulties is, women in the military face unequal treatment in other

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ways than the recently lifted ban on combat service. For one, servicewomen face sexual assault rates double those of civilian women. According to the Huffing-

ton Post, servicewomen were nearly 180 times more likely to have become a victim of military sexual assault in the past year than to have died while deployed during the last 11 years of combat in Iraq and Afghanistan.

This state of affairs is a sorry one, and the Department of Defense is working to ameliorate the problem, but it is by no means corrected. In a combat group, on the move, without facilities and without the same extent of oversight one would find on a base, the odds of such unwanted advances might increase. Recognizing the reality of this problem and considcombat circumstances would create complicates the question

> of women in combat. Thus it is still possible that the inclusion of women, however qualified, would have a negative impact on the function of combat units, for reasons beyond

the female soldiers' control. Some opponents will also argue that women will be distracting or that men in combat situations would feel obligated to go out of their way to help their female counterparts instead of other males. This 'damsel in distress' kind of mentality is irksome to many proponents of the policy change. and a similar argument against the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell proved fruitless. Given the number of heterosexual males in the military, however, it is at least worth considering how the average man would feel in the midst of combat, and if that could hamper effectiveness

women serving on the front lines? Is it fair to say their inclusion may cause men to act in ways they otherwise would not? Certainly not. But they are roadblocks all the same, and issues that need to be confronted. The removal of the ban on women serving in combat is fair and just, and I have no doubt that the women in our armed forces deserve this equal treatment and would contribute at least as much as their male counterparts given the opportunity. All

and mission accomplishment.

Are these fair roadblocks for

the same, the decision should not be made solely because it feels right on an equal-rights level — rather, the goal of this decision should be to improve the overall effectiveness of our military and the way it executes its missions. With problems such as sexual assault still prevalent, the road ahead has more obstacles to be cleared than this decision — however merited — would make

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Disabled by circumstance

Children with learning disabilities ought to be provided the education they deserve

■ ARLIER this month, Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell spoke **⊿** at Goochland Middle School about the importance of expanding educational

KIRA DEMARTINO

GUEST VIEWPOINT

opportunities for students across the commonwealth. He proposed a number

of changes designed to empower parents and educators, including more informative school report cards, fewer administrative hurdles, and changes to the state's teacher certification legislation that would pave the way for alternative certification programs like Teach For America to come to Virginia. I was encouraged to hear the governor address the importance of giving every child an excellent education because it is one of the most pressing issues facing our generation and one that we all have the power to influence.

When I was a fourth year at the University of Virginia in 2009, I would never have imagined that in just a few months "pretend play" and "make-a-letter yoga" would be among my top priorities. But such priorities are key aspects of my day now that I am teaching preschool and pre-K special education at Powell Elementary School in Washington, D.C. I joined Teach For America

to ensure that every student, not just the ones growing up in affluent communities, has access to the excellent education that all kids deserve.

Now I have the privilege of providing special education instruction

in four amazing classrooms of three- and four-year-olds at the outset of their educational journey. Most of the students with whom I work have developmental delays and disabilities, live in poverty and are entering school for the first time. Their relationships with their homeroom teacher and with me form the foundation for their future success in school and beyond. If I am able to help build their confidence, nurture a love of learning and develop the skills they'll need to be active learners, they will set out on a path to realize their full potential.

For children who share my students' background, the challenges of poverty mean that they start their academic careers already behind their peers in wealthier communities. These economic disparities cut across racial lines: half of the achievement gap between white and African-American children in

12th grade is present before kindergarten. If allowed to persist, that disparity develops into

lower high school graduation rates, lower rates of college attainment and limited career and life options. However, research shows that

children who attend high-quality pre-K programs are more likely to achieve academically, earn more and avoid involvement with the criminal justice system later in life. With the right support from families, community members and dedicated educators, we can give children in low-income communities the chance to fight educational inequity before it takes hold.

This is the most meaningful work I can imagine because of students like Ariel. I met Ariel and his mother at a home visit before the start of school. When I asked his mother if she had any concerns about Ariel entering pre-K, she began to cry. She explained that Ariel had been

kicked out of his past school because he was hitting and kicking teachers and students. She

worried that he would be expelled for violent behavior again. If he could not be successful in the American school system, she would have to send him back to his grand-

mother in Peru. I assured her that the teachers at Powell Elementary would love her son, give him the support he needs to be successful and never give up on him. Despite a difficult transition to school, within six weeks, Ariel had learned appropriate ways to deal with his emotions. Thus with individualized support, regular breaks and one-on-one time with teachers, Ariel not only showed his kind, loving personality (he is the best hugger) but also began to excel academically. Ariel is now one of the highest achievers in the class and consistently surprises those around him with his memory and advanced reading comprehension skills.

