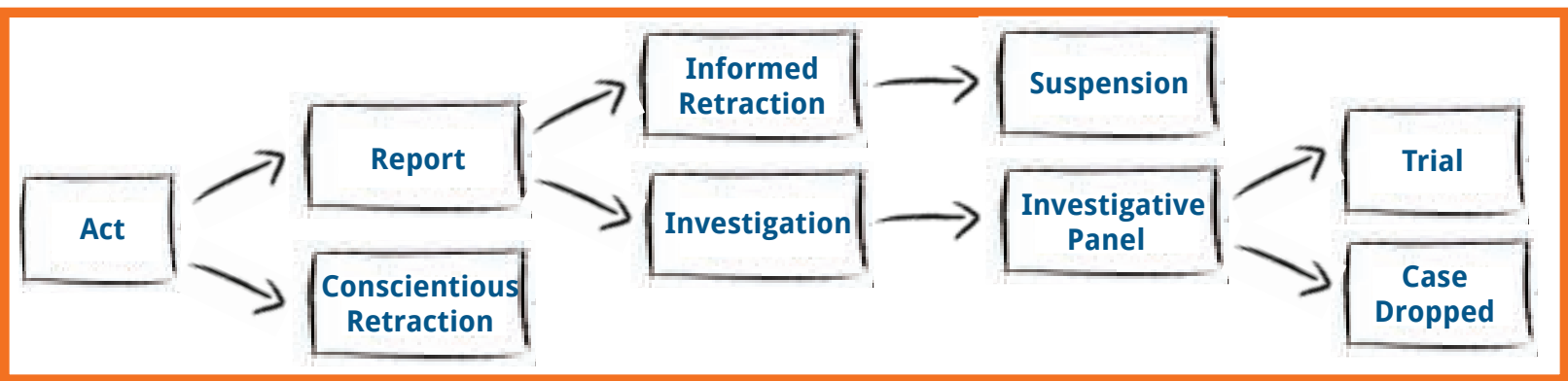


Honor Committee endorses reforms

As part of the Restore the Ideal Act, formerly known as Back to Basics, the Honor Committee proposed changes to honor's reporting, investigative and trial processes.

Courtesy Virginia Honor Committee



Proposal replaces random student juries with elected representative panel, introduces informed retraction option for accused students

By Grace Hollis
Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The Honor Committee voted Monday afternoon to support

the Restore the Ideal Act. The act includes an informed-retraction option, which would allow students to admit honor offenses after a report has been

filed against them and return to the University following a yearlong suspension. It also calls for honor trial juries to be comprised of only elected Com-

mittee representatives. The proposal, formerly titled Back to Basics, passed 25-1 following weekly discussions among Committee members

since last semester. The proposal needed 18-of-27 votes to

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StudCo asks Assembly to reject Dragas

Committee passes Vice President for Operations Neil Branch's resolution unanimously; 88.1 percent of College students surveyed agree

By Emily Hutt
Cavalier Daily News Editor

Student Council voted unanimously Friday afternoon to pass a resolution petitioning the Virginia General Assembly to reject

University Rector Helen Dragas' reappointment to the Board of Visitors. A few days after the Council vote the Virginia senate voted with a clear majority to confirm Dragas, 29-9, despite student

protest. She now awaits confirmation by the Virginia House of Delegates. The resolution, sponsored by Council's Vice President for Organizations Neil Branch, a third-year Batten student, peti-

tions Gov. Bob McDonnell and members of the state legislature to "reassert the honor and community of trust at the University of Virginia" by not reappointing the rector to the Board. "We need to make sure our

voice is not lost in Richmond," Branch said. Council members sent out a survey Thursday to students in

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SPORTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Cavs stymie Seminoles 56-36

Dominant first half helps squad snap two-game road streak, level ACC record; Harris tallies 17 pts

By Daniel Weltz
Cavalier Daily Senior Associate Editor

The Virginia basketball team outplayed Florida State in every way imaginable for a full 40 minutes Saturday at John Paul Jones Arena. But one 15-second sequence best encapsulated the near-complete transformation the Cavaliers have undergone since senior point guard Jontel Evans returned from a foot injury. Junior forward Akil Mitchell drove unguarded through the heart of the paint and finished with a rim-rocking one-handed jam to give the Cavaliers an 18-point lead. On the other end of the court, freshmen forwards

Evan Nolte and Justin Anderson swatted away two would-be dunks inside by seemingly wide-open Seminoles. Evans then calmly and quickly led the break, drawing the defense before setting up Anderson on the left wing for the team's seventh 3-pointer of the opening period and a 33-13 advantage — to the delight of the raucous 12,303-person crowd. "It energized the crowd, and when the crowd gets into it, we get into it and it's a lot of fun to play," Mitchell said of the sequence. "Justin hitting that three was a big shot and it just lit

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Dylan Harding | Cavalier Daily

Senior point guard Jontel Evans enjoyed one of the best games of his injury-riddled season Saturday, notching six points and a game-high seven assists.

