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A brief guide to University elections

BATTEN

The Batten Undergraduate Council, though only started last spring, has garnered increased attention from the student body this year. In a sea of uncontested races for council leadership positions, third-year Batten students Stephanie Hough and Bryan Kardos are both seeking election to lead the organization next year.

While Kardos looks to continue the work of the current Council president, Hough hopes to focus on the Undergraduate Mentor Program, which pairs an incoming third-year with a resident fourth-year for guidance in the two year program.

Hough hopes to lead the

Council in forming a solid identity and assist the still-young Batten School in doing so as well. A current member of the Batten Undergraduate Council Internal Committee, Hough participates in Naval ROTC as a squad leader.

"I think that ROTC really helps me to have a direct role in leadership that not many other students have the opportunity to have at U.Va.," Hough said. "As far as student leadership the most important thing I have learned is peer-to-peer leader-

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ENGINEERING VP

Second-years Colin Baker and Michael Bunting are both seeking election to the position of Engineering Council Vice President. The winning candidate will lead the nine standing committees, five representative bodies and executive board which make up the Engineering Council.

Baker previously served as First Year Representative and Second Year Representative for the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Baker said he hopes to expand E-week, a weeklong celebration of engineering each year, and Random Acts of E-stud, a program promoting random acts of kind-

ness around Grounds.

"First and foremost, I like giving back," Baker said. "The easiest way to give back is to cause change, and the easiest way to cause change is to be in a student leadership position."

Baker said he hopes to encourage involvement in not only University events, but events involving the National Association of Engineering Student Councils, a group for which he is the Virginia delegate. Baker said he plans to run for Vice-President of the na-

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UNCONTESTED

Elections for Commerce Council President, Nursing Council President, College Council President and Architecture Council President will all be uncontested as students log online to vote this Monday through Thursday.

Third-year Commerce student Allie Griswold is running unopposed for Commerce School Council President. She has said her decision to run rested largely on her desire to improve the Commerce School student experience.

"We have so many amazing aspects of our community — the traditions, dedicated professors and a beautiful building we spend more time in than we ever wanted to," Griswold said. "I care about our community, and I will work hard to help make the McIntire experience incredible for years to come."

Griswold said she hopes to promote

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FOURTH YEAR VP

The Fourth-Year Trustees vice president race features College students Kieran Dhaliwal and Blake Griggs.

Griggs, the current vice president of Third-Year Class Council, is hoping to keep his position. Dhaliwal, meanwhile, has been a part of Council since her first year and attributes most of her proudest undergraduate accomplishments to Council.

Both candidates said the Rotunda construction will be a major point of interest and concern for their class in the upcoming year.

"I'd rather eat my left foot than have us graduate not on the Lawn," Dhaliwal said.

Both Dhaliwal and Griggs hope to be able to reach out to more of the class through better communication and taking into consideration the students' ideas and concerns. This, they both said, will

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THIRD YEAR VP

Current second-year class president Andrew Kwon and fellow second-year Jack Vallar, both College students, will compete to become third-year class president in this week's student elections.

Kwon said his experience as class council president for the past two years has developed his vision for a stronger, more cohesive Class of 2016.

"[I] want to continue unifying the class, continue running class council [and] continue to serve the class," Kwon said.

Vallar served Student Council as chair of the Entertainment Committee during his first year, and currently serves as chair of the Social Committee. Vallar hopes to improve attendance at class council events in the coming academic year.

"[Low attendance can be] attributed to lack of investment on the class as a whole," Vallar said.

Kwon said he hopes to continue his fo-

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Honor tops spending charts

Candidates present wide-ranging spending amounts, according to Board of Elections

Sarah Hainbach
Staff Writer

Candidates for the upcoming Honor Committee elections have reported a wide range of spending patterns for their campaigns — though most said spending was not critical to their campaign nor to election outcomes.

The interim expenditures report released by the University Board of Elections shows candidates for Honor Representatives of the College are the highest spenders. The 27-member Honor Committee includes two representatives from each school except for the College, which has five representatives.

Third-year Nick Hine, one of eight College students running for Honor, spent the highest amount of all candidates. Hine said he spent \$183.85 because he had posters printed commercially instead of using the Student Activities Center in Newcomb.

"I don't think I've necessarily done more than other candidates,"

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ship."

Kardos, also a current member of Batten Undergraduate Council's Internal Committee, served as the

co-chair of the first-ever Ad-Hoc Batten Family Weekend Event.

"Since entering the Batten school, I have found a place to call home," Kardos said. "The school is growing at an exponential rate and it is imperative that the organization

mimics this behavior."

Kardos said he hopes to emphasize the leadership component of the Batten program, and plans to encourage students to be passionate and proactive in the new term of Batten council leadership.

"As part of the beauty of a developing organization, each one of us has the ability and the will to propel the extent of this program to new heights," Kardos said. "That, of course, is very exciting."

-compiled by Savannah Borders

ENGINEER | Baker, Bunting hope to improve Engineering Council committees

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tional organization at their national conference this year.

This expansion would increase

networking with companies and possibly attract employees to speak about their research on Grounds.

Bunting, a current member of the Marketing and Advertising Committee, said he worked closely

with the current vice president in the last year and sees running for the position as the next logical step.

Bunting has also worked on E-week as a member of the Marketing Committee.

Bunting helped to run the Darden Court Board Project, which worked to create standards for the boards located in Thornton Hall, which engineering clubs update with information about events. He

reached 100 percent participation by creating a model Student Council board as an example and worked with the Engineering Council's Executive Board on the program.

-compiled by Savannah Borders

UNCONTESTED | Commerce, Nursing, College to have uncontested races

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Commerce School organizations' activities and events, "deepen" the alumni network and improve the coffee station on the third floor.

"I hope to involve the different organizations with the Comm School more in the day-to-day experiences of the community," Gris-

wold said. "I want to add more amenities to the building like charging stations for cell phones and a more substantial coffee station on the third floor by the Keurig, offering cups, sugar and creamer to students throughout the year."

Second-year College student Daria Winsky chose to run for College Council President in order to improve unity within the College.

"I hope to increase College

transparency, unify the College student body [and] foster faculty-student interactions," Winsky said. "I want to improve relations and interactions between Student Council and College Council, as well as bridge the gap between administration and students."

Third-year Architecture student Courtney Keehan, who has been involved in Architecture Council for three years, is running for Ar-

chitecture School Council President to help build a community within the school.

"This past semester, our council began a mentoring program between first- and second-year Architecture students call Sarc-Sibs," Keehan said. "I hope to strengthen this program next year and begin to think about new ways to help incoming students with the daunting transition into

studio culture."

Third-year Nursing School student Marta Moore hopes to continue the work she began on Nursing Student Council this year.

"I am also interested in continuing to fundraise for NSC and raising awareness about our endowment fund and other resources the Nursing School provides," Moore said.

-compiled by Sarah Pritchett

2015 | Griggs, Dhaliwal face fourth-year voters, seek Trustees leadership role

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help maximize the enjoyment of

their fourth year.

Additionally, both candidates addressed the need to recruit enthusiastic members of

the Fourth-Year Trustees — not only students of the University, but as members of the Class of 2015.

Griggs said Trustees "have to be able to represent a part of the school," citing problems and conflicts a lack of diversity on

Trustees could entail.

-compiled by Rachel Goretsky

CLASS OF 2016 | Incoming third-year students to choose Kwon, Vallar

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cus on promoting class unity, pointing to his experience planning the second-year dinner series, in which 200 students and 50 faculty talked

in small groups over a catered meal as part of that effort this past year.

"[I hope to] continue to innovate and grow as a class [and] learn from past two years," Kwon said. "[We] don't have to reinvent the wheel [and] can continue to learn

and grow together as a class."

Vallar said his experience planning the second-year "Welcome Back Dinner" this year inspired new ideas for poolside hangouts or class golf events. He said he believes a diverse class council can help

make such events a success and provide ideas for future events.

"[Class council] should be representative of the class as a whole," Vallar said. Vallar said the underrepresentation of certain groups, such as international students, pre-

vented the class council from planning excellent events.

Students may vote between this Monday and Thursday at uvavote.com.

-compiled by Katie Grimesey and Rachel Goretsky

MONEY | 'I just made the mistake of going to Kinkos,' Hine says

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Hine said. "I just made the mistake of going to Kinkos."

Third-year College student Calvin McPhail-Snyder spent the second-highest amount. The bulk of his expenditures covered the graphics design for his flyers and Facebook event.

"A friend of mine just got design stuff," McPhail-Snyder said. "I think the expense was worth it."

Hine said he did not intend to spend more than the other candidates. He said the election should be based on a candidate's merits and experiences, not on how much he or she spends.

"Overspending isn't in the spirit of Honor [Committee] campaigning," Hine said. "No one really wants to be in the position where they have outspent everyone."

Several candidates used campaign spending to reach out to students. Third-year College student

Henley Hopkinson said he wants his posters to encourage people to look him up.

"I know a lot of people," Hopkinson said. "[But] as big as U.Va. is, by no means do I even know the majority."

All the candidates interviewed used their own money. Some were conscious of the expense.

Third-year College student Nick Lee said he tries to be frugal.

"I find the best deals, and check on my posters every day," Lee said.

He re-tapes his posters if they are falling down.

Lee said campaign expenditures might put some students at a disadvantage.

Second-year college student Martese Johnson, another Honor Committee candidate, agreed.

"Some students might have less money than others," Johnson said. "There's a bit of a hierarchy in the student body."

Other candidates, however, said spending on flyers and chalk does

not make a huge difference in election turnout or outcome.

"The only way to get someone interested is personal connection," McPhail-Snyder said. He said candidates' time is more valuable than their money.

Hopkinson said he is sometimes uncomfortable campaigning. His pet peeve is shameless self-promotion.

"So I try to tone it down, even though it can be a factor in U.Va life, especially in leadership positions," Hopkinson said.

Board of Visitors appoints Gould student member

Third-year College student says all-grant AccessUVa funding should be restored long-term

Joseph Liss
News Editor

Meg Gould as its student member Saturday. Gould will replace fourth-year College student Blake Blaze when his term ends June 1.

Gould said she hopes to bring the priorities of both larger and smaller student groups around Grounds to the attention of the Board.

"I want communication to be as broad as possible and as personal as possible," she said. "[I am] really trying to bring those voices [of smaller student groups] to the Board room." Gould also said the Board should prioritize AccessUVa, the University's financial aid program, and should consider ways to bring back full-grant aid for the long term, an offer-

ing the Board voted to remove from aid packages to low-income students at its meeting in August. The philanthropic efforts around AccessUVa should continue as well, she said. "I understand that these large institutional decisions require ... financial constraints," Gould said. "I do think it is the role of the student member to provide a voice to the students who might see those priorities differently."

More broadly, Gould said, the Board should internally encourage the new advising model, and externally leverage the global internships program and other initiatives to bolster the University's global competitiveness. Encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration as a part of the strategic plan would benefit the University, Gould said.

Gould said she will continue

her campaign for Honor Committee College Representative, but said she is unlikely to seek one of the four



Courtesy Meg Gould

vice-chair positions if elected. Gould currently serves as senior counselor

for the Committee.

"I really care a lot about the Honor System," Gould said. "I still believe I could serve as a valuable representative of the college."

Gould has served on class council and co-edited EngageUVA, a newsletter advertising public service opportunities through the University. She is currently studying abroad in France and worked as a waitress at The Virginian last semester.

"I saw this role as a way to give back to all of those different organizations," Gould said. "I was encouraged to apply by a few different people."