Pre-K is a critical time for learning, one during which teachers have an especially meaningful opportunity to put their students on the path to a lifetime filled with positive options. Research shows that more than 85 percent of the brain develops before the age of five. To this end, I see my students, including Ariel, learning and growing every minute of every day.

Since I know that we can close the opportunity gap for our youngest learners, I simply cannot walk away from this work. Like many of my fellow Teach For America corps members and alumni, my experience will be a lifelong commitment to educational excellence and equity. It is more urgent than ever that we give all children, regardless of family income, an education that allows them to reach their full potential. As you think about what role you want to play after graduation, I hope you will consider joining me in these efforts.

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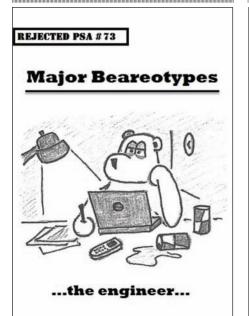
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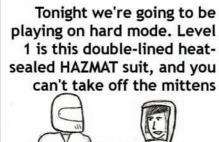
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This is not AT ALL what I meant when I said I like a challenge..



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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're in new territory. The people you assumed would know more than you do are actually ignorant on the subject. Rely on no one. This part of the journey must be experienced solo.

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YOU KNOW, I THINK I'D APPRECIATE THE PEACE AND QUIET A LOT MORE IF HE

HADN'T JUST TRAPPED ME IN

Employ your good manners and kind heart to do so. Stick to innocuous and breezy subjects and extricate yourself as soon as possible. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You may be angry

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's true there is much to learn by donating your work to others. Finding the right "others" is key. Ask for more responsibility only in the areas that fascinate you to the highest degree.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your destiny is woven into the destiny of others. When you change yours, theirs changes. too. It's something to consider now that a significant decision hangs in the balance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A central relationship in your life continues to keep the cogs in your mind twirling. There must be a solution for harmonic living with this person even though discord has been the norm of late. Tolerance is the key.

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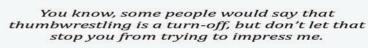
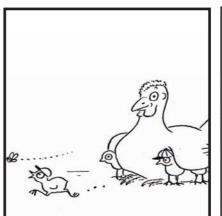




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Matmen tame Wolfpack 32-7

Spisak, Salopek inspire teammates, lead home rout after recovering from serious injuries

By Matthew Wurzburger Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The No. 11 Virginia wrestling team steamrolled NC State en route to a 32-7 win Sunday, thrilling a near-capacity Memorial Gymnasium crowd.

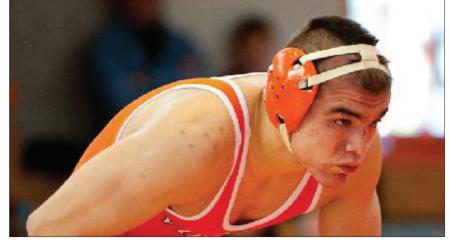
Virginia (12-3, 3-1 ACC) was able to defeat the Wolfpack (3-3, 0-2 ACC) despite the absences of redshirt senior Jedd Moore and redshirt junior Jon Fausey, who were both nursing minor injuries. Both are expected to return for next week's match at Maryland.

Redshirt sophomore Joe Spisak, returning to the starting lineup after struggling with injury, sparked the crowd with his first period pin of NC State freshman Tyler Hunt at 141 pounds.

"There is a lot of time and emotion put into this," Spisak said. "Whenever you can go out there and get the six for your team it's always an exciting feeling.'

After redshirt sophomore Nick Sulzer defeated NC State junior Nijel Jones by major decision at the 165 pound level, Wolfpack freshman Patrick Davis vanquished fellow freshman Dusty Floyd to pull NC State within

But redshirt junior Stephen Doty and redshirt senior Mike Salopek — who, like Spisak, soon returned to the lineup after an injury — followed with



Redshirt junior Stephen Doty soundly defeated his NC State opponent Sunday, triumphing 16-0 to earn a technical fall victory in the 184-pound fight.