A momentous afternoon

FRITZ METZINGER

Like astrology, Greek life recruitment or determining the quantity of licks needed to reach the center of a Tootsie Pop, assigning one "defining moment" to an entire game or season is an imprecise art. There are pivotal moments in every game, instances that flip the script or alter the narrative. But rarely does a single moment capture the nuance or complexity involved in answering the two questions sportswriters primarily address: What happened, and how much does it matter? So it is unusual that Virginia's comprehensive 56-36 plastering of Florida State Saturday — in which the Cavaliers held the Seminoles to fewer points than the Florida State football team averaged in 2012 — featured two such defining moments. The first moment occurred with about three minutes remaining in the first half. After freshmen Evan Nolte and Justin Anderson swatted point-blank attempts from Florida State reserve center Michael Ojo, whose 7-foot-1-inch frame made the sizable Nolte and Anderson look like Frodo and Bilbo Baggins, senior point guard Jontel Evans hastened down the court with the rebound before feeding Anderson for a left corner trey. Anderson obliged with Virginia's seventh 3-pointer of the afternoon, propelling the Cavaliers to a 33-13 lead and sending the John Paul Jones Arena crowd — 12,303 strong — into hysteria. From my experience as a sports fan and from listening extensively to the wisdom of Phil Simms, I've discovered that — you might want to write this down — good defense and offense usually lead to good

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Jenna Truong | Cavalier Daily

Junior guard Ataira Franklin ranks second on her team with 12.2 points and 3.0 assists per game through 17 games this season.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Virginia outlasts Hurricanes 62-52

After building big lead, Cavalier women survive furious late rally to avenge earlier loss to Miami

By Michael Eilbacher
Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

With five minutes to go in the second half, senior point guard China Crosby caught a pass from junior guard Ataira Franklin behind the arc and put up a shot. She sunk it, ended an 11-4 run from Miami and put a dagger in the Hurricanes' comeback chances.

That was the story for the Virginia women's basketball team Sunday afternoon, which relied on timely shooting to continually stymie Miami in a crucial 62-52 win at John Paul Jones Arena. Behind one of their most complete performances all year, the Cavaliers (12-6, 4-3

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The Charlottesville Fire Department responded to a fire at 5:11 a.m. Monday after a garbage truck driver noticed 1254 Wertland street ablaze. All residents escaped without injury and are temporarily being housed at the Red Roof Inn.

Charlottesville Fire Department

Wertland house erupts in flame

Early morning fire causes no injuries; fire department officials not yet able to determine blaze’s cause

By the time the Charlottesville Fire Department responded to a house fire at 5:11 a.m. Monday, the front porch of the 1254 Wertland Street residence was entirely engulfed in flames.

The blaze was reported by a garbage truck driver who was making a morning round when he saw it, Fire Department spokesman Richard Jones said. One of the house’s occupants then woke up, saw the fire and evacuated all the other occupants safely.

First responders found all residents accounted for. No injuries were reported.

The porch fire was quickly extinguished, but firefighters remained on scene to check for additional hot spots and potential fires hidden below the exterior brick on the porch.

Residents are temporarily staying at the Red Roof Inn as the house is being repaired. “University officials and the fire department are working closely to make sure the students are taken care of,” Jones said.

The cause of the blaze has not yet been determined. The City’s fire marshal is currently conducting an investigation, Jones said.

—compiled by Emily Hutt

Va. Senate confirms Dragas’ reappointment

The Virginia State Senate confirmed University Rector Helen Dragas’ reappointment to the Board of Visitors Monday afternoon. Dragas now awaits confirmation by the House of

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Delegates. Gov. Bob McDonnell reappointed Dragas June 31 after she acted to oust and subsequently reinstate University President Teresa Sullivan. Protest

groups such as Hoos University and U.Va. Alumni for Responsible Corporate Governance have since formed in opposition to Dragas. A petition against Dragas’ reappointment has garnered nearly 2,400 signatures. Student Council passed a unanimous resolution during

an emergency session Friday afternoon urging the General Assembly to block Dragas’ confirmation. Senate Joint Resolution 324 passed the Senate with a vote of 29-9. Sens. Creigh Deeds (D-Bath County), Adam Ebbin (D-Alexandria), Barbara Favola

(D-Arlington), Mark Herring (D-Leesburg), Janet Howell (D-Fairfax County), Mamie Locke (D-Hampton), David Marsden (D-Burke), Ralph Northam (D-Norfolk) and Toddy Puller (D-Mount Vernon) voted against the bill.

—compiled by Greg Lewis

Honor | Plan requires three-fifths majority in Feb. vote

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pass.

The proposal requires a three-fifths majority in the general student body election at the end of February to go into effect.

After filing an informed retraction students would be required to take a one-year leave of absence from the University.

The proposal also creates a panel of elected Committee

representatives, who will be trained to serve as jurors in honor trials.

“Our purpose is to find a true solution to what we are facing, and the combined informed retraction and jury reform can achieve that,” Honor Committee Chair Stephen Nash said.

Architecture School representative Kaitlyn Badlato, a fourth year, was the only Committee member to oppose the proposal.