The application process involved three rounds. Students first completed a written application. Then selected applicants interviewed with a group of student leaders, which

included Honor Committee Chair Evan Behrle, Judiciary Committee Chair David Ensey and students in both the Darden School and Batten School.

In the third round, the Executive Committee of the Board interviewed three finalists. Pat Lampkin, the vice president for student affairs, and Blaze were involved in both the second and third round interviews.

Gould said she thought the application process gave an opportunity for both student leaders and board members to get to know candidates and how they could best serve the Board.

"I think there needs to be more publicity about the position," Gould said. "I know there wasn't as large an applicant pool as there is for other big positions."

BOV discusses graduate school tuition, dinning plan cost

Body approves masters of data sciences; hears Jefferson Scholars Foundation, UVIMCO updates

Leopold Spohngellert
Senior Associate Editor

The Board of Visitors met last week to discuss future plans and approve major initiatives affecting the University community. Tuition hikes, new degrees and salary equity were among several items considered.

Finance

The Finance Committee approved rate increases for housing, tuition and dining for the 2014-15 school year.

All graduate schools will increase tuition, but the Darden School and the Law School will reduce the tuition gap between in-state and out-of-state students from \$5,000 to \$3,000. The Board increased tuition and fees 8 percent for Virginians and 3.7 percent for non-Virginians.

"This is important to us as a means for providing funds to needy students," Darden School Dean Robert Bruner said. "All of this is going back to help students."

Tuition increases for undergraduate students and the College at Wise will be discussed at the April Board meeting.

The cost of dining plans will increase by an average of four percent in order to meet rising food prices, along with other personnel and operating expenses.

Richard Kovatch, the associate vice president for business operations, said overall student satisfaction with dining services was at 5.7 out of a possible 7, according to a student satisfaction survey conducted last fall.

"This is trending upward, obvi-

ously our goal is to get as close to 7 as we can," he said.

With new dining plans offered, about 500 more students signed up for dining plans this year. The University ultimate access meal plan is \$393 more expensive than top plans at other Virginia universities, but Kovatch said he believes those plans do not compare to what is offered at the University.

Faculty housing rates will increase by an average of 2.7 percent.

"State policy requires that rents charged by the University for faculty and staff housing reflect the market rate for similarly sized properties," Kovatch said of the change.

Kovatch said the average faculty stay in a University-owned property is 2.6 years, with 30 to 40 percent turnover on any given year.

The Finance Committee also heard Larry Kochard, the chief executive officer of the University of Virginia's Investment Management Company, give a presentation at the meeting on the University's endowment. Investment returns exceeded expectations both in the short term and the long term, Kochard said. Though the University outperformed several of its peer institutions, Kochard cautioned against taking these comparisons too seriously.

"There are times when we are going to do well relative to our peers and there are times when we are not going to do well relative to our peers," he said.

Though the Board was pleased with the report, members took time to discuss the future and the likely chance that returns will not always exceed expectations.

Education

The Educational Policy Committee began with presentations by the Jefferson Scholars Foundation, the Global Internship Program and Rhodes Scholarship recipient Charlie Tyson, a fourth-year College student.

Jefferson Scholars Foundation President Jimmy Wright began the committee's proceedings with a presentation about the Foundation's history, followed by a discussion of the organization's current state of affairs and recent accomplishments. Wright highlighted the presence of Jefferson Scholars on Grounds and applauded the efforts of alumni to stay involved.

"Over 90 percent of our alumni have contributed financially or through service to the University," he said.

Several current Jefferson Scholars took part in a question and answer session with topics ranging from why they chose to attend to the University to their most fulfilling activities on Grounds. At the end of the discussion, a couple of students took voiced suggestions to improve the University.

"I think there should be more merit scholarships at the University," first-year College William Henagan said. "I've met a dozen kids who are equally if not more qualified than I am."

Second-year College Marisa Reddy said that the University should invest more into the Computer Science department, noting widespread student interest in the subject.

Director of Global Internships Majida Bargach spoke about the University's new global internship initiative, which aims to help students find opportunities to work abroad. She opened her speech by citing a survey



Marshall Brantlin | The Cavalier Daily

The Board of Visitors, above, heard from University President Teresa Sullivan, above center, about the University's efforts to follow accreditation standards, including those related to student test scores.

that showed that internships and employment during college topped a list of attributes in terms of their importance to employers when evaluating graduates for hire.

Since the initiative began, alumni have served as an essential source of internships abroad, Bargach said. She also emphasized the importance of third-party providers, including non-profit organizations, in securing internships abroad.

"This is very useful when we have countries where the visa is very difficult to obtain," she said.

Numerous students have expressed a desire to work abroad, Bargach said. Following her speech, two undergraduate students spoke about their experiences working abroad. Fourth-year engineering student Emily Evans spoke about how her

work as a researcher in Uganda changed her life.

"Overall it was a completely transformative experience for me," she said. "I think I really realized the commonalities between people."

Charlie Tyson concluded the presentations by discussing the Rhodes Scholarship application process, recently modified rules for Rhodes essays and how the University could best prepare applicants. Tyson attributed his success to his professors, multiple opportunities to contribute as a scholar, the University's tradition of self-governance and the inspiration provided by previous University Rhodes recipients.

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University sees higher alumni giving totals

Corporate fund raising lags peer averages, foundation giving exceeds many similar schools, Sweeney says

Meg Gardner
Associate Editor

The Advancements and Communications Committee of the Board of Visitors met Thursday afternoon to discuss the University's fundraising results for the past fiscal year. Alumni giving, corporate giving, foundation giving and friend giving were all addressed, and the University ranked very high among public institutions in most of these categories.

Such fundraising efforts have had an especially significant impact on the University in light of the recently completed capital campaign, an ex-

tensive fundraising project to raise money for a large swath of University programs. Fundraising from alumni giving alone helped complete 40 percent of the \$3 billion campaign goal. University spokesperson McGregor McCance said campaign gifts had a lasting impact on the University.

"Beyond the obvious outcomes — like the South Lawn or Robertson Hall or the John Paul Jones Arena — the campaign and gifts from alumni created over 500 endowed scholarships, 67 endowed professorships, 97 endowed fellowships, and over 400 other endowments," McCance said in an email. "These are scattered across the University's schools and units and

their impact is far-reaching. The impact of endowed gifts will be seen for generations to come."

On the whole, contributions to higher education institutions have increased nationwide — in 2013, nationwide fundraising for universities reached a new high of \$33.8 billion. The University comes close to the top 10 fundraising institutions in the country, but ultimately falls about \$200 million dollars short.

The top 10, including Stanford, Harvard and the University of Southern California, together raised a 17.3 percent of the total \$33.8 billion. Compared to other Virginia state schools, however, the University easily claims the top fundraising institution spot.

Bob Sweeney, the University vice president of advancement and communications, said the 2013 fiscal year was better than it appears on paper.

"When you look at these huge-sized schools, for example Penn State, the only way you can benchmark it in an effective way is to look [at] it per student or per alumni," Sweeney said. "When we go by a cash-flow per

student basis, we're ranked only number two to UCLA among the public schools."

Sweeney specifically said the University is performing better than it may appear in alumni giving. Many families gave through their foundations rather than personally, which, Sweeney said, deflated the individual alumni giving totals.

"[Those gifts] will be counted in foundational giving rather than individual giving," he said. "If you take a look at our alumni participation, at about 18 percent, we are number one among our public peers in alumni participation."

Additionally, the University has been very successful among other higher education institutions in terms of the average alumni gift.

"The average alumni gift is a little over \$1,900, which puts us relatively in the middle of the cohort," Sweeney said. "Adjusted for size, we're number one among the public [universities]. One of the areas in which we're one of the strongest in the country is in our parent giving. We are well within the mainstream of the elite private

universities that we are competing against."

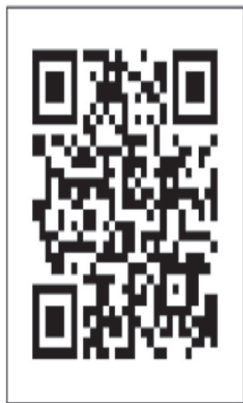
Sweeney said the University's lagging corporate giving may be due to its smaller faculty size, which is not taken into consideration.

"If you take a look at corporate giving, we're in the lower third," Sweeney said. "We have to look at how ... we leverage the very best corporate donations to the University, with philanthropy only being a piece of it. But, interestingly enough, if you look at corporate giving per faculty, we move up to almost the middle of the pack, which is really impressive work given the size of our faculty."

Overall, the University is in a very good position both nationwide and statewide in terms of fundraising and donations, Sweeney said.

"If you look at our performance from last year, there is almost no question that we will either lead the public universities or be in the top two or three in performance in virtually every area," Sweeney said. "We are going to move up among the higher private institutions."

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Panel discusses Ukraine

Students, professor, visiting scholar consider Kiev protests

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News Writers

NewsA discussion panel addressing government responses to recent violent political protests in Ukraine was held Friday at Rouss-Robertson Hall. Fourth-year Commerce student Anna Buynova, the president of the Slavic Student Association, invited experts from the American Enterprise Institute and other organizations to offer commentary on the issue.

Panelist and third-year College student Mateo Diachok said the crisis began with underlying tensions between the European Union and Russia. Protests were incited when Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych broke his promise to sign a trade agreement with the European Union.

Initially peaceful demonstrations staged in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital, erupted into intense violence Feb. 18, after which nearly 100 were reported dead and many more injured.

Leon Aron, a resident scholar and director of Russian Studies at the American Enterprise Institute, said Russian President Vladimir Putin is backing Yanukovych.

"[It is] not a civil war, yet, but it is a revolution," Aron said. "There is a moral rejection, moral incompatibility with this regime and the protesters."

Diachok said the government reacted violently to the peaceful protesters, who would not leave the central square, Maidan, of the Ukrainian capital.

"The president has been using excessive force, and has not restricted the Special Forces he has sent in," Diachok said. "[The government] originally used batons and rubber bullets, but now use live ammunition."

Fourth-year College student Roman Gryniv invoked wisdom from President John F. Kennedy in emphasizing the gravity of the

current situation.

"If you ignore a peaceful revolution, you will be faced with a violent one," Gryniv paraphrased.

The protest has already grown from a few thousand to almost half a million people, Diachok said.

James Greene, a senior advisor for United States-Ukraine Business Council and president at Effective Engagement Strategies, said American and western freedoms set an example for Ukrainian citizens.

"We have inspired the people of Maidan, if not our values then our institutions," Greene said. "What is inspiring is our society. ... They want to live like us, they want to study like [us], they want the freedom to choose what they do afterwards."

Greene criticized American inaction in the present conflict.

"The regime was vulnerable to sanction," Greene said, "and we absolutely refused to do it."







Diachok said Yanukovych's dealings with the Russian government and Russian business leaders undermined his credibility in the eyes of Ukrainian citizens, framing his intentions as personally beneficial rather than beneficial for the Ukrainian economy as a whole.

"There's also been an enormous amount of blatant corruption that involves billions of dollars," Diachok said. "[Citizens] were aware that Yanukovych wasn't a true democratic leader in that he was taking dirty money from Ukrainian and Russian oligarchs."





In an effort to address the ongoing riots, Yanukovych signed a tentative peace treaty, calling for new presidential elections in the fall of 2014. Aron said the Yanukovych was unlikely to win an election.

"I think any educated person should care about what is happening in the world and go beyond reading the headlines," Buynova said. "[University students should be] digging deeper and seeing the different perspectives."