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consecutive technical falls in the 184 and 197 pound fights to bury the Wolfpack for good.

In the 157-pound division, redshirt freshman Blaise Butler performed valiantly while filling in for a banged-up Moore. His clash with junior Matt Nereim, an NCAA qualifier from last season, was tight throughout before a last second takedown gave Nereim an 8-7 victory.

Redshirt senior Matt Snyder and freshman George DiCamillo staked the Cavaliers to a 6-0 lead at the 125- and 133-pound levels before Spisak's pin. The 149pound redshirt senior Derek Valenti and heavyweight redshirt sophomore Derek Papagianopoulos scored a pair of decisions to round out the scoring for Virginia.

Spisak and Salopek recovered at an opportune time for coach Steve Garland and Virginia. With tournament time swiftly approaching, their presence could swing the balance of conference power to Virginia.

"I told my guys after the match, boys — we're finally healthy," Garland said. "We can walk into Maryland [Friday] ready to go with our full crew."

As Virginia enters its second week ranked No. 11, no longer able to gather motivation from its long-held underdog status, the team still appears to be adapting to its new role.

"It's funny to be the hunted for a change," Garland said. "So far I think our guys have responded very well to that challenge."

Tune out the noise

SEAN MCGOEY

It has begun. Sunday evening, the Baltimore Ravens and San Francisco 49ers will take the field in New Orleans for Super Bowl XLVII, looking to claim king-of-thegridiron status until Septem-

And with the Super Bowl, naturally, comes a veritable deluge of media coverage.

I hail from New Orleans, and when I talked to my parents during the weekend, they told me about how the French Quarter, the city's most iconic neighborhood, has been overrun not only by tourists and fans in town for the game, but also by the various media outlets covering the contest as well. CBS coopted a parking lot here, ESPN constructed their sets in a park there, and so on and so forth.

Radio. Print. Television. Everyone who's anyone in media is in New Orleans for the Super Bowl. A friend even recently sent me pictures of Mike Golic and Mike Greenberg broadcasting from Jackson Square. It's pretty much impossible to avoid.

Which makes it crazy that I'm going to try to do just that.

Let me explain. Those who know me well know I am a raving sports fanatic. ESPN and Deadspin are two of my obligatory morning website visits. During the European soccer transfer window, I refresh ESPN's "On the Move" blog almost obsessively to see if my favorite team, Liverpool, is making any moves. Grantland is my homepage, and I've read Bill Simmons' basketball book three times. My conversational skills are somewhat stunted, but put me in a room with someone who wants to talk sports and we'll shoot the breeze for an hour or two, no problem. You get the idea - my passion for sports borders on unhealthy.

But I've been reading Nate Silver's book "The Signal and the Noise" lately. Though its message of trying to filter out the irrelevant information to get to the important bits is intended primarily to guide people who are making statistical predictions, the concept of "signal" and "noise" applies so perfectly to this very situation.

As heretical or hypocritical as it may sound for a sportswriter to say, I'm going cold turkey on Super Bowl pregame coverage — unless I get a specific tip from somebody about a truly

relevant breaking story. I'm not taking ESPN out of the morning interweb routine; it will still come between email and Facebook on the list of sites to visit as I eat a bowl of cereal at 8:15 in my still-dark room. But I'll stick to the NBA or college basketball sections for now, thank you very much. No SportsCenter for me, either

 can't risk getting inundated with so much worthless information that I'll want to rip my

You see, no matter what ESPN might tell you, whichever cereal Colin Kaepernick has for breakfast tomorrow will have no impact on the game whatsoever – unless, of course, he puts spoiled milk on that cereal and gets severe food poisoning. It's just noise. Ray Lewis' latest press conference in which he "humbly" says that the Ravens are destined to win? Noise.

And for the love of all that is good in this world, spare me every mention of "Harbowl,"
"Super Baugh," or any other clever bon mot that mashes "Harbaugh" and "Super Bowl" together. In case you've missed any second of ESPN for the last week, there have been roughly one billion such references and they ultimately just amount to even more worthless noise.

It's not news I need to know; for that matter, it's not really

even "news" if you define that term with any strictness. So I'm going to avoid it. And you know what? I honestly believe that my enjoyment of the game will be better because of it. Rather than getting to Sunday weary of all of the over-the-top coverage of every minute aspect of Super Bowl week, just wishing for it all to be over, I get to spend this week psyching myself up for what should be an outstanding football game.