She said the use of the entire student body as a jury pool for trials prevents isolating the Committee to the fourth floor of Newcomb Hall.

The Committee reviewed four separate recommendations from the Honor System Review Commission in an attempt to reform the system in 2001. “Our committee is one of the first in a long time that has strongly endorsed a needed solution to

the problem all students realize,” Nash said.

The act will go into effect April 1 if approved by the student body, Nash said.

The Committee plans to launch a campaign website — honor2013.com — in an effort to engage students through large presentations and meetings with student leaders.

Nash expressed optimism about the proposal.

“As someone who wanted to join honor since coming to U.Va. and hearing about it at convocation, I truly think that this is a significant day for honor,” Nash said. “It’s a day when our committee has stood up and said that we’re going to take responsibility for this system, and we should not be satisfied until honor is a strong and crucial part of every student’s experience.”

StudCo | Graduate Rep. Lees calls Council delay “disgusting”

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nearly all University schools, with the exception of schools that had not yet resumed classes.

The College of Arts & Sciences survey reported 88.1 percent of 1194 student respondents were opposed to the rector’s reappointment.

“Particularly having this quantitative data from the student body, we can say we are representing the student body,” said

Eric McDaniel, Council’s director of University relations. “We really do have a clear majority of students saying we don’t want her reappointed.”

Some Council members expressed concerns about response bias and a lack of accurate representation of student opinion in the results.

Council’s time was limited, Student Council President Johnny Vroom said. “With the time and resources that we had, I did

think we did the best that we could,” Vroom said. “We could sit here and nitpick for hours.”

Council’s representative body had voted Tuesday evening to table the resolution, citing a need for appropriate representation and a desire to gauge student opinion.

At Friday’s meeting, other representatives pushed back on doubts about whether Council should take a stand, saying such questions were a way of avoid-

ing responsibility and bad press. “You [Council] have had seven months!” Graduate Rep. Adam Lees said. Lees called it “disgusting” that Council members had not yet stated an opinion on Dragas’ reappointment.

Community members also urged Council to come to a decision. “I think it would be a disservice to the spirit of student self-governance if no opinion or decision was made on this issue,” said Honor Committee

Chair Stephen Nash, a fourth-year College student..

Council voted unanimously in favor of the resolution, with two abstentions — from College Rep. John Woolard, third-year College student, and from Representative Body Chair Alex Reber, fourth-year Engineering student.

“We’re not an island,” McDaniel said. “We are a University of self-governance and we cherish that. People will listen to us.”

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Redshirt senior Matt Snyder bounced back from a surprising loss against North Carolina by defeating Duke's Peter Terrezza Sunday at Memorial Gym.

By Matthew Wurzburger
Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The No. 11 Virginia wrestling team enjoyed a successful weekend against a pair of Tobacco Road foes. The Cavaliers (11-3, 2-1 ACC) traveled to Chapel Hill Friday and throttled North Carolina 24-9. The Cavaliers returned to Charlottesville Sunday and blanked reeling Duke 38-0 in its first opportunity to compete in front of the Virginia faithful in nearly three months.

In the first match of the weekend the Cavaliers trailed the Tar Heels (4-4, 0-2 ACC) 6-3 after three matches, thanks in part to North Carolina freshman Nathan Kraisser's 8-5 upset of redshirt senior Matt Snyder.

Virginia quickly rallied and rattled off wins in six of the remaining seven weight classes. Redshirt freshman Zach Nye and

WRESTLING

Cavs sweep weekend foes

After vanquishing Tar Heels 24-9 Friday, matmen exorcise Blue Devils, 38-0

redshirt senior Jedd Moore contributed bonus points to the cause by way of a tech fall and major decision, respectively.

Attention quickly shifted to Sunday's contest against the lowly Blue Devils (2-4, 0-2 ACC), who are enduring a painful inaugural season under coach Glen Lanham. Duke is still in search of not only its first conference win but also its first team points in conference play as the Blue Devils have been blanked by both Virginia and No. 9 Virginia Tech. For the Cavaliers, a wounded opponent presented an opportunity to lock down another win and play up to its No. 11 ranking.

"It was business as usual," redshirt junior Jon Fausey said. "We expected the shutout and the one-sided victories."

It would have been easy for Virginia to overlook Duke, but coach Steve Garland ensured his squad did not let up.

"The biggest thing I can tell my guys is do not take your foot off the gas," Garland said. "We've had a lot of success in the last few weeks, and that typically

sets you up for a letdown."

It would not take long for everyone in Memorial Gymnasium to realize the Cavaliers had no plans of allowing a drop-off in their performance. The Blue Devils dug themselves an early hole by way of forfeiture at 149 pounds. Things did not improve for Duke as Moore and redshirt sophomore Nick Sulzer won by major decision and tech fall, respectively. Sulzer cruised to the 23-7 tech fall by amassing nine takedowns and three additional back points.

Throughout the match, the Virginia wrestlers rarely appeared in danger of losing. Several matches remained close in the waning moments of the third quarter, but the Cavaliers punched the gas pedal and secured match-sealing points.