STUDENT COUNCIL CANDIDATES












	Has SpeakUpUVA been successful at aggregating student feedback?	Should StudCo use a percentage-based model to allocate funding to approved CIOs?	Should so much of StudCo's funding go to club sports?	Should StudCo representatives be permitted an unexcused absence during the semester?	Do you think the Entrepreneurship and Innovations Committee should reform its approach to facilitating communication between University entrepreneurs through UVAStart?	Do you support recent changes to AccessUVA?	Are you satisfied with the current level of student representation on the Board of Visitors?	Has the allocation of GIFT grants done a sufficient job making U.Va. a greener, more sustainable University?	Should the Student Activities Fee be increased?
 ABRAHAM AXLER	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO
 ANA MORAIS	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO
 JANNTUL PRAMANIK	YES	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO
 ANTONIO DE LA PENA	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO
 SIDNEY GAFFORD	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES
 MATT JACOBSON	YES	YES	—	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO

UNIVERSITY JUDICIARY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Name	What is your school?	Should UJC be required to publish its budget and spending reports regularly?	Should the head of the UJC be elected by the student body instead of the committee?	Should students be able to have professional representation at UJC trials?	Should UJC be required to release summary statistics regularly, including percentage of cases reported by students vs. ODOs and race, gender, school and year of accused students?	Should VP for Student Affairs Pat Lampkin be permitted to review UJC decisions?	Should Housing and Residence Life increase the number of cases it reports to UJC?	Do you approve the UJC's reduction of the First-Year Judiciary Committee to 12 from 17 members?	Do you intend to seek either the chair or one of the vice-chair positions if elected to UJC?
 SAM BRICKFIELD	LAW	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO
 PATRICK GRECO	LAW	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
 KYLE SNAPP	LAW	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
 SHANICE HARDY	BATTEN	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES

HONOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES

	What is your school?	Do you support the single sanction?	Should the Honor Committee be required to publish its budget and spending reports regularly?	Has the new organization of support officers resulted in a better functioning Honor Committee?	Should students be able to have professional representation at honor trials?	Should students be permitted to choose a random student jury for honor trials?	Should the Honor Committee Chair be elected by the student body instead of the committee?	Should sexual assault be considered an honor offense?	Do you intend to seek the chair or vice-chair positions if elected to the Honor Committee?
 MARTESE JOHNSON	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES
 LANDON WILKINS	CONTINUING & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
 TAE SEO	NURSING	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 TYLER PITT	ARCHITECTURE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES
 LINDSAY SACKELLARES	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
 MEG GOULD	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 CHARLES GAMPER	LAW	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 BRETT RAPPAPORT	ARCHITECTURE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 ERIC MACBLANE	ENGINEERING	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO
 ASHLEY SELF	NURSING	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
 JACQUELINE BECHARA	LAW	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 THOMAS HUTSON	ENGINEERING	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO

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 NICHOLAS HINE	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	YES
 LIZ MINNEMAN	BATTEN	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 JOE MARTIN	COMMERCE	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 HENLEY HOPKINSON	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES
 BRENDAN EVANS	COMMERCE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 NICHOLAS LEE	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES
 CALVIN MCPHAIL-SNYDER	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO
 TIMOTHY SWARTZ	COLLEGE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
 STEVEN SAMOTIS	CONTINUING & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
 MICHAEL BILLET	MEDICINE	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
 SEAN XIAOYI YU	COMMERCE	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO

Candidates who did not answer survey:
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STUDCO: Drew LaFontaine, Morgan Lingar, Andrew Lanius, Austin Corritore, Elvin Lee, Sarah Olsen, Alexandra Huff-Reynolds, John Graham
UJC: George de Casanova, Lauren Ortiz, Ashley Munoz, Caroline Eckert, Brendan Rijke, Mike Brown, Bhargavi Munukutla, Rosa Waters, Tim Kimble



Robert Elder
Associate Editor

Coach Augie Busch came into the season with one lofty goal — to build the Virginia swimming and diving teams into a nationally-recognized top-five program. The results displayed by the Cavaliers in the past week leave little doubt that Busch is well on his way to achieving just that.

The No. 9 Virginia women won their seventh consecutive ACC Championship Saturday, routing their competition as they have for most of the season. Leading after every day of competition, Virginia finished with 1,433 points, 228 points ahead of second-place North Carolina's 1,205. Ten other conference teams competed, but no team scored more than 1,000 points.

"The title means a lot in and of itself, but the fact that the women swam so well, fought so hard, and cared so much about each other during this whole battle, that's what really is the most special," Busch said. "Competing at a high level is fun to watch. It was a heck of a ride for me and the coaches to be a part of it. Winning a title is great, but even if we hadn't won, it's about

how they compete, how they fight and how they come together."

Busch expressed his admiration for the way the women competed not just this weekend, but throughout the season. The coach said his team's constant pursuit of excellence starting in August practices made the ACC Championship victory less surprising.

"There's a reason there's such a long streak win by the women," Busch said. "We show up. We fight hard. We're all about that mentality."

Virginia has been setting record-breaking times throughout the season, a theme which continued in a merciless onslaught as the week progressed.

Freshman Leah Smith led her team to victory, winning the 500-yard freestyle Thursday in 4:34.35, setting a new school and conference record while also notching the fastest time in the nation this season. Smith was also victorious in the 1,650-yard freestyle Friday, coming from several seconds behind in the final 100 yards to win the event in a new school record of 15:47.99.

Sophomore Courtney Bartholomew also contributed a strong performance for the Cavaliers, winning the 100-yard backstroke in

51.50 and the 200-yard backstroke in 1:52.37. Both times set new ACC Championship records.

Freshman Laura Simon won the 100 and 200-yard breaststroke, setting the school record for both with times of 58.96 and 2:07.68, respectively. Junior Ellen Williamson broke one more individual school record with her time of 52.19 in the 100-yard butterfly Friday.

Virginia also broke three school and conference records in the relay events. The team of Bartholomew, Simon, Williamson and senior Emily Lloyd won both the 200 and 400-yard medley relays with times of 1:36.16 and 3:29.94, respectively. The 800-yard freestyle relay team — Smith, senior Caroline Kenney, freshman Kaitlyn Jones, and Williamson — was victorious with a time of 7:01.39. These records came as a pleasant surprise as many of the Cavalier swimmers have yet to completely hit their taper.

"We're not all shaved and tapered right now," Bartholomew said. "So just for us to have such a great meet, it's just icing on top of the cake. In four weeks we should be ready to go again, but just this weekend it was very exciting to see."

Despite the intensity of the competition, the Virginia women stayed loose and enjoyed the meet.

The special team bond certainly played a role in helping the team remain upbeat and ready to perform during four consecutive days of continuous competition.

"I thought it was just the team atmosphere," Bartholomew said. "I personally have never had such a great week with my team. Just to laugh and have fun made it a wonderful, wonderful week."

On March 20, Virginia will compete in the NCAA Championships. Busch has maintained throughout the season that the NCAA Championships will be his and his coaching staff's primary focus. With such a strong regular season and confer-

ence showing already completed, Busch will now lead his team back to practice with the goal of winning the elusive national title.

"We talk about what the next level is and we talk about how competing at a high level and cashing in on opportunities is what allows you to experience and reach the next level," Busch said. "So here's the next level — four weeks away. It's a chance for us to test our power against the best in the world, really. We're excited to do it. The women are going to enjoy this for the next couple of days, and then it's right back to work."



Ryan O'Connor | The Cavalier Daily

Freshman Leah Smith won the 500-yard freestyle in a school and conference record time of 4:34.35, the fastest time in the nation this season. Smith also won the 1,650-yard freestyle.



Akash Khungar | The Cavalier Daily

Redshirt sophomore forward Anthony Gill's second-half dunk spurred a 25-0 Virginia run.

No. 14 Cavs dominate Notre Dame 70-49

Huge 25-0 second-half run against Fighting Irish powers Virginia to school record 14th conference win

Michael Eilbacher
Senior Associate Editor

Midway through the second half of the No. 14 Virginia men's basketball game against Notre Dame, the Cavaliers once again found themselves tied in a close ACC game, 43-43. It was reminiscent of the team's game against Clemson and Virginia Tech; Virginia had failed to achieve much separation from the Fighting Irish all game, but once again, the Cavaliers flipped the switch, reeling off a 25-0 run to seize control of the game.

Notre Dame looked helpless as the Cavaliers poured on basket after basket and cruised to a 70-49 win. With a game-high 15 points from both senior forward Akil Mitchell and redshirt sophomore forward Anthony Gill, the Cavaliers picked up their school record 14th ACC win of the season.

"It feels like we've had a few of

those [runs] over the last three games," coach Tony Bennett said. "Each game there has been something that started the momentum. It was a good way to finish, because Notre Dame is hard to guard. They do some of the same things we do."

The Cavaliers (23-5, 14-1 ACC) played strong early on, jumping out to a 19-7 lead midway through the first half. But the Irish (14-14, 5-10 ACC) would fight back, tying the game at 28-28 and forcing a 30-30 halftime tie. Mitchell led Virginia in the first half with eight points, as the Cavaliers shot 52.2 percent from the field. Irish junior guard Pat Connaughton had eight points as well to lead Notre Dame.

"Look at [Mitchell's] 7-of-7 from the floor, and our bigs were 14-of-17 from the field," Bennett said. "Akil really found some holes against their zone and their man-to-man, and was able to score some buckets."

The Irish took an early lead

coming out of the break, starting the half on a 6-2 run to go up 36-32. Virginia would take a 43-41 lead before Notre Dame tied the game at 43-43 with 11:25 left to play.

From that point on, though, Virginia dominated the game. A three-pointer from senior guard Joe Harris started the run, and a block from sophomore guard Justin Anderson led to a dunk from Gill and a 50-43 lead.

"[Anderson] is such an x-factor guy that, if you've seen him, he comes out of nowhere and can gather and get way up there," Bennett said. "His timing is really good. He has the ability to track the ball, especially in transition. But, we want him in the right position on the floor. I really think he's doing the things that are helping us win. He's doing some special things."

Anderson and Gill both saw significant time off the bench, playing 24 and 22 minutes, respectively. Bennett said he does not plan out which players will see action

in a game — he plays whoever is shooting and defending well. This depth makes it difficult for opposing teams to formulate a plan to shut down the Cavaliers.

"Virginia might be the best team right now talent-wise," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "They are very physical. They are really good at guarding you and they dictate the tempo of the game. I think they are a really confident group. Their team knows who they are on both ends of the court."

Notre Dame did not score for almost nine minutes during the Cavalier onslaught. In addition to Gill and Mitchell's 15 points, redshirt sophomore guard Malcolm Brogdon finished with 13 points. He has scored in double figures in every ACC game. The crowd at John Paul Jones Arena was deafening as Virginia continued to extend its lead possession after possession,

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No. 6 Baseball sweeps three-game series against Pirates

Downes knocks two leadoff home runs against East Carolina ace Hoffman in 3-2 Friday victory; Cavaliers move to 6-1 record

Matthew Morris
Senior Associate

The Virginia baseball team blasted a leadoff home run this weekend at Davenport Field, sweeping East Carolina in its first home series of the 2014 season. The No. 6 Cavaliers, playing before the largest home crowd for a February series in program history, extended their winning streak to six games with on-point pitching and spotless defense.

"You know, East Carolina's year-in and year-out got a very, very good ball club," Virginia coach Brian O'Connor said. "The thing I was impressed about our club the most was the fact that all weekend the defensive intensity that we played with was pretty special — the fact that we didn't have an error in all three ballgames. You know, if you throw strikes like we did on the mound and you handle the ball defensively like we did, you're going to have a chance to win every ballgame you're in."