For the first time since the Saints faced my fellow Isidore Newman alum Peyton Manning three years ago, I'm really looking forward to Super Bowl Sunday. I'm going to cook an unholy amount of delicious food, then eat that food with my friends while we watch the game — the "signal." And I'm going to do all of that while taking in as little pregame media "noise" as humanly possible.

And there's nothing CBS or ESPN or anyone else can do about it.

Football | London: Ducks pose 'tremendous' challenge

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high-octane, speed-oriented spread offense, the Ducks compiled a 46-7 record under coach Chip Kelly and reached a BCS bowl game in all four of his years, including a narrow 22-19 defeat to Auburn in the 2011 BCS National Championship. Though

Kelly has bolted the program to head the NFL's Philadelphia Eagles, new head coach and former offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich will likely retain the spread offensive schemes that have helped facilitate Oregon's startling transformation into one of college football's elite programs.

With the Aug. 31 showdown records. The Cavaliers went against Brigham Young preceding the Oregon clash, the Cavaliers will endure an arduous out-of-conference schedule for the second straight year. In 2012, Virginia faced Penn State, Texas Christian University and Louisiana Tech, three teams who finished with winning

1-2 in those games, only edging Penn State 17-16.

Still, head coach Mike London believes the steep competition will galvanize his squad to improve upon this year's 4-8 record.

"We want our players to be able to compete against great

teams," London said. "Bringing BYU and Oregon to Scott Stadium to start the season will be a tremendous challenge, but one our team is preparing for now and is very excited to take on.

Oliver also said that Virginia would be open to working with Penn State in the near future to reschedule the game.

Basketball | Freshmen stars help ignite surging Cavaliers

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tougher team on both ends of the floor ... We were really physical and disciplined with them."

Maintaining intensity will be vital for the Cavaliers when they square off against a very talented NC State squad. Averaging an ACC-best 79.8 points per game, the Wolfpack utilizes a high-powered offense that scores early and often. Junior forward C.J. Leslie spearheads the NC State attack, averaging 15.4 points and 7.0 rebounds per game. Virginia fans likely have some bad memories of Leslie, as he was

responsible for 19 of NC State's 67 points and set a career-high with 14 rebounds when the Wolfpack defeated the Cavaliers 67-64 in the quarterfinals of last year's ACC Tournament.

To make matters worse for Virginia, Tuesday's contest marks the third game in five days. With so little time between games, the players are hard-pressed to both rest up and prepare for their next opponent. The fact that the Wolfpack represents the staunchest opponent of the three only further weighs on the weary

"It's always a little bit of a

struggle but [we've] got to block that out when game time comes around and just play," sophomore guard Paul Jesperson said. "We got to do what we've been doing all season and that's play great defense and work for our offensive shot."

Fortunately for the Cavaliers, the freshman trio of guard Justin Anderson and forwards Evan Nolte and Mike Tobey has stepped up significantly in recent games. Anderson, along with junior forward Akil Mitchell, led the team in scoring 16 points against Boston College, and Nolte tallied a team- and career-high 18

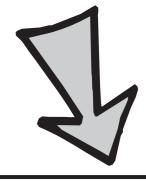
points, including five 3-pointers, at Virginia Tech. Their energy and surprising maturity have powered the team through tough stretches multiple times already this year, impressing Coach Tony Bennett as well as their team-

"We talk so much to our young guys about being sound, being disciplined, take what the defense gives you," Bennett said. "Same thing on the other end. In the last couple of games, and in practice, you're seeing improvements."

The home court could provide another advantage for Virginia. The environment at John Paul Jones Arena has sparked the Cavaliers to some great performances and a sterling 12-1 record at home, with their only loss in Charlottesville coming in the season's first week.

"The home fans, the Wahoo nation, I appreciate them they're like the sixth man out there," Evans said. "They're energy, they get us going even when we're in our slumps, they rise to their feet and give us a standing ovation to keep us going so we can battle and try to get a win."