Fausey won 5-0 in the 174-pound class, and redshirt sophomore Derek Papagianopoulos scored a crucial match-ending takedown in the 285-pound class.

Virginia provided the home fans an exhilarating finish. In the penultimate contest, freshman George DiCamillo rallied from a first-period takedown to

tie the match 3-3 by the end of three periods. DiCamillo's riding time was enough to give him an extra point and the match.

Redshirt freshman Jimmy Nehls topped the excitement of DiCamillo's match. With 18 seconds remaining in the third period, Nehls scored a takedown against sophomore Tanner Hough, an NCAA qualifier last season, to seal the win.

When DiCamillo and Nehls found themselves in tight matches, the Cavalier fans voiced their support boisterously, giving the matmen enough positive energy to eke out the win.

Sunday's result came as no shock to the team. "The first thing I said to my guys after the match is we looked great, but everything counts and everything matters," Garland said. "All of these matches matter."

Nonetheless, the Cavaliers cannot afford to lose focus as a grueling two months of ACC and tournament play awaits them.

"It's still a long season," Fausey said. "The thing about keeping the ball moving is doing the things on a daily basis over the next two months that are going to improve our wrestling."

SWIM & DIVE

Men, women edge conference rivals

No. 15 male, No. 10 female teams outstrip UNC, Duke in 2013's first competition; divers set school marks

By Matt Comey
Cavalier Daily Associate Editor

The Virginia men's and women's swimming and diving teams each came away with a pair of dual meet victories against ACC rivals North Carolina and Duke this weekend. The competition was the first the swimmers had seen in six weeks.

"I think we were excited to race," swimming and diving head coach Mark Bernardino said. "We haven't raced since early December, so you never really know for sure what will happen after that, but everyone was definitely excited to come out, and it played that way."

The No. 15 men's team (6-1, 2-0 ACC) opened the weekend with a dominating performance from start to finish against the No. 22 Tar Heels (3-1, 1-1 ACC). Virginia swimmers captured first place in 12 of the 16 events en route to a 194-106 victory.

"I think we came out and swam really well," freshman Luke Papendick said. "We knew coming into the meet that we would have to show them what we got, and I think we came in and did that."

The Cavaliers opened with victories in each of the first five events, highlighted by the 1000 free where Virginia juniors Jan Daniec and Brad Phillips and freshman Chris Webb finished first, second and third respectively. In the 100 backstroke, Papendick, junior Jack Murfee and senior Brady Fox took the top three spots. The meet was essentially out of reach for the Tar Heels before the halfway point.

"We definitely wanted to come out strong," Papendick said. "Coach said that we hadn't won the opening relay in a pretty long time, so it was awesome to win that race. Then distance guys came in and showed them we were going to control that meet from the get go."

The No. 10 women's team (7-0, 2-0 ACC) earned an equally impressive win against the No. 16 Tar Heels (2-2, 1-1 ACC). Unlike the men, the women fell behind early in the meet and were forced to play catch-up near the end. Trailing 72-59 at the first break, the Cavaliers eventually won 169-131.

"Going into the meet, we knew that we could see a lot of ups and downs," sophomore Ellen Williamson said. "We knew there was a chance we wouldn't be ahead at the first break, which we weren't. But we were all prepared for that being a possibility, so none of us freaked out. We just regrouped and executed very well."

The Tar Heels opened the meet capturing four of the first six events, including an Aquatic & Fitness Center record-breaking performance in the 1000 free by North Carolina junior Stephanie Peacock. Senior Lauren Perdue nearly singlehandedly kept the Cavaliers close in the early part of the meet with victories in the 200, 100, and 50 freestyle events. Freshman

Courtney Bartholomew assisted with victories in the 100 and 200 backstroke events.

Entering the final four races, Perdue and Bartholomew were the only Cavalier swimmers with victories in the meet. The contest was still up for grabs before a pair of victories by Williamson in the 100 fly and 200 individual medley and a team win in the 400 freestyle relay secured the Virginia win.

"It was a very exceptional meet from both the men and the women," Bernardino said. "We anticipated these types of matchups, and it went down to the wire for the women. We tried to save our best for last, and that proved to be a good strategy this year."

A scaled-back Virginia men's lineup defeated Duke (1-4, 0-4 ACC) by a score of 153 to 140 the next day. Virginia wins came from freshman Rodney Fentress in the 1000 free, Phillips in the 200 free, Murfee in the 100 and 200 back, Webb in the 200 fly, freshman Nick Alexiou in the 500 free and junior Nathan Hart in the 100 fly.

The Virginia women defeated Duke (2-4, 1-4 ACC) by a score of 152.5 to 122.5. The Cavaliers captured wins in 10 events, including wins from junior Rachel Naurath in the 200 fly, senior Christine Olson in the 200 breast and sophomore Shaun Casey in the 100 fly and 400 individual medley.