Friday's opener pitted Pirates

(3-4) junior ace Jeff Hoffman against the dangerous Virginia (6-1) lineup, a marquee college baseball matchup in the truest sense. Hoffman, a right-hander considered to be a top-five pick in this year's MLB First-Year Player Draft, piped in high-90s heat and sprinkled in a change-up, throwing six and one-third innings of five-hit, four-walk ball.

Junior centerfielder Brandon Downes, though, got to Hoffman in a big way, tagging him for a pair of leadoff home runs to left-center field in the second and sixth innings.

"We knew he was going to be throwing hard, probably throwing a lot of fastballs," Downes said. "I mean, I faced him last year and he gave it to me pretty good. He struck me out three times chasing sliders, so basically I just went up there and I was going to try to work early and try to see something, hopefully a fastball or something, up in the zone."

Virginia also scored off Hoffman in the third, when junior sec-

ond baseman Branden Cogswell drew a two-out walk, took second on a breaking ball that got away from Pirates sophomore catcher Travis Watkins, and came home on junior first baseman Mike Papi's double.

On the other side of the ball, sophomore left-hander Nathan Kirby matched Hoffman pitch for pitch. Kirby ran into trouble in the third inning, walking sophomore centerfielder Garrett Brooks and hitting senior second baseman Drew Reynolds to load the bases with two outs.

The Pirates plated two runs when Cogswell lost a high pop-up off the bat of senior third baseman Zach Houchins in the sun-shadow line while running across the Davenport infield. Kirby, though, rebounded to strike out junior clean-up hitter Ian Townsend, with help from junior catcher Nate Irving.

"I just wanted to get off the mound," Kirby said. "I was definitely rattled, but you know, with Irv and a couple of the guys talking to me in the infield, it really helped

me get through it. I can honestly say that I probably wouldn't have gotten through it without them."

Kirby worked six and one-third innings overall and started a run of 17 consecutive scoreless for the Cavalier pitching staff. Virginia took his start, 3-2, and blanked the Pirates 4-0 Saturday, getting five strong frames from sophomore

right-hander Josh Sborz and four scoreless relief innings from sophomore David Rosenberger and freshman Connor Jones.

Virginia sophomore right fielder Joe McCarthy made one of the finer plays of the weekend in the

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Ryan O'Connor | The Cavalier Daily

Junior centerfielder Brandon Downes tattooed a pair of fastballs to left-center field from Pirates junior ace Jeff Hoffman for leadoff home runs in the second and sixth inning Thursday.

No. 5 Virginia dominates Scarlet Knights, Cavs remain undefeated

Tucker scores career-best five goals, Van Arsdale tallies career-high six points; Cavaliers open season 4-0 for seventh consecutive year

Kristen Cauley
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After a seemingly slow start, the fifth-ranked Virginia men's lacrosse team managed to buckle down and find momentum to fuel



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Junior midfielder Ryan Tucker scored a career-high five goals and added an assist to lead the No. 5 Cavaliers to victory Saturday, 19-12.

a 19-12 victory against Rutgers Saturday night at Klöckner Stadium. With this win, the Cavaliers improve to 4-0 for the seventh straight season.

The Scarlet Knights (2-1) struck first when junior midfielder Rich Rambo put one past freshman goalkeeper Matt Barrett to give his team an early lead. The Cavaliers responded with a pair of goals, including senior midfielder Chris LaPierre's first since 2012 after suffering a knee injury last season. But they were unable to hold onto the lead for long.

One minute after LaPierre's goal, Rutgers evened the score with an extra man strike from senior attackman Scott Klimchak. The Scarlet Knights scored twice more to double their lead to 4-2, but the Cavaliers would not let the first quarter end quietly. With three seconds left in the period, senior midfielder Rob Emery scored to bring the game within one goal.

Klimchak started the second period with back-to-back goals that extended the Scarlet Knights' lead 6-3. Junior midfielder Ryan Tucker would answer with the first of a game and career-high five goals at 11:23.

The Scarlet Knights managed to regain their three-goal advan-

tage, but this was their last significant lead of the night. Tucker sparked the Virginia offense, capping a first-half hat trick with a last-second shot assisted by senior attackman Mark Cockerton to give the Cavaliers a slim 9-8 advantage going into the half.

"It was big to get the lead and it was a good feeling for us going into the locker room," Tucker said. "Up a goal, we wanted to keep the pressure on and keep that lead going into the second half."

The momentum of the game permanently shifted in Virginia's favor, as the team would not relinquish their lead from this point forward. Improvements in ground balls were key to the Cavalier's second-half success, translating into more possessions and increased success in finding the net.

"The single biggest difference was our play off the ground," coach Dom Starsia said. "Our defenders got every ball up and our offensive guys were riding the ball back."

Junior attackman Owen Van Arsdale opened the third quarter by scoring his second goal of the night to give the Cavaliers a 10-8 advantage.

Apart from a lone goal by Rambo, Barrett had a quiet period

in comparison to Rutgers sophomore goalkeeper Kris Alleyne. Alleyne saw 19 shots to Barrett's three, allowing five straight goals from five different Cavaliers. The quarter ended with Tucker's fifth and final goal from sophomore midfielder Greg Coholan to increase Virginia's lead to 14-9.

"We patched up some of the little things we did wrong in the first half," Tucker said. "[We] did well in the transition game, really hustling to the ground balls and [it was] just an overall great effort."

Less than two minutes into the fourth quarter, sophomore attackman James Pannell extended the Cavaliers' scoring streak to six by netting his first goal of the night on an assist from Van Arsdale. Senior midfielder Nicholas DePaolera quickly answered to end the Scarlet Knights' scoring draught. Trying to stage a late comeback, Rutgers netted two straight goals against Barrett to cut the Cavalier lead 15-12.

"I was sweating it out until late in the game," Starsia said. "There were only a couple minutes to play before I thought, 'Okay I think we got this one, finally.'"

Sophomore defender Nate Menninger crushed any chance of a Rutgers comeback when scored

his first career goal at 10:36 to end the Scarlet Knights' three-goal run. Menninger also proved an answer to Virginia's recent faceoff issues, going 9-for-15 on the night.

"We had been working on some creative things facing off," Starsia said. "Nate was one of the options we were going to and it just seemed it was working for us."

Virginia scored two more goals and Pannell ended the night with a hat trick, burying a pass from Van Arsdale to seal the win for the Cavaliers. Van Arsdale's assist marked a career-high in both points and assists for the junior attackman, with six and four, respectively.

The Cavaliers have become accustomed to close games this season, and the seven-goal margin was a change they gladly accepted.

"It's good to get some tough wins early like the first three," Van Arsdale said. "It's also nice to be able to pull one out. When you're the stronger team you're playing a little better that day, not letting up and keeping your foot on the gas like we did in the fourth quarter."

The Cavaliers return to action Tuesday when they travel to Emmitsburg, Md. for a midweek matchup against Mount St. Mary's. Faceoff is scheduled for 4 p.m.

No. 9 women's lacrosse falls behind early, loses to No. 2 Orange

Virginia cannot overcome early first-half deficit, falls to third ranked opponent in four games; Cavaliers face No. 8 Penn State next

Robert Elder
Associate Editor

No. 9 Women's lacrosse falls behind early against No. 2 Orange

Cavaliers fall against third ranked opponent in four games, 18-14

The No. 9 Virginia women's lacrosse team hosted its first game of the season Sunday afternoon in Klöckner Stadium against No. 2 Syracuse. The contest marked the 16th meeting between the teams, and the first as conference rivals. Syracuse is Virginia's third top-10 opponent in the past four games.

In an all-too-familiar situation, the Cavaliers (1-3, 0-1 ACC) fell just short to this ranked opponent, as Syracuse (4-0, 1-0 ACC) used its dynamic offensive attack to cruise to a 18-14 win. The Cavaliers, however, managed to hang-around with Syracuse for most of the game, allowing coach Julie Myers to take away a few positives from the loss.

"I think we have all the right players and the right toughness and grit," Myers said. "We just are lacking being clutch in key moments. A goal here, better shooting on cage would have really helped. A couple more ground balls, a couple more clean transitions and I think we could have had a chance."

Syracuse won the opening draw, but Virginia quickly gained possession and scored just 1:04 into the game on a goal by sophomore midfielder Mary Alati. Syracuse, however, responded with a barrage of four goals in less than two minutes to take a 4-1 lead.

Virginia answered with a 3-1 run on goals by junior attacker Casey Bocklet, senior attacker Ashlee Warner, and junior midfielder Courtney Swan to cut the Syracuse lead to 5-4 with 17:38 remaining in the first half. The Orange then went on a 5-1 run, extending their lead to 10-5 at with 12:14 remaining in the first half.

After more than six minutes of scoreless action, Swan added two more goals — notching her fourth hat-trick in as many games — to cut the Orange lead to 11-7 at the half. Many of Syracuse's 11 goals came off of fast-break opportunities after draws, leading to easy scoring opportunities.

"When we won the draw, which we did a good job of, we were in good shape," Myers said. "But when we didn't win the draw, they went down and they scored a pretty easy goal. Clearly our defense coming off of a lost draw control needs to improve, but it's kind of nice to have something exact we need to work on and things that we can

train our players to do better with."

Senior Virginia defender Mad-dy Keeshan scored just 19 seconds into the second half. After another Syracuse goal, Virginia went on a 4-2 run, adding three free-position goals in just more than a minute's span by Alati, senior attacker Liza Blue and Swan to cut the Orange lead to 14-12 at 20:26.

Syracuse then railed off four consecutive goals, however, holding Virginia scoreless for nearly 15 minutes to seal the victory.

Keeshan and Swan led Virginia with three and four goals, respectively. Swan also contributed 10 of Virginia's 19 draw controls in the game.

"Courtney does a great job, especially with that draw control," Myers said. "She's a really determined attacker that goes hard to goal."

Syracuse averaged more than 21 goals per game coming into the contest. Two Syracuse players notched hat-tricks — sophomore attacker Kayla Treanor with five goals and junior attacker Devon Collins with four goals. Of Syracuse's 18 goals, 12 were assisted. Myers said she expected to be challenged by this Syracuse unit.

"We knew they were going to be great," Myers said. "Kayla Treanor is one of the best attackers in

the country and [senior attacker] Alyssa Murray has got a nice one-two punch. But they've got other kids that really stepped in. They had some pretty good, easy, clean looks at the goal today. That's probably the best attack we've played against so far, and it's going to be one of the better ones in the country as well."

Despite its recent losses, Virginia maintains hope for a complete game together in the near future.

"The close losses just say that we're almost there," Swan said. "Just a few more pieces need to fall into place. We have another full week of practice before we get to face Penn

State on Saturday, so we're just going to work on little things and come out and play a good game."

Virginia will face off against No. 8 Penn State next Saturday at noon in the fourth installment of a five-game homestand. The Nittany Lions will mark the fourth top-10 opponent for Virginia in its last five games. Despite having such a strenuous schedule, the Cavaliers have embraced the competition.

"It's crazy," Swan said. "It's a tough schedule, but that's why we all came here. We have great players, and I'd rather play the best teams week-in and week-out than play a soft schedule."



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Junior midfielder Courtney Swan scored four goals and added a pair of assists Sunday in Virginia's 18-14 loss to No. 2 Syracuse. Swan also won 10-of-19 the Cavaliers' draw controls.

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culminating in a 25-point run before Notre Dame found the net.

"I think it is [one of the toughest places to play in the conference], if not the country," Brogdon said. "I think it's a really tough place to play because we have such a great fan

base. I can't speak enough about our fans and what they bring to us during the games, and the momentum they help us create."