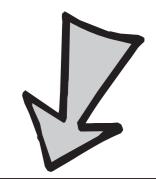
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Edible Blue Ridge Magazine brings city farmers' market style festival; students, community members enjoy artisan breads, goats milk cheeses

Love Jonson Cavalier Daily Staff Writer

Edible Blue Ridge Magazine brought students and Charlottesville residents

free cupcakes and the chance to purchase fresh foods from local vendors last Tuesday at the Artisan Food Fair and Cupcake Walk. The festival, which was part of the magazine's efforts to promote the growing local food movement in central Virginia, successfully drew University students downtown to feast swipe-

The fair took place in the Herman Key, Jr. Center

just a few steps from the Downtown Mall and highlighted the foodstuffs of purveyors from Charlottesville and the surrounding area. Among the featured foods w e r e goat's

milk cheeses from Caromont Farm, house-roasted coffee from Shenandoah Joe, Twin Oaks Tofu and a bubbly fermented sweet tea called Nugget's Raw Kombucha.

Reminiscent of a miniature Charlottesville City Market, the event supplied that same farmer's market feel within a much-needed shelter to fend off the biting cold. Free samples abounded, with offerings of

free trolley. "It's nice to get some food that you can't get on Grounds, especially since I'm on a meal plan," she

Storeide said she counts

herself lucky for scoring a purchase from the artisan bread makers at Lorraine Bakery, the Lynchburgbased store run by Petra Hackman. A veteran of Charlottesville City Market, Hackman brought her line of pastries and home-made bread dough for which her bakery is famous.

The main event, how-

ever, amid the vast arrangement of tables loaded with locally-made jams, cheeses, spreads and

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hummus and chunks of freshlybaked whole grain loaves gracing the tabletops. Despite the frigid temperatures,

the food fair attracted Charlottesville community members and University students alike.

maple granola, roasted red pepper

First-year College student Heather Storeide relished the opportunity to escape Grounds and explore the area after only a short trip on the

Learning to speak Greek

Hoos on First

JULIA HOROWITZ

By Julia Horowitz Cavalier Daily Life Editor

write about. I can feel myself slowly becoming Cady Heron from "Mean Girls" except instead of constantly wordvomiting about how if Regina George cut off her hair she'd look like a British man, I can't shut up about how I don't need to cut off all my hair because my new sisters

introduced me to "hot curlers" and it's going to change my entire frizzy life. And, like Cady, I can feel people getting bored with me, but I keep going. It's bad.

I know the Greek community only makes up a third of the student body, and that contrary to popular belief bid week will not set the tone for the rest of my life. But, let me tell you, as a "baby," it does not feel that way. Sisterhood is forever, right?

In the past week, I've been really wish I could think infantilized. I may have thought of something non-Greek to I'd become an adult, but no,

when stripped of all the wisdom I've gathered in my last 18 years, Greek life unapologetically thrusts me back to a period of pre-teen enthu-

siasm. It's fun to sit back and let my entire life bé planned out for me. Though it should be noted "pledge t h e mommies" don't

pencil in nap time like they would for a real baby. And I hope real babies aren't incessantly told how "hot" they

But as I watch the majority of my friends speak Greek with a well-practiced air of noncha-

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A Different Kind of "B-Word"

By Anne-Marie Albracht Cavalier Daily Life Columnist

ometimes when I sit down to write a column, I have so much to say that the words just flow onto the page as smooth as butter. More often, I stare at a blank document for an hour, slowly work my way through an entire can of sour cream and onion Pringles, and proceed to stare at the page for another hour while contemplating whether or not I need to declare a state of emergency

and pull out the Cheetos. But this time I have everything to say and just no way to say it. Last weekend I was beyond blessed to be able to visit and tour St. Jude's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. And when I say "blessed" I mean it — I don't throw the "b-word"

around lightly. I knew that it would be an emotionally draining weekend, so I started thinking about my column well in advance, for once attempting not to procrastinate. I threw around ideas about how to avoid the flu epidemic, stay off the treadmill

and still get fit, etc. Not only are those absolutely awful ideas especially since I was unable to avoid the flu myself — but they didn't feel at all right, so

How to Hoo



ANN-MARIE ALBRACHT

I resigned myself to cranking out a column no matter how drained I was when I returned from Tennessee. But once I got to Memphis, I knew I had to write about St. Jude, even if pulling out the words killed

Where to even begin...

The statistics themselves are impressive. No child ever has to pay — for anything — despite the \$1.8 million it costs each day to run the place. St. Jude brought the survival rate for the most common form of childhood cancer, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, from 4 percent to 94 percent. They also make all medication in-house on one of their six football-field-sized research floors to best suit each individual patient's needs.