The weekend also featured a series of record-breaking performances by the two Virginia

diving teams. Sophomore J.B. Kolod won the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events in both meets and set new Virginia records in the two events. On the women's side, freshman Becca Corbett broke the school record on the 3-meter board against North Carolina before fellow freshman Katie Warburg set a new mark just hours later in the meet against Duke. Virginia divers claimed victories in every diving event over the weekend.

"I thought the diving performance was just tremendous," Bernardino said. "They've worked hard and are achieving at a very high level right now, which is very exciting for our program."

Prior to the meet, 12 Cavalier seniors were honored and recognized for their achievements. The senior class has won a collective six ACC team championships. Bernardino said they would look to capture another pair this year.

"This was our senior recognition day, but we're a long way away from our seniors completing their careers," Bernardino said. "We have so much more on the horizon over the course of the next six weeks or so. They've been a part of a great group that has achieved at an awfully high level, but the most important thing for me is that the seniors have an opportunity to leave as ACC champions."

Both teams will be back in action this weekend to face Virginia Tech and Wisconsin.

Virginia hosts invite

This weekend at Charlottesville's Boar's Head Sports Club, the Virginia women's tennis team hosted the UVa Winter Invitational, competing in match play for the first time since November

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in preparation for the fast-approaching spring season.

The No. 11 Cavaliers played in single-day singles and doubles tournaments every day of the long weekend, battling opponents from No. 13 Northwestern, No. 23 Tennessee, and No. 34 Utah.

Saturday, Virginia competed against Northwestern, the Big Ten Conference's top-ranked team. Coach Mark Guilbeau's Cavaliers started off the day with wins in two of the three doubles matches. No. 10 duo junior Li Xi and freshman Stephanie Nauta defeated the Wildcats' Veronica Corning and Belinda Niu 8-3 in the second-doubles slot, and freshman Julia Elbaba teamed with senior Maria Fuccillo for an 8-3 win against Brittaney Wowhuck and Kate Turvy in the third slot.

Northwestern gained the advantage in singles play, capturing wins in six-of-seven matches. Only senior Erin Vierra emerged victorious for Virginia, earning a 6-4, 6-2 victory against Linda Abu Mushrefova.

The Cavaliers sparred with Tennessee the following day. Virginia began day two of the invitational as it did the first, winning two-of-three doubles matches and finishing strong in the singles competition. The No. 5 tandem of Vierra and freshman Maci Epstein posted an 8-1 win at the second doubles position. Elbaba, paired with senior Hana Tomljanovic, completed an 8-0 bagel at the third. The Cavaliers proceeded to claim six-of-seven singles matches.

On Martin Luther King Day, the Cavaliers continued their winning ways against Utah, taking two-of-three doubles and five-of-six singles matches. Elbaba and Tomljanovic excelled. In doubles they collaborated to defeat Utah's Callie Craig and Sarah Pham, 8-2, before each posting wins in singles.

Virginia next plays at Virginia Commonwealth University Feb. 1. The dual match is the team's first of the spring season.

—compiled by Matthew Morris



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Better late than never

Student Council deserves praise for finally addressing the question of Helen Dragas' reappointment

The Virginia State Senate Monday approved Rector Helen Dragas' reappointment to the Board of Visitors, 29-9. But days before, west of Richmond, a typically timid representative body took a stand against the politically influential condo developer's reappointment. After tabling a resolution against Dragas at an ill-managed meeting last Tuesday, Student Council overcame its inertia to voice an overdue opinion on the question of the rector's reappointment.

Dragas still awaits a vote in the House of Delegates. Her confirmation, however, seems a done deal. A margin of 20 votes in a 40-person Senate is substantial. The anti-Dragas camp at the Capitol may have capsized into capitulation, but at Council we tip our caps. By calling an emergency session and passing a resolution Friday rather than waiting until this Tuesday's meeting, Council was able to make a public statement before Dragas' confirmation prospects went from likely to nearly inevitable.

A few leaders in Council — chief among them Vice President for Organizations Neil Branch, a third-year Batten student who sponsored the resolution petitioning the General Assembly to reject Dragas' reappointment — helped the body propel past its usual hesitant hand-wringing. Though few students attended the special session in Newcomb Hall, thousands chimed in online in a survey emailed Thursday to all schools that had resumed