With the win, Virginia moves to 14-1 in the ACC, setting a new school record for conference wins. The Cavaliers also retain their first place standing in the ACC, something the team does not take lightly.

"That's something that you have to earn the right for," Bennett said. "I asked them if they were going to waste it or take advantage of it — not meaning win it or lose it — but closing out with high hands, making the most of every possession and worrying about the process and being faithful to that. We use the step analogy, and the next one is the

biggest in front of us."

Virginia has now won 11 straight ACC games — its last loss came more than a month ago at No. 5 Duke — and the team has displayed ability for brilliant performance. Recently, the Cavaliers have faced more difficulty than they did early in their conference schedule, but they have still managed to pull out

wins.

"We just play with a confidence that is unshakeable," Brogdon said. "Whether or not we are down, whether or not we get punched in the face first, in terms of a team coming out and hitting a couple shots, I think we have a lot of resiliency at home, and we play with confidence."

BASEBALL | Howard closes Friday, Sunday victories against East Carolina

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fourth inning of Sborz's start. With one out and a man on first, McCarthy ranged to his left to catch a well-hit line drive off the bat of senior leftfielder Ben Fultz and then fired a one-hop strike to Papi to double-off Pirates' sophomore first baseman Luke Lowery, who was running on contact.

"I thought it was a sure double, but Joe has great speed and all," Sborz said. "[He] got the ball and made a great throw to first to

make the double-play, which really helped out."

McCarthy, the 2013 ACC Freshman of the Year, also had a big day at the plate, finishing with two hits, an RBI and a run scored. His production from the three-hole was a common theme for Virginia, as the Cavaliers' two through six hitters accounted for seven of the team's 10 hits and all four of their runs batted in.

Virginia was back at it Sunday, when sophomore left-hander Brandon Waddell took the mound for his first start since a season-

opening loss to Kentucky. Waddell limited East Carolina (3-4), an NCAA Tournament team in 2011 and 2012, to two runs in five and two-third innings, and redshirt senior Whit Mayberry used his low-90s fastball and tight slider to silence the Pirates' order in his two and a third frames out of the bullpen.

After Townsend work a walked off sophomore reliever Kevin Doherty leading off the ninth, O'Connor signaled for junior closer Nick Howard.

Howard closed Friday's one-run

win and looked strong again Sunday, throwing in the mid-90s and sending down Lowery and senior left fielder Dylan Brown swinging. When Fultz lined out to right to end it, Howard had navigated his second successful high-leverage appearance of the weekend.

"I mean, everybody's on their feet, on edge, for the last couple outs of the game when there's a one-run game, and I mean personally, I just embrace that," Howard said Friday. "It's a lot of high energy [and] high intensity, so it's a lot of fun going out there to get the last

out."

Virginia scored all six of its runs Sunday with two outs, a statistic junior outfielder Derek Fisher said speaks to the character of the team.

"We're a blue-collar baseball team, and I think anybody that's a fan of baseball understands that, you know, two-out hits are going to win you championships," Fisher said. "You know, with this team, we're going to battle each and every at-bat."

Virginia plays VMI Tuesday at home. First pitch is slated for 3 p.m.

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"My biggest debts are to my professors, who have served as mentors and role models, and who have profoundly moved and inspired me during my time at the University," Tyson said.

The committee concluded by approving two new majors, the Master of Science in Data Science and Master of Arts in European Studies.

Diversity

The Special Committee on Diversity opened with discussion on the University's historic association with slavery.

Marcus Martin, chairman of the President's Commission on Slavery and the University, along with fellow chairman and history professor Kirt von Daake, presented on the commission's efforts to create memorials and historic materials relating to slavery at the University.

Board member John Griffin applauded the work of the commission, noting that he struggled as a chairman of Guide Services to find any information on slavery at the University when he was an undergraduate.

"There was virtually no research on the history of slavery at the University," he said.

The University will host a symposium in October to examine the work of the commission and similar efforts of invited peer institutions.

"We will use that opportunity to learn from the experiences of other institutions," Griffin said. "We want to know what they've learned ... and what to avoid."

Education and Economics Prof. Sarah Turner followed with a presentation on the recently established faculty salary study group. The group is working to conduct a quantitative analysis on salary equity at the University.

"The work of the faculty salary study group starts from the premise that equitable compensation contributes to the long term objective of recruiting and retaining a really outstanding faculty," Turner said.

Though salary equity has quantitative limitations, the group is examining 910 faculty members and attempting to present an initial report of salary equity by the end of the semester, Turner said.

"We're hard at work in terms of synthesizing our results, figuring out how to present this work clearly and carefully to the University community," she said.

University President Teresa Sullivan said the study is crucial, as the University moves toward merit awards based on peer-reviews. Though she believes peer-reviews better reflect the accomplishments of faculty members, they risk being contaminated by implicit reviewer bias.

"You actually need to do a quantitative review like this to balance the

positive feedback of the peer-review system," she said. "It's also our legal duty to see that our faculty are equally compensated."

Strategic Planning

The Special Committee on Strategic Planning discussed accreditation plans, data sciences and staff leadership.

Sullivan began with a presentation on the University's upcoming review by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. The University must comply with 90 standards of accreditation every 10 years in order to meet the Association's standards. The next review will be conducted from September 2014 to December 2017.

Sullivan spent the majority of her time at the meeting discussing the Quality Enhancement Plan, a required part of the accreditation process. The QEP focuses on improvement of student learning. It is difficult to develop a methodology to assess student improvement at the University due to high incoming standardized test scores, Sullivan said.

"Based on the entering SAT scores of our class, we can never show improvement," she said. "They did well on standardized tests coming in and they will do well on standardized tests going out."

Don Brown, the director of the Virginia Data Science Institute, followed Sullivan with a presentation on the progress of the institute. Brown said the University is at the forefront of data sciences, with a unique emphasis on cross disciplinary data studies.

"Most places are still concentrated in business and computer science," he said. "They don't have the full range that we do."

As of Jan. 15, 88 students applied for the masters in data sciences, with 78 percent of applicants coming from outside the United States.

"We're getting a very strong set of applicants," Brown said. "This is a tribute to what we put together at the University."

The institute has been working to recruit new faculty. Though experts in the data sciences are in high demand, the University has already recruited two new faculty members and Brown was optimistic about future hiring prospects.

Brown highlighted efforts to develop private cloud infrastructure at the University, a form of cloud computing which emphasizes security and control over customer data.

"[The private cloud] will give us the capability to do really important work not only in health but also in education and a number of other areas because the data has to be protected," he said.

Susan Karkeek, the vice president and chief human resources officer, concluded the meeting with a

presentation on staff development. Karkeek said the University is working to help staff at all levels become leaders and to view their work as a career, rather than a job.

Governance and Engagement

The Special Committee Meeting on Governance and Engagement listened to a presentation by Harvard Professor Emeritus Richard Chait

on how the Board can maximize efficiency and contributions.

University boards face challenges such as team building, prioritization of goals and coordination with the administration, Chait said.

"If [the Board] wants to elevate to the highest purpose, they must be aware what is on the President's mind," he said. "Nothing matters more than culture, and how the Board works together in order to

perform their duties."

The infrequency of meetings and the non-profit status of the Board make it difficult to establish good communication and an effective team mentality, he added.

Chait said outlining clear goals for meetings and implementing a rolling 12-month agenda would help the Board accomplish more and better serve its purpose of providing leadership to the University.

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“Both candidates are excellent and qualified but I urge our class to consider a change. Nothing against Andrew, but we should not be content with leadership that seems nonexistent and uninvolved at times. Not only is Jack invested in Greek life, but he is a diligent and hard working student in the classroom (as you probably know he is a Jeff scholar). I think it is disconcerting that people as qualified as Jack are labeled as “out-of-touch frat boys” and highlights the disconnect between independents and Greeks at UVA. The previous comment exemplifies what Jack needs and wants to accomplish which is to bring our class together regardless of Greek affiliation.”

“Vallar for Prez” responding to Katie Grimesey and Rachel Goretzky’s Feb 23 article, “Vallar challenges Kwon for third-year president spot”

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LEAD EDITORIAL

Honorable student body

The managing board endorses Johnson, Hopkinson, Lee, Hine and Sackellares for College Honor representatives

Our decision of who to endorse for College Honor representatives was difficult. All eight candidates interviewed with us, and all eight seemed very enthusiastic about Honor. However, we can only choose five. As many of the candidates identified similar problems within the Honor system, we prioritized those who articulated feasible, concrete plans to address these problems. We also favored the candidates who connected most with a certain ideology — that Honor truly belongs to the student body, and that student buy-in is more important than any particular policy.

Martese Johnson impressed us with his dedication to diversity. Though he does not come in with Honor experience, he has taken the time and energy to become well-educated about the system, focusing on the issues of minority representation and an informed retraction policy that may disadvantage students of lower socioeconomic status. An active member of the Black Student Alliance, Johnson is committed to making Honor appeal to minority communities at the University. With his election, he hopes to inspire future minority students to participate in Honor and run to be

representatives, so that the Committee can be more reflective of the student population as a whole.

Henley Hopkinson won us over with his commitment to soliciting proposals from the student body rather than running a “vote yes” campaign, like last year’s Restore the Ideal Act. Hopkinson proposed a regular “Honor Congress” with students of all demographics and faculty to encourage them to identify the problems they see with Honor and to formulate their own solutions. Though Hopkinson supports the single sanction, he says that he cares more about the low reporting rates, and would be open to eliminating the single sanction if the student body feels that it is necessary.

Nick Lee introduced several unique ideas that made him stand out from the rest of the group. His proposals included a CIO liaison program, an essay competition with a cash prize and allowing the students to decide how to spend a certain portion of Honor’s budget. These three initiatives are meant to make the students feel more connected to Honor, and to stimulate discussion about how the Honor system can be improved.

Nick Hine’s experience and intimate knowledge of the Honor

system convinced us to endorse him as well. Like other candidates, he identified the problems of “spotlighting” and “dimming” as they relate to disproportionate reporting, and proposed a thorough study to figure out why these disproportionate rates exist. Hine made a promise, if elected, to “hit the ground running,” starting right at the beginning of the term with new initiatives and taking full advantage of the entire year to accomplish as much as possible.

Lindsay Sackellares takes our final spot. She expressed a desire to reach out to international students — one of the three demographics that is reported for Honor offenses more frequently — to ensure that a lack of understanding does not make them feel targeted by the system. She also proposed, to address the issue of inadequately trained or apathetic student jurors, creating a large jury pool that would be trained and used consistently throughout the semester.

Meg Gould, Tim Swartz and Calvin McPhail-Snyder did not receive endorsements from us. Though Gould and Swartz both have extensive experience with Honor, we felt as though they were somewhat disconnected from the

student body’s opinions, seeming to think that lack of student buy-in is caused by students’ misunderstanding of Honor, and not by the fundamental problems of the system itself. Though both candidates seemed very invested in the Honor system, their opponents’ visions for its improvement are more in accordance with the ideology of student ownership.

McPhail-Snyder is an Honor outsider, and while his fresh perspective and willingness to question the current the practices of the system could serve the Committee well, he struggled to formulate tangible, feasible solutions to the problems identified.

We feel that electing the five candidates we have selected for College Honor representatives gives Honor the best hope for progress and reconnecting with the student body. We believe in the ideals of Honor and want it to succeed, but Honor will lose relevance if it remains out of touch with the desires of the student body. Hopefully, the new Honor Committee will take their commitment to serving the University community seriously and make large strides toward becoming more transparent, diverse and receptive.