Still, the best part of St. Jude is not the numbers, but the people. I met a hospital chef who bought live goats and brought in a team of Indian cuisine specialists so he could make one of his patient's favorite meals. I met physical therapists who chase their patients around the hospital, setting up spies to make sure they're not overusing their wheelchairs and ensure they are getting stronger for their surgeries. And, of course, I met fighters and survivors.

Now, I don't want you to misunderstand. This is not a "how to" article in any traditional sense. I don't think the secret to happiness lies in visiting St.

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Homeward Bound, Bound to Home

By Simone Egwu Cavalier Daily Life Columnist

ike many of us, I was so ready to leave my hometown when I graduated high school. I couldn't wait to go somewhere where nobody knew me and take the opportunity to start over completely. I would be an entirely new person in Charlottesville, I told myself. I would wear new clothes, make new friends, find the new me whatever it was that people did

And to be fair, some of those

things did happen — I'm no longer rocking those bootleg jeans from first year, thankfully. But more than finding new trends and styles, I'd like to think my biggest changes have been on a deeper, spiritual level.

My hometown, when I left it, felt empty. I thought I had discovered all of the secrets my little Maryland town had to offer. I knew when the cookies at the Safeway bakery would be fresh, I knew the not-so-secret coffee shop that everyone went to but wanted to pretend no one else knew about. I knew which thrift store had the

At the End of the Day



SIMONE EGWU

best selections and on which days to go. I knew home, and I was ready to escape.

When I went to college, brighteved and bushy-tailed, I found new hole-in-the-wall restaurants and secret coffee shops. I thought I had life figured out. Maryland was not where it was at — Charlottesville was.

But as wonderful an escape as Charlottesville has been for me,

going back home has become more an exercise in change than a chance to reminisce about who I was first year. I always expected the place I

came from to stay the same, like a memorial to the teenager I once

was. But the next summer, when

I returned to Maryland for more than a few days, the change it had gone through almost overwhelmed me. My "secret" coffee shop closed, probably because it stopped making money when my entire senior class left town. Safeway's bakery no longer made cookies. And the Goodwill intake rotation had changed, meaning when I went thrifting on my usual day there were no treasures to be found — only heartbreak and muumuus.

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baked goods, lay a classic cake walk. Children and adults purchased tickets for their chance to

win a box of SweetHaus vanilla, chocolate or pistachio cupcakes in a game akin to musical chairs. SweetHaus co-owner Billy Koenig has recently seen a boom in visits by U.Va. students to his store on West Main Street, which offers a selection of coffee, couches, Wi-Fi and a variety of cupcakes. "The combination of sugar and caffeine is enough to keep you studying," Koenig said. Though the Artisan Food Fair and Cupcake Walk has passed, opportunities for students to connect with Charlottesville food vendors resume in April, when the Charlottesville City Market starts up again each Saturday morning

Horowitz | Google helps rushee survive small talk, banalities

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lance, I cannot help but think back to last semester. Though we pretended to know what we were talking about, it was all a pretense. We knew we were all outsiders who were Brittany Murphy-level clueless.

Honestly, I don't even deserve to flatter myself with a comparison to the late, great starlet. Last semester, a homeless man told me I should be a member of the "Alpha Sigma Sigma" sorority, and I spent an embarrassing amount of time trying to figure out whether these ASS girls were top tier and exactly how they worked that complex moniker into a personalized gang sign. I swear on all my future fanny packs this isn't even me trying to be cute; it happened. So let's be honest—do I really have the right to talk about formal pledging and Boys Bid Night? Probably not.

But that's the fun thing about being a baby pledge — your

sisters love you unconditionally. All the terrible, organized madness that is recruitment gets pushed to the wayside, and you find out that this time, as you tell people where you're from and what your prospective major is, they're actually listening. It doesn't feel like small talk anymore, and for this I am lucky.

A short scroll back in my iPhone search history shows Google searches for "how to survive small talk" and "does

white lying mean your soul is black."

I got few conclusive answers, so I decided it was okay I told one girl I was from Nova Scotia instead of NOVA. Honestly, it had been just such a long day, and no one is ever amused by "NOVA". Even though they laugh and joke about thinking everyone is Villanova transfers, I promise that behind those perfect smiles, they're hating you. It's the I'm-starving-and-forced-to-watch-you-eat-choc-

olate-covered-pretzels-duringhouse-tours kind of hating you, and it stings.