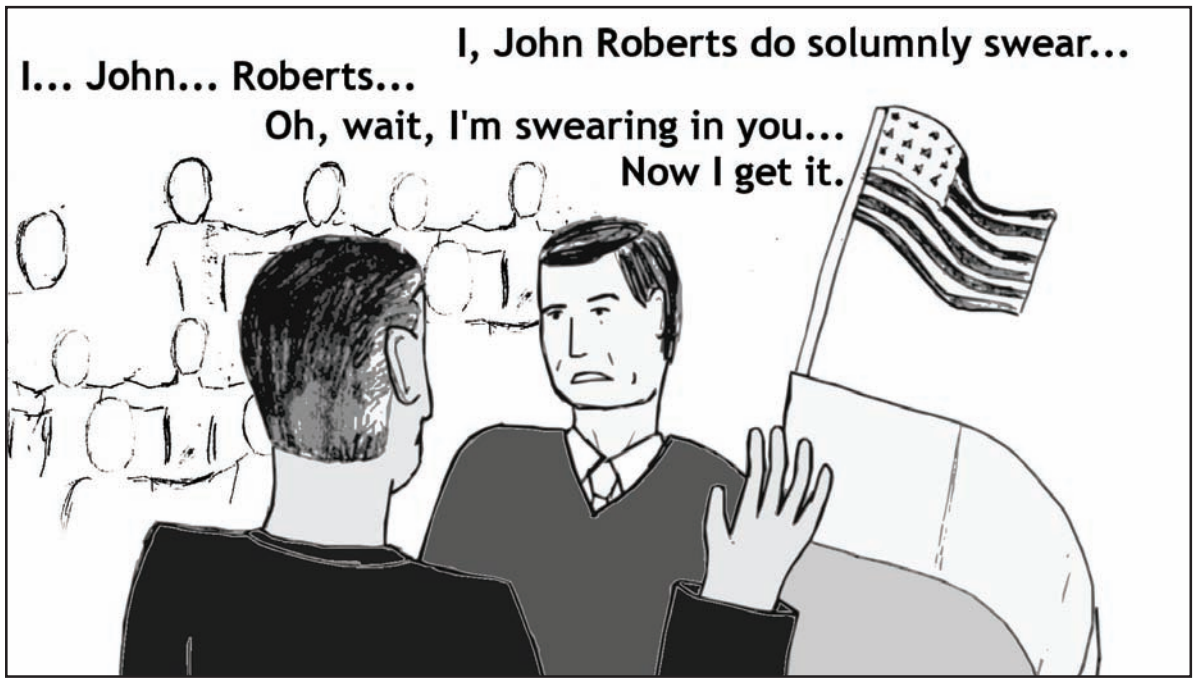
classes. Of 1,194 College of Arts & Sciences student respondents, 88.1 percent said they were opposed to Dragas returning to the Board.

The poll had its problems. The online survey was insecure and did not ask for respondents' computing IDs. Thus, students could have submitted multiple responses to slant the results. And given the short turnaround, students who felt more strongly about Dragas' confirmation might have made up the bulk of the respondents — which is, to be fair, a response bias present in nearly any democracy. Voting is a choice.

But the poll isn't the point. Admirable as it is that Council sought to assess student opinion quantitatively, the survey's main consequence was to combat the organization's internal paralysis. Representatives who begged off voting last week, saying they didn't know how their constituents felt, were left stuttering in the face of empirical data.

Friday's vote had two abstentions. One, from Representative Body Chair Alex Reber, a fourth-year Engineering student, was procedural. The other shows a flaw in procedure: the tactic of abstaining to dodge a decision. Given how much time representatives had to evaluate their own convictions and those of their constituents — not to mention the raw data Council collected from students — an abstention was not appropriate. If College Rep. John Woolard, a third year, disagreed with the resolution, he should have voted no.

Editorial Cartoon by Peter Simonsen



Act your age

The “not gay” chant during the “Good Ol’ Song” is an immature, cowardly practice

BULLYING — that term we associate with middle school and high school — we have all witnessed it, and perhaps a majority of us have done it. Once in college, though, one would think most students would have outgrown it. Sure, there is the traditional first-year hazing. Yes, this is bullying, but it is also a practice that first-years expect and are many times willing to endure. At the University though, I have begun to witness a different kind of bullying.

I came to this school expecting to find a plethora of kids like myself, driven when it comes to academics and also able to relax and have a little fun when the time comes. And for the most part, this is what I have found. I have always associated this school with honor and respect and again, for the most part, this is what I see. But for a certain group of students these terms seem to have been thrown out the window. Yes, I am talking about the now well-known “not gay” chants during the “Good Ol’ Song.” It may seem like a petty matter to be writing an entire column on, but it is petty matters like these that are liable to mushroom into larger problems. No one wants that to happen.

Hearing the chanting during football games, I ask myself how in the world students acting that juvenile demonstrated the requirements necessary to get into the University in the first place. Bullies are usually exposed as being cowards, and

ANDREW WELLS
VIEWPOINT WRITER

that is exactly what these people are. Huddled in the midst of throngs of other fans, screaming out with no regard for the implications of what they are saying or who they are hurting. The simple truth is, the chanting and its juvenile, caustic nature, is doing damage to the very University that these students claim to cherish. Think of what those outside the University community think when they hear something like this on television. Might they begin to question the values being taught at our school?

The honor code is something we take very seriously at the University. But the honor code transcends the words with which it is composed. It implies a morality, a certain conscientious mindset that all University students should have. Most that I have met do have this mindset and respect and adhere to the honor code. But there is no honor in bullying, period. And the group of students and alumni who are making a mockery of both the honor code and the University are bullies. I have a message to each and every one of those chanting. If you have something to say, do not hide among your friends, among a crowd, to say it.

I will respect your opinion if you share it with me as such. I may not agree with you, but I will certainly think of you dif-

ferently than I do now.