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Searching for enthusiasm

The managing board is left mostly underwhelmed by College UJC candidates

Our interviews for University Judiciary Committee College representatives left us with more questions than answers. With only three candidates running for three spots, the race again raises the concerns about the lack of student engagement.

Third-year Timothy Kimble, the strongest candidate we interviewed, pointed to that issue, saying that UJC could improve its external communication, reaching out to the student body to let them know what UJC does and how it does it. Such a move would perhaps solicit more involvement in UJC, and create a greater marketplace of ideas that could improve the committee.

UJC is not as prominent as Honor among the University community, and not nearly as controversial. So perhaps it is more difficult to identify the problems surrounding UJC — as some of the candidates struggled to do — than to identify those surrounding Honor. But just because an organization is not held under scrutiny, that does not mean stagnation is an acceptable plan of action for the future term. Though all candidates have experience with UJC and would keep the organization running sufficiently, sufficiency is an outcome not worthy of enthusiasm.

Because of our time limitations, we could only interview candidates for College representatives. We do hope, though, that the candidates in the schools whom we did not have a chance to meet have more innovative ideas to contribute to the committee.

Going forward, we hope that the new representatives to UJC find ways to engage more with the student body, identify ways to improve the committee and come up with concrete plans to implement those changes. At a University that prides itself on student self-governance, we need to be sure that we hold accountable the leaders of every body that exists to serve all students.

Ready to lead

The managing board endorses Ross, West and Miller for president, VPO and VPA

The race for Student Council president is, for the second year in a row, uncontested. Third-year Engineering student Jalen Ross will be the only candidate on the ballot. Ross, a StudCo veteran, ran against Neil Branch last year for the position of vice president for organizations and received the last managing board's endorsement for that position.

Though Ross was not elected, he went on to serve as director of university relations on the executive board. His experience in the organization, as well as his goals for the coming term — like establishing a Student Council ambassadors program, uniting all of the members of Student Council and involving students in solving the problems that directly affect them — make us confident that he will do well as president.

This year's race for vice president for organizations is also uncontested. Second-year College student Kyle West, the sole candidate, may not have as much experience, but is qualified for the position. Having served on the appropriations committee, he understands the complex process

of allocating a limited amount of funds to a growing number of CIOs, and has a number of ideas to help organizations deal with the problem of scarce funding. A system of record-keeping, rewarding CIOs who consistently submit good budgets and helping CIOs be self-sustainable are all ideas that West proposed.

Third-year College student Sky Miller, one of two candidates for vice president for administration, gets our endorsement for the position. He was the only one to schedule an endorsement interview with us, which indicates his commitment to reaching out to other organizations and making his voice and his platform heard. It also perhaps indicates his opponent's lack of engagement. Miller demonstrated in his interview that he has an excellent understanding of what the VPA job entails, and how the VPA works with the president and the VPO, making us confident he is fully prepared to take on the role.

From what we know about both candidates' platforms and planned initiatives, Miller is the better choice. One of Miller's ini-

tiatives would be to change Student Council's meeting structure, turning it into a town hall format so that students would be more encouraged to propose ideas and give feedback, and would be more informed about Student Council's ongoing projects and initiatives. This is an important change to remedy the disconnect between Student Council and the rest of the student body. To this effect, Miller also has proposed requiring all of the Student Council committees put together reports throughout the year, so that the student body would be constantly updated on their progress.

Finally, we pause for a moment to consider the larger consequences of the uncontested races. Though Ross and West are qualified for the positions, a lack of competition could result in a larger problem — a lack of participation of the student body in general. Only about 40 percent of the student body voted last year. The reason for the low rate of participation could be the numerous amount of uncontested races, but the causality could be reversed. A general lack of interest from

the student body could dissuade people from running for a position of leadership. The position is devalued if a majority of students do not actually care who their leaders are.

In addition, there are only six candidates running for eight Student Council College representatives. Of those six only one interviewed with us. For this reason, the managing board cannot make an endorsement for Student Council College representatives, as we had planned.

Both Ross and Miller said that the lack of interest in leadership is a problem. Uncontested elections won't necessarily dissolve student self-governance, but more competition would optimize the system. Thankfully, the two aforementioned candidates also talked about plans to get more people involved in student leadership: outreach and recruitment through transparency, as well as improving the logistical system of student elections. We should feel reassured that these three candidates are all focused on improvement. There is always something that can be done better, and they will surely find it.

He said, she said

The comments section of The Cavalier Daily's website should be used as an avenue for further engagement

Christopher Broom
Public Editor

The big goings-on at The Cavalier Daily website this past week had to do with climate change, speakers invited to the University and website commenting policy. Literally hundreds of comments across a few columns provided for some interesting reading if one could slog through all of it.

It started when Thomas Forman II wrote a piece published in the Opinion section in which he took issue with the College Republicans inviting Phil Valentine, a radio talk show host, to speak about climate change. Forman's column attracted quick attention, at first largely from people who disagreed with him and eventually from many commenters arguing multiple sides of various points, including whether any debate is worthwhile, whether climate change is real, whether climate change is caused by people and so on. It's important to note here that part of the reason there were so many issues being addressed in the comments is that the point of the piece itself was not entirely clear. I found myself having to reread the column several times to try and be certain I was getting

Forman's point.

Further, and in many ways more importantly, in the first iteration of the column as published there were simple factual errors about Phil Valentine's biography. He was erroneously called a former congressman instead of, correctly, the son of a former congressman. As I read comments along the lines of "if you can't get that right, why should I believe the rest of the facts you claim to write?" I found myself thinking — there's something of a point here. No, getting something that is ultimately fairly trivial wrong doesn't invalidate reams of research about climate change, but when you're trying to convince people of something, especially something they're reluctant to believe, being wrong about such things undercuts any other point you want to make. As this was a guest Opinion piece, I'm not sure how much The Cavalier Daily needs to do in terms of basic fact checking. If this were a regular columnist, I'd be much more critical about simple things like biographical errors slipping through. I lean towards thinking that the editorial process should include fact-checking things that are verifiable. Clearly, opinions do not fall into this category.

Peter Finocchio, Chairman of

the University College Republicans, and Phil Valentine both wrote responses to Forman's piece. Kyle Gardiner, a student in the Batten School, also wrote a response to the response.

Ultimately, all of these pieces really ended up talking right past each other, and I'm not sure anyone would learn much of anything from reading them, certainly not about climate change. In the comments, though, a rollicking exchange got going and then got out of hand, prompting the managing board (or whoever was acting on their behalf) to delete many comments and cut off access to at least one screen name. I was following the comments in just about real time and I applaud their action. In an excellent piece explaining why there is a comment policy and why they enforced it in this case, the managing board reaffirmed their commitment to making The Cavalier Daily a resource for the community. I encourage the managing board to continue with the same attitude moving forward. As a reader, the overly vitriolic comments make the comment option useless as a way to engage the material in The Cavalier Daily, much less to engage in conversations with other readers.

Lastly, for this week, I renew

my call for better descriptions of who is writing Opinion pieces and in which section they're being published. It is unclear who is a guest writer, who is a normal columnist for The Cavalier Daily and in which section some columns are being published. The Opinion section and the Life section both have columnists and if the section is not highlighted in the banner at the top of the webpage, it can be impossible to tell which section the piece is in. Further, within the Opinion section it can be impossible to tell whether someone is a one-time guest, whether that guest column was invited or sent unsolicited and whether the person is affiliated with the University in some way. Perhaps reviving the letters to the editor section more and using it instead of the Opinion page to publish such pieces would help. Or a specific graphic that will identify guests and whether the column was solicited would be useful.

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Honor Representatives



"I'm undecided because I don't know their stances on the issues. I've only seen posters and Facebook groups."

-Laura Biver, third-year, College

"Nick Hine, Nick Lee, Meg Gould, Henley, Tim Swartz. There are many wonderful candidates running for the Honor Committee this year. If the students had the opportunity to elect the honor chair, it would be a difficult decision."

-Charlie Tyson, fourth-year, College



"I'm not sure who I'm voting for yet, but based on advertisements alone, Nick Hine seems to be the candidate to choose for CLAS students. He is doing a really good job with his campaigning on Facebook and that's going to play a role in gaining him lots of previously undecided voters."

-Lexi Katz, third-year, Curry

"I'm voting for Nick Hine for Honor Committee because, among a field of extremely qualified candidates, Nick has an impressive amount of Honor experience as well as the leadership abilities that we will need in the year to come."

-Will Brewbaker, first-year, College



"Nick Hine, Meg Gould, Tim Swartz. I know these three people on a personal level, but I'm not familiar the qualifications for the position. I don't think this is the best way to choose a candidate, but that's all I have to go off of."

-Zach Pottanat, third-year, College



StudCo President

"I was unaware [that the race is uncontested], but I do feel that especially since student government is valued so highly here at U.Va., there needs to be competition in order to foster better ideas and hold candidates accountable for proving why they would be worthy leaders."

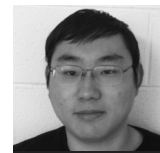
-Kanuj Bains, first-year, College



VPA

"I prefer Sky as a candidate because although both candidates have a strong track record of leadership, Sky seems to have a more specific platform regarding StudCo finance and administration, which is what the VPA position really is all about."

-Jeremy Kemp, first-year, College



"I'm voting for Rafat Khan for VPA but mainly because I know him personally. I actually don't know that much about the candidates in terms of their positions and plans."

-Bill Su, second-year, College

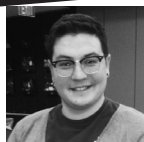
"Sometimes I wonder how relevant Studco is to my day to day life, but I think personally I'm going with Rafat Khan for VPA."

-Henry Brazer, third-year, Architecture



Who are you voting for?

Fourth-Year Vice President



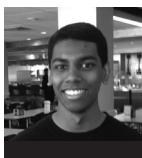
"I don't know who Kieran is, but Blake is a nice guy, so I guess I'm voting for him."

-Joe Leonard, third-year, College

Third-Year President

"I am voting for Jack Vallar because he has great, original ideas. He also makes good decisions and has strong character. He is what the third-year class needs."

-Charlotte Blais, second-year, Engineering



"The other guy hasn't really reached out to me. Andrew Kwon visited my dorm last year. He made an impression on me, and that impression stuck over the years."

-Josh Samudre, second-year, College

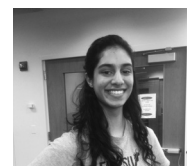
Batten Council



"[Bryan] has really stepped up as a third year and taken on the responsibilities above and beyond what have been asked of him, so I think his experiences working within Batten and just his overall outgoing, hardworking personality would make him an awesome president of Batten Undergrad Council."

-Emily Pik, fourth-year, Batten

Student Council Representatives



"The positions are not well-publicized. I'm surprised there are not more people running given the competitiveness of the student body and our culture's emphasis on student self-governance."

-Anika Turkowitz, third-year, College

Third-Year Vice President



"I went looking for the two candidates' platforms, so I could see what they were all about. The result was fairly inconclusive based on their short Facebook event description — is this the future of political campaigns? Both pledged to unite the class and work with the Rotunda renovations; however, Parisa has experience with different roles on First and Second Year Council which gives her more valuable experience than an incumbent."