So please, future sisters, I beg you not think I bamboozled you. I really just wanted you toza like me. I hope we can still be friends. Actually, I think we have to be, because you have to come pick me up at dorms in an hour. Xoxo!

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Albracht | Philanthropic trip lends much-needed perspective

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Jude. There's a more important message here.

I'm the first to admit that college is an easy place to get lost. No one wants to say it because we're all supposed to be having the most fabulous, carefree time of our lives, but it's true. It is easy

to lose your sense of purpose or fulfillment, your grip on the outside world. For as happy as I am here, I get lost all the time.

There is no one answer for a "how to find yourself" column. I simply wanted to add my little piece of commentary to the puzzle.

After this weekend, I think

there is no better way to find some part of yourself than to give part of yourself up. Get out there and give up one hour of your week to a philanthropic organization that makes you feel like you're part of something bigger. Give some of your time to get something back — not another line to add to your

resume, but something intangible and meaningful.

After the stressful tornado of estrogen that is sorority rush, my weekend jaunt put me back in touch with what's important in my life. I won't always have this perspective so fresh in my mind, but I am better and more in touch with myself because of

it. Choose whatever speaks to you and run with it. You never know where it will take you — to Memphis or, better yet, right back to yourself.

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Egwu | Hometown welcomes shopping centers, significant changes

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In the four years since I left home, my hometown has added two gigantic shopping centers. It has its own Target. It is officially on the map, and the change seemed to happen overnight.

It used to be my entertainment options were to pick my nose in my room or drive an hour to window shop at an upscale mall.

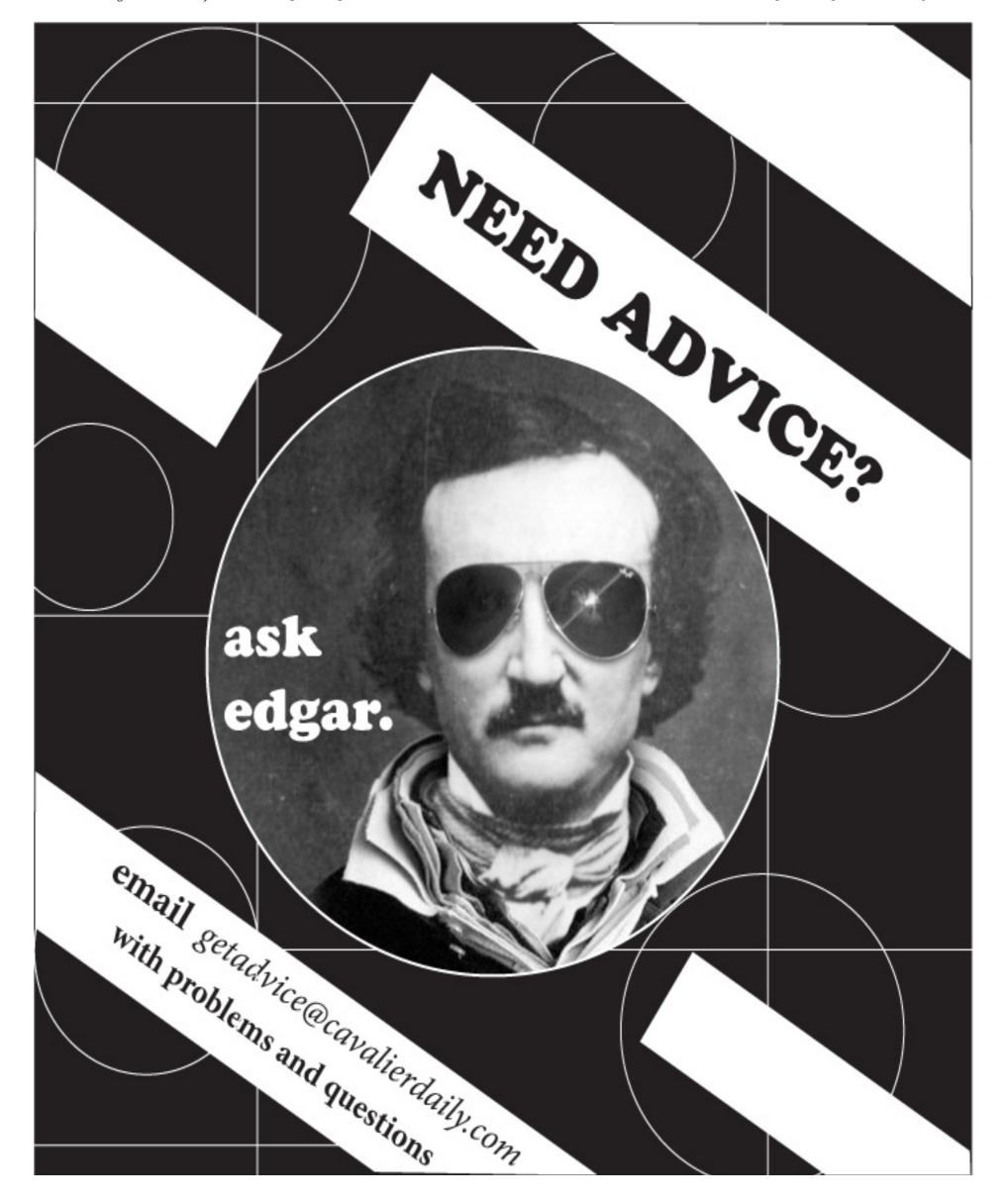
But now there is a multiplex, and the drive from the convenience store that used to take two minutes takes closer to 15.