I am a straight guy. You might be wondering why I of all people would even care to discuss a topic such as this. Well, this issue goes beyond straight and gay. As you are now well aware, it deals with honor and respect, two values that this university was founded on and two values that keep students coming here. If we forget where we have come from, the values that we were founded upon, than what is there to keep moving us forward?

A quick word on the alumni: Grow up! You are supposed to be the role models for the next generation of University graduates. Do not participate in petty spectacles such as the “not gay” chant. For students to do it is one thing, but for adults to engage in such a nonsensical act is another.

The “not gay” chant has become a mainstay at sporting events at UVa. It has tainted a tradition that students, staff, and alumni, including myself, hold dear to their hearts. Bullies have no place at University. This cowardly, juvenile act contradicts the values of honor and morality on which this University was built. Grow up, end the chant, and act your age.

Andrew Wells is a viewpoint writer.

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The tweet spot

Social media is not a means of creating narcissism, but rather a way to revel in our accomplishments and improve ourselves

LAST WEEK, my fellow Monday columnist Meredith Berger offered her commentary on the narcissism complex that exists in our generation. She attributes this problem to the pervasiveness of social networking sites and to the false sense of pride that our prowess at video games creates. Although I ultimately decided that I had a different take on this phenomenon than the one Ms. Berger provides, let me preface my argument by saying that I thoroughly enjoyed her column. It was well-written, well-researched, and prompted an intense inner dialogue and debate for me.

I do agree that the extent to which members of our generation constantly update each other on their most trivial thoughts and actions is stunning. Technology has presented us with unprecedented opportunities to indulge in self-absorption. Unlike Ms. Berger, however, I choose to draw a distinction between narcissism and self-confidence; between self-obsession and self-promotion; between self-awareness and self-loathing. I do not see an inherent threat to productivity if we continue to humor ourselves with “deluded self-conceptions.” Rather, I find wor-

risome the idea that we should instead “accept our faults” as well as the “truth of our mediocrity.” I take a slightly more optimistic approach to addressing this narcissism problem, because I believe a society full of self-loathing citizens who openly acknowledge their own inadequacy could be just as harmful, and just as privy to depression and suicide, as one filled with narcissism.

In her column, Ms. Berger suggests that we must face the fact that no one truly cares what we post on Facebook and no one will ever quote our tweets as inspirational adages. Although we may try, we cannot cite our 5,000 friends on Facebook as evidence of our amicability and there is no place for our Modern Warfare “Prestige” title on a resume. But does this mean that we should stop using social networking? Should we stop being excited about our day-to-day feats, even if they are insignificant? I do not take issue with the contention that we have more exposure as human beings than ever before. But if we are to combat this overexposure and its associated narcissism, how should we do it? I fear that in attempting to eliminate unwarranted narcissism, we would also do away with our small pleasures and our hob-

bies. Sure, maybe only my three closest friends will read my 140-character existential crisis. But if it helps me to write it, and if I’ve successfully released a musing into the world, I do not see any harm in that, nor do I think I should stop doing it or feel ashamed of it.

Along with our constant exposure and access to virtual interaction comes a sense of obligation to “market” ourselves to others. Over and over again we are told that getting into college is competitive, the job market is competitive, and the “real world” is dog-eat-dog. Others’ expectations of our arduous futures do compel us to prove ourselves. And while it may be silly to take pride in a perfect score on Just Dance, I would argue that to do so, and even to tell people about it, is simply a programmed behavior. Ms. Berger characterizes members of our generation as self-centered because we seem to impulsively “recite our resumes.” But in today’s world, I would argue that it is not self-absorption but rather practicality and necessity that drive us

to do so, even if the feats were are citing have no relative significance.

Beyond the fact that being aware and proud of our talents both big and small can help us to be successful, we must also consider this simple truth: people like to achieve. In most cases it is all in good fun; by no means is our puerile self-satisfaction a problem for society. The logical jump that self-satisfaction will lead to complacency is a broad one to make. While I am glad when a new friend adds me on Facebook or when someone “favorites” my tweets, these things will certainly not prevent me from seeking out actual human interaction or deep, meaningful connections. Likewise, winning a round of NBA 2K13 will not delude someone into believing he no longer needs to do his schoolwork or search for employment because he is already successful. It will just make him happy, and that’s okay.

While Ms. Berger’s argument sounds strong, when you begin

to consider possible cures to our narcissism, you realize that the result would be an incredibly downtrodden, depressed citizenry. Take, as an example, college rejection letters. Should they — instead of tempering the blow — be sweepingly negative, or even specifically critical? Should they begin, “We’re sorry. There was no way that you were up to our standards. Your SAT score particularly convinced us of your incompetence...” There is danger in merely “accepting” our faults. Shouldn’t we instead consistently strive to recognize and overcome them? If we staunchly embrace the fact that we will never be anything but mediocre, from where should our motivation stem? Rather than mocking people for behaviors such as “playing celebrity” on Twitter, we should encourage them to aspire to actual notability one day. Ultimately, there may be a slight risk in our increasing narcissism, but I would argue that to replace our current attitude with its exact antithesis, one of striking and unforgiving self-awareness, would be equally problematic.