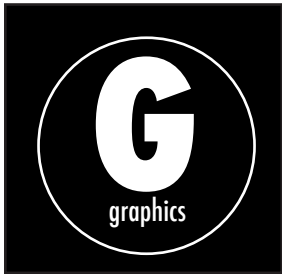
-Caroline Herre, second-year, College

Nursing Council

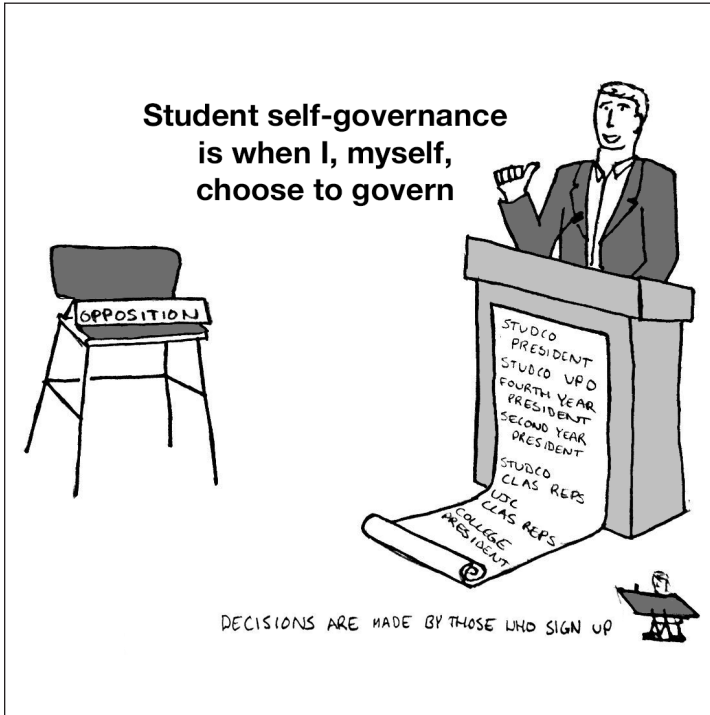
"I have chosen to vote for Elizabeth Holohan. Elizabeth is experienced, organized, hardworking, and very passionate about the nursing school. She has been on the class council for two years and is familiar with some of the other nursing student leaders and the way our council functions."

-Linda Ruamthong, third-year, Nursing

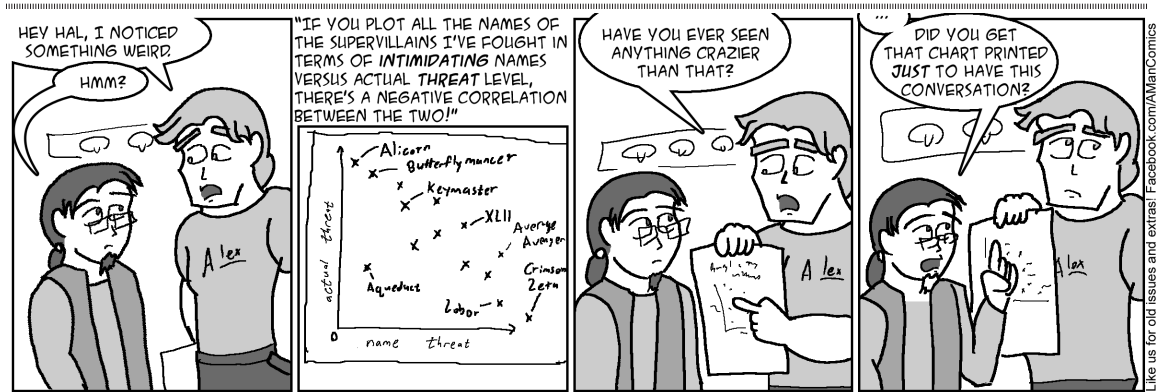




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SOLE SURVIVOR BY MICHAEL GILBERTSON



SPOTLIGHT



Tanwa Apornthip works with the Seminole Trail Volunteer Fire Department. Trained by the state of Virginia, the department volunteers respond to emergencies just like

any career firefighter, but they do it for free. "The men and women of the Seminole Trail Volunteer Fire Dept. are out there everyday saving lives," said Apornthip. "But what motivated me to volunteer were the self-improvement aspects. I was surprised how much of a positive impact becoming a volunteer firefighter has had on me, the most obvious one being learning how to control myself in a stressful situation. After a structure fire, studying for that stressful exam isn't quite the same." For Apornthip, however, the job is more than just saving lives. An international student, with relatives thousands of miles away, he calls the department his "second family." Apornthip also encourages other U.Va students to expand their horizons, and get involved in the community.



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Emily Dinning
Associate Editor

Researchers at the University of Texas have announced the creation of artificial lungs, concocted from elastin and collagen scaffolding and devoid of cells. The successfully grown lungs, however, will not be ready for implantation until after another 12 years of clinical trials and testing.

In a live trial, scientists then placed a patient's own cells on the scaffolding to grow. Weeks later, the once-empty scaffolding resembled fully functioning lungs.

Dr. Christine Lau, associate professor of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, said that though the organ-growth process is "a little ways away still, new technology is working in several fronts; I'm sure down the road we can engineer lungs and treat diseases."

The new invention could treat

lung diseases such as emphysema, pulmonary fibrosis, pulmonary hypertension and cystic fibrosis, she said.

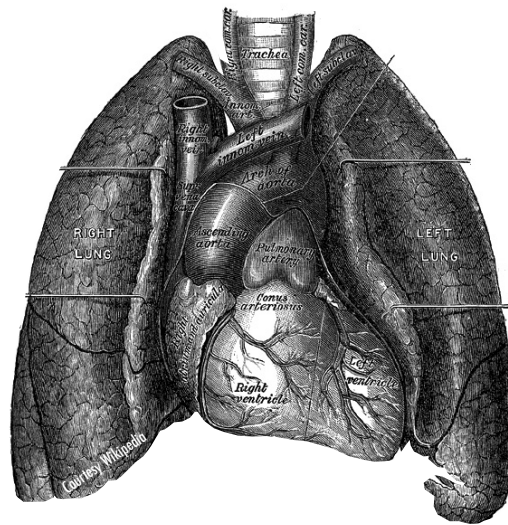
The growth of new organs could also eliminate the biggest risk of the transplant

process: rejection of the organ. Though there are currently drugs to treat acute rejection of lungs and other organs, chronic rejection cannot be treated and is fatal, Surgery Prof. Dr. Irving Kron said.

"If there's a means of growing organs, that's a fantastic stride," Kron said. "There's a huge shortage of organs such as lungs, so if something like this could work, that would be fantastic for people."

Kron's research lab at the University has been looking into lung rehabilitation. The lab has performed successful rehabilitation of lungs that were perma-

nently damaged and not



functional.

It's estimated that 120,771 people are in need of organ donations. Eighteen people die every day waiting for a donation. One organ donor can save up to eight lives, according to data from the

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

There is a high demand for organs, and when the supply does not meet the demand, some individuals turn to extreme methods to obtain organs.

"Donate a kidney, buy a new iPad," one advertisement from an organ broker in China reads, offering \$4,000 in compensation if the kidney could be harvested within 10 days.

Other brokers are not as light-hearted. The World Health Organization estimated that 11,000 organs were bought from the black market in 2010. An organ is sold every hour of every day.

In 2013, the body of Kendrick Johnson, a young man from southern Georgia, was found rolled up in a mat in his high school gym because of a freak

accident. After the first autopsy, Johnson's parents were not satisfied and ordered a second one. Johnson's body was found to be devoid of organs, instead containing rolled up newspaper.

Despite increasing rates of black market buying and selling of organs, organ trafficking somehow slips under the radar. In 2011, Levy Izhak Rosenbaum, 61, pleaded guilty to three counts of organ trafficking in federal court in the first U.S. organ trafficking case. Organ trafficking has been illegal in the U.S. since 1984.

Rosenbaum, originally from Israel, had been selling organs at higher rates to Americans since 1999. The broker would create a cover story for each donor to make it appear a voluntary act and to throw off any suspicion. Artificial organ development, though a new field with several questions still unanswered, offers a chance at serious progress in combatting the black market for organs.

University STEM major retention remains high

Engineering School graduation rate among highest in the nation, Berger says more students entering not leaving school

Rabita Alamgir
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Jobs in science, technology, engineering and mathematics are expected to grow by 2.8 million by 2018, according to data analyzed by the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce. Even with this growth, the second-fastest increase in the country after health professions, the 2011 report predicts STEM jobs will make up only 5 percent of all jobs.

A study conducted by the National Science Foundation for a 2003-04 cohort showed that roughly 40 percent of first-time freshmen at four-year institutions planned on majoring in STEM fields. That increased to 60 percent, twice the combined attrition rate of all other majors, when pre-medical students were included. These students usually have the strongest SAT scores and high school science preparation, according to data from the University of California at Los Angeles.

But according to data compiled by Eric Bettinger in 2010 at Stanford University, less than half of students who initially express interest

in STEM majors ultimately pursue that degree in college. Bettinger found that 57 percent of students who intended to major in a STEM subject chose a different academic path — citing difficulty of course work, lack of interest in the subject matter and the culture of the departments as reasons for switching out.

Retention rates among STEM majors at the University are higher than the national trend, however, said Edward Berger, associate dean for Engineering School undergraduate programs. The Engineering School has seen a retention rate of 90 percent from first year to second year for the past five years, he said.

The Engineering School also has a six-year graduation rate of 75 percent for students who ultimately earn an Engineering degree, Berger said, and more than 90 percent when including students who earned a degree in another school at the University.

"We've had more rising second-years transfer into engineering," Berger said. "Our graduation rate for students who start in engineering and eventually earn an engineering degree is ... among the highest in the nation."

Third-year Engineering student

Alex Ziehm, a systems engineering major, transferred from the Nursing School into Engineering School, saying she preferred math-centric courses.

"I was too overwhelmed with all the science classes," Ziehm said. "I also didn't like the idea of committing the next 10 years of my life to being a doctor if I was on the fence about it."

Berger said many students who transfer both into and out of the Engineering School do it because they realize their interests lie in another field of study. There are other students, however, who may be overwhelmed by the demands of the program.

"Sometimes students enter engineering not as academically well prepared as we would like them to be," he said. "In particular, their calculus skills might not be sharp enough. Other times, students experience academic challenges in their first semester or two, and become discouraged and decide to transfer to another discipline."

Berger said that the Engineering School focuses on helping these students in particular to overcome their discouragement.

"Engineering is not just some-

thing you study in school, it's something you do as a career," he said. "So the significant efforts that students put in now, and the challenges they overcome, pay potentially lifelong dividends in terms of job opportunities, or graduate study."

Increasing STEM education has been part of a nation-wide effort in recent years.

President Barack Obama and industry groups are hoping for one million students with STEM majors and 100,000 new STEM teachers in the next decade. The campaign for excellence in STEM education has had positive results so far, with recent trends showing a rise in STEM-directed college freshmen student bodies.



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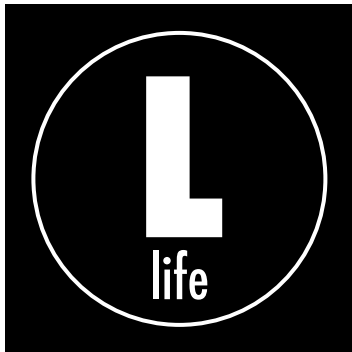
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Making the path

TEDxUVA brings ideas worth spreading to Grounds

Kelly Seegers
Feature Writer

One-hundred eager students filed into Nau Hall Saturday for the second annual TEDxUVA event. With talks on topics ranging from education reform to mountain climbing, the speakers were united by a central theme — “make the path” — adopted from Stephen Colbert’s valedictory speech last spring.

Only 100 out of the 700 people who requested tick-

ets attended the live event, though organizers had the talks streamed in several locations around Grounds — including OpenGrounds, GrandMarc apartments and Newcomb and Observatory Hill dining halls.