It broke my heart a little at first, to realize that time was not in fact

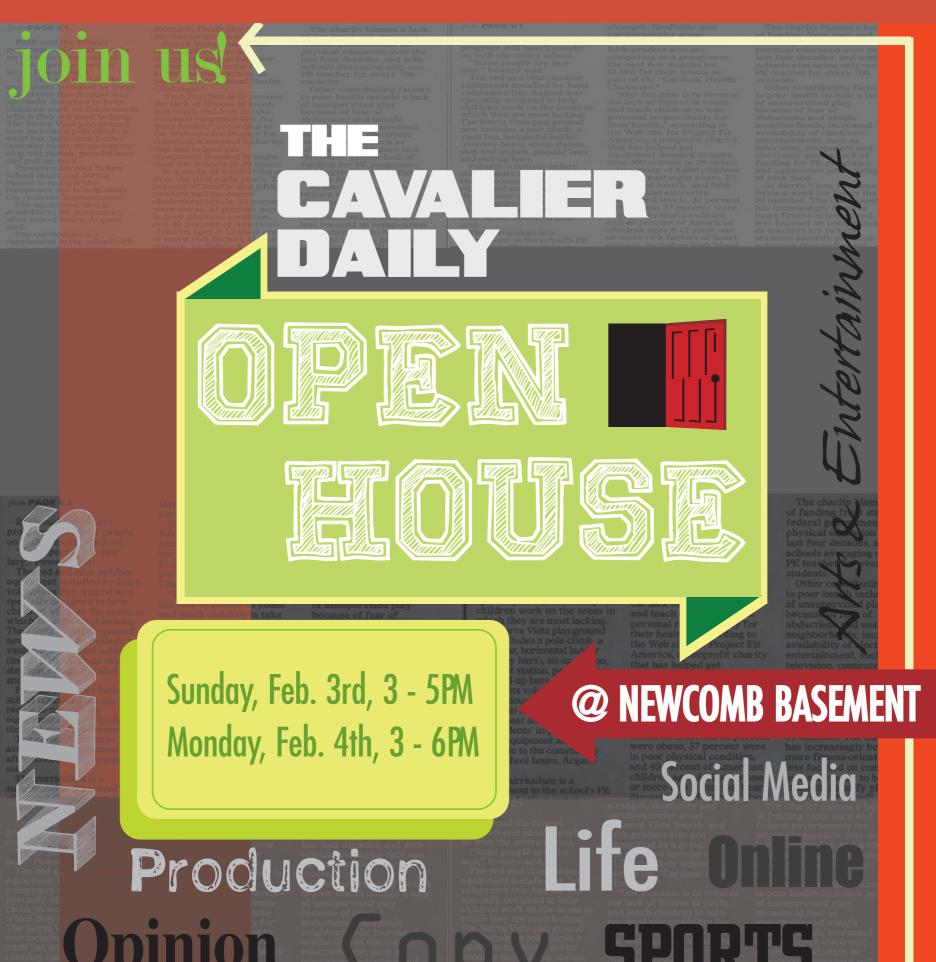
standing still. I wasn't the only one affected by change. Just as I could grow and reinvent myself, so could the places and the people I had left behind. As ridiculous as it sounds, it was a little humbling.

Time isn't going to stop, and I should stop expecting it to.

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