In locations with special streaming, short courses were offered on a variety of topics ranging from Photoshop to improv comedy. Each course focused on hands-on learning and included 10 to 15 people. Second-year College student and TEDx Special Events Committee Chair Abbie Sharpe said she hoped the short courses and livestream would allow everyone to participate in the event.

“We are happy that [so] many people want to come,” Sharpe said. “Obviously we wish we could accommodate everyone, but with the livestream we are hoping that everyone feels that they can experience it to some extent.”

The organizing team placed a heavy emphasis on the interactive nature of the event, encouraging speakers and students to talk to each other during breaks throughout the day. Sharpe said TEDxUVA is not a speaker series, but a conference, and students who come are not audience members, but attendees.

“I think it is interesting to feed your mind with interesting things but also to contribute back in some way,” Sharpe said.

“TEDx’s mission is ‘ideas worth spreading,’ so it’s not just one speaker giving them to students, but rather the transaction goes

story of how he founded a small country called “The Kingdom of Ardent.” McVey said his inspiration for founding a digi-



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Saturday’s talks centered on “making the path” — a theme inspired by Stephen Colbert’s graduation speech to the Class of 2013. One hundred students attended the event.

both ways. I think that is what’s really unique about TED.”

Fourth-year Engineering student Kevin McVey was one of two student speakers at the event, having won the TEDx speaker competition in the fall. He was joined by University professors and other figures invited by the speaker committee.

In his talk, McVey told a

tally-based country came from the country of Monaco, in their entrance for the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

“Monaco has the worst track record of anyone at the Olympic games,” McVey said. “They have been going for 100 years and haven’t won anything, and these people were amped. They were the most excited, enthusi-

astic people, and that to me was weirdly really inspiring. ... I decided that I should start my own country.”

McVey began the Kingdom of Ardent by creating a website, designing a flag, drafting a constitution and offering dual citizenship to whoever wanted to join. Before long, 400 people from six different continents were citizens of his country and referred to him as “King Kevin I.”

A military formed alongside a functioning government and an economy that traded digital currency. There were even talk shows broadcast to citizens.

People began to salute McVey as he walked the halls of his high school — he was nearly expelled for starting “gang activity.” A new school rule was created: no student may start a country.

“It’s really affected the way that I view the world and the way I view leadership and public engagement and how I interact with people,” McVey said.

Attendees left the event inspired, filled with new ideas and ready to make their own path.

“There are so many interesting stories and you never [know] how diverse the student body [is] on Grounds,” first-year Engineering student Drew Biedermann said. “You have people who start their own countries, people who have done all this interesting stuff that you never knew was possible at this age.”

All is bright and gay

Students band together to abolish ‘not gay’ chant

Darby Witherspoon
Feature Writer

“Cheers and festivities rang out last Wednesday evening, when more than 10 inches of snow gave students and staff an unexpected four-day weekend.

However, when a celebratory rendition of the “Good Ol’ Song” on the Lawn included the “not gay” cheer — a long-standing habit repeatedly criticized by students, faculty and alumni — it left behind a dark footprint on the freshly-fallen snow for fourth-year College student Abe Wapner.

“I really wasn’t expecting [the words ‘not gay’],” Wapner said. “You don’t hear them that much, especially when you’re like me and don’t go to football games. It caught me by

surprise. I live on the Lawn and I know the people that were up on the stairs [of the Rotunda]. It’s not what I would expect [from them.]”

Wapner, who is co-vice president of the Queer Student Union, used the event to renew the conversation about ending the “not gay” cheer — calling upon students to come to the Rotunda steps and join in a proper version of the song.

Wapner met with Associate Dean of Students Francis Laushway to formulate a possible response. The timing was opportune — the snow had caused the annual Love is Love campaign, run by the LGBTQ center every Valentine’s Day, to be pushed back a week.

“We’re all going to be wearing our shirts and showing our support anyway,” Wapner said. “Why don’t we sing the Good Old Song the right way to show everyone how it’s done

and how you should sing it?”

The event brought together more than a hundred members of the University community last Friday.

Laura Widener, third-year College student and intern at the LG-BTQ Resource Center, attended the event.

“I feel like that [hearing the ‘not gay’ chant] just made us have so much more gusto and so much more [desire] to be here and to really show our pride,” Widener said. “I’m really proud I go [to U.Va.]”

Wapner said he feels progress is being made around Grounds in LGBTQ advocacy efforts, but there is still work to be done. At a recent queer student leader conference, he said, the University sent three delegates and Yale sent 60. But acceptance of LGBTQ communities on Grounds is higher than in years past.

“[During] my second-year a kid got beat up for being

gay right by Brooks Hall, right by the Corner,” Wapner said. “Things like that don’t happen anymore.”

Attitude changes have extended to the Greek system as well, Wapner added.

“This year, several of my friends from the Queer Student Union and other gay groups have [undergone formal recruitment as openly LGBTQ] and several of my friends that are in fraternities have come out,” Wapner said. “I think it’s that action that has really changed the culture around here.”

Wapner said ignorance is still the strongest force that breeds homophobia, on Grounds and beyond.

“I don’t think most of the people who shouted it are honestly homophobic and intending to hurt someone when they shout it,” Wapner explained. “What I’m really hoping from this event is that we can change this expectation so there is no need for hate in the ‘Good Ol’ Song.’”



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LOVE CONNECTION:

ADRIAN & KATARINA



ADRIAN

Year: Third
Major: Physics and Math
Hometown: Herndon
U.Va. Involvement: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Prince Club, CHoosE
Ideal Date: I like someone who laughs at crummy jokes, can talk about deep things easily, but could also shoot the breeze.
Hobbies: I like to sing, ride my bike, play Super Smash, hike, swim, eat (good food), people watch, and talk.
What makes you a good catch? I'm intelligent, I have bulging biceps, I love to hear about your feelings, I have a giant smile and the heart to match it, and I can legally drive a bus.
Favorite pick-up line: Are you an interior decorator? Because when I saw you, the entire room became beautiful.

A Virginian love story

Allie Griswold
 Love Guru

Adrian and Katarina met at the Rotunda at 7 p.m. and went to The Virginian.

Adrian: I have been at U.Va. for two-and-a-half years and had never been on a casual date before, so I wanted to try it at least once.

Katarina: I thought it would be a fun way to meet people, so I just kind of went for it.

Adrian: I got pretty excited when I found out I had been chosen. I was like, "Sweet, I get to try this now," and I told my housemates and my pledge class about it.

Katarina: I was nervous but also surprised and excited. I told my housemates and they were excited to hear how it went.

Adrian: I didn't have any expectations going into [the date]. My only real expectation was that it would be casual and if nothing else, I'd make a new friend.

Katarina: Going into it I thought that I had to make a good impression, and I was nervous about that.

Adrian: I sat on the steps of the Rotunda for a while, and then I saw a girl walking over. She looked like she was looking for someone, so I smiled and said "hi."

Katarina: When I first saw him, he looked really nice and well dressed. It was a good first impression.

Adrian: She was tall and pretty. I asked if she had dinner yet and when she said "no," I suggested The Virginian.

They have good mac and cheese.

Katarina: I had never been to The Virginian before, so I was excited to go. It was really good food.

Adrian: Over dinner, we talked about so much different stuff. We talked about our plans after college, our families and steam tunneling, which I've done a lot.

Katarina: He had a lot of entertaining and fun stories about steam tunneling and other cool things on Grounds. I've never been, so I was like, "You should take me!"

Adrian: It was a relatively easy conversation for two people who had never met before. I did more of the talking, but I'm just more of an external processor. I don't feel nervous talking to people I've just met, and I could tell she got less nervous as the date went on.

Katarina: The conversation flowed

well. He was really nice and friendly. He definitely talked more, but I like that because I'm not as talkative.

Adrian: We're both Christians so we had a lot to talk about there. We had a decent number of things in common, and it was cool to see her eyes light up when we realized that we were both passionate about something.

Katarina: We both play inner tube water polo and have similar tastes in TV. He is a big fan of "Parks and Rec," and I like those short, funny comedy shows.

Adrian: There was probably a bit of flirting; it's just something I do in a date, so I kind of expected it.

Katarina: It was mostly friendly, which was nice. There was maybe a little flirting, but mostly getting to know each other as friends.

Adrian: After we finished the meal, I walked her back to her house,

exchanged numbers and then hugged her goodbye.

Katarina: He was a real gentleman. He paid for my meal, held open the doors for me and walked me home. I was really impressed. On the way back, he had like seven people stop and say "hi" to him but played it off like it was totally normal. It was funny; it seemed like he knew everyone on Grounds. Adrian: I would rate the date an eight. Everything went well; I thought that she was comfortable, I was comfortable and there weren't any red flags or anything super off-putting.

Katarina: I would rate it an eight. It was a lot of fun. We have a lot of mutual friends, so I think I'll see him around.

Adrian: She texted me after to say she had a good time. I could totally see us hanging out again in a casual setting. I really enjoyed meeting her.



KATARINA

Red, white and MUSIC

New CIO "Tunes for Our Troops" looks overseas

Margaret Mason
Feature Writer

First-year Engineering student Kyle Liggan founded a new student organization called Tunes for Our Troops. The group aims to lead fundraising efforts to buy iPod Shuffles for active-duty military personnel overseas.

"Everyone loves music," Liggan said. "We just hope to raise awareness for what our troops do for us and raise money to buy iPod shuffles."

Liggan developed the idea for Tunes for Our Troops during her senior year of high school when she was tasked with carrying out an independent volunteer project.

"I wanted to do a service project, so I was doing a little bit of research and I found groups that were sending music and books overseas to the military," Liggan said. "So I thought, 'music is a huge part of my life and people are listening to it all the time, why not send music?' That's where it all started."

Her project raised \$3,058 in the course of six months, sending 57 iPod shuffles with music overseas to troops. Energized by the success, Liggan decided to continue her project at the University.

"It was very rewarding," Liggan said. "I got a lot of emails back saying how much it meant to them that people here were thinking about them and [they] use it every day."

Along the same lines, Liggan hopes her campaign can educate the general public on the sacrifices made by active-duty members.

"A lot of people take [the soldiers'

contributions] for granted sometimes, and so I'd like people to be aware of the sacrifices they have made for us," Liggan said. "It's still important to show them that we do care."

First-year College student JC Gamble, a member of Army ROTC, contacted Liggan about getting involved with the project after seeing it advertised on Facebook. Gamble is the organization's military liaison.

"I've always had a deep respect for military and obviously I'm going to be in the military," Gamble said. "I feel like it's really important to continue showing the troops our support because many guys I've talked to who have served abroad feel like they are forgotten sometimes."

Liggan and Gamble are currently in the process of planning publicity and fundraising efforts for the semester. In April, Tunes for Our Troops hopes to partner with the Army ROTC RJ Hess Scholarship 5K. Liggan said she is looking into partnering with a cappella groups to raise money.

"I would love to have more members because more help always makes everything easier," Liggan said. "Right now it's just very small scale [and we're] trying to figure out how this process works."

"I hope first of course that they know that they're supported, but also that they can get a taste of home," Gamble said. "I think life is a lot better with music and — especially in some areas of the world where our troops are deployed — any little bit that can make their lives better is important and will help."

Gamble said the music may help troops feel less alone while overseas in hostile territories for months on end.



Courtesy Kyle Liggan

Liggan founded her CIO at the University as an extension of a charitable project she began in high school. Her project hopes to remind soldiers of home by giving them the gift of music overseas.

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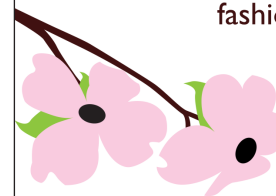
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