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Dream on

Martin Luther King Jr.’s platform has value for people on all points of the political spectrum

MARTIN Luther King Jr. Day has come and gone. We got a Monday off, and some degree of media reference to the civil rights leader, but did we take any lessons away from the holiday? How much do we know about Martin Luther King Jr. and the kind of man he was?

Some would think King is a man most appreciated by the left, by the minorities for whom he was the champion. King, though, also espoused many beliefs that appeal to me as well, both as a conservative and as an American.

Almost everyone knows the “I Have a Dream” line. It is an oft-quoted King classic, and in one line of the mantra, we hear the words of the Declaration, that “All men are created equal.” In another line shortly thereafter, we find both a drive for liberal change and a hope for a conservative ideal — that of a color-neutral society: “I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where

they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.”

Conservatives believe, as did King, that people should be seen independent of the color of their skins, that “all men are created equal.” He, and we today, balk at the idea of classification practices, practices which, by their very nature, reduce us as people to different colors of skin. The Supreme Court case Fisher v. University of Texas is one such example, where a white girl applying to school was rejected by a university which, like many universities today, makes use of race as one criterion in its admissions process, in order to further diversity on campus. I cannot help but wonder what King would have to say on that subject.

King was a pastor, and a man of compassion and responsibility. He found inspiration in the work of Mahatma Gandhi and his non-violent efforts to integrate blacks into American

society were criticized by the more radical black activists like Malcolm X. King spoke against the violence of the Ku Klux Klan, and also disagreed with the violence of the Black Panther Party.

He also grew up as a man of responsibility. He took responsibility for his failings — for instance, his arrest in Atlanta in 1960 — and worked to change the circumstances in which he found himself, rather than foregoing the effort and merely blaming those circumstances. He believed that real, lasting change could only be instituted when African Americans themselves took action. These beliefs can be found in his speech “Where Do We Go from Here?”: “As long as the mind is enslaved, the body can never be free. Psychological

freedom, a firm sense of self-esteem, is the most powerful weapon against the long night of physical slavery. No Lincolnian Emancipation Proclamation or Johnsonian Civil Rights Bill can totally bring this kind of freedom. The Negro will only be free when he reaches down to the inner depths of his own being and signs with the pen and ink of assertive manhood his own Emancipation Proclamation.”

All of this is not to say that Martin Luther King Jr. is my idol, or the idol of conservatives in general. He was an outspoken advocate of spending the money used for Vietnam at home instead, in order to ameliorate the plight of the poor. King called for a “radical redistribution of wealth” — words

we have heard from President Obama and the far left of today.

Both political parties will pick and choose the quotes they want in order to portray King as this or that, but a true knowledge of the man himself is an endeavor well worth the time. In researching King, I discovered a greater appreciation for the man he was, and found some preconceived notions of mine disproved along the way. He was, and is still, a fascinating and motivational person, and it is little wonder that President Reagan set a day apart in order to remember him. Though politically left in many regards, Martin Luther King Jr. was also a realist with a dream, a hard worker and a man of God — as well as a man who embodied many characteristics that the Republican Party holds dear.

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The good guys with guns

Enacting stricter gun control laws will limit citizens’ means of protecting themselves from violent crime

IN THE aftermath of the tragic massacre of 20 students and six adults in Newtown, CT, calls for increased gun control are mounting. Citing concerns about “assault weapons,” President Obama claimed that a “weapon of war” has no place in the hands of an average American citizen. Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) aims to ban many firearms in an upcoming bill that expands on the 1994-2004 Assault Weapons Bill (AWB). However, these arguments and positions hold little merit and in fact represent violations of the intent of the Founding fathers.

Let us start with the term “assault weapon.” Simply put, there is no such thing. According to Bruce H. Kobayashi and Joseph Olson in the Stanford Law and Policy Review, “it is a political term, developed by anti-gun publicists to expand the category of “assault rifles.” Note that the U.S. Army defines an assault rifle as a “short, compact, selective-fire weapons that fire a cartridge intermediate in power between submachinegun and rifle cartridges.”

These weapons are already highly regulated under the 1934 National Firearms Act, and new manufacture for the civilian market has been banned since 1986. The AR-15, the much vilified rifle used in the Newtown shooting, is actually no different than hunting rifles that have been widely used in the United States for decades. It fires one bullet per trigger pull.

The impact of rifles on crime is severely overemphasized. According to the FBI, 323 individuals were killed by rifles in the United States in 2011. Compare that to 496 people killed by blunt objects and 1,684 people killed by cutting objects in 2011.

Crime statistics show that strict gun control has a negative effect on crime rates. Many that support gun control cite examples such as the UK’s post-Dunblane massacre handgun ban, in 1997. The UK Home Office statistics recorded an 89% increase in firearms crime from 1999-2009 in England and Wales.

As the real world statistics show, the prohibition of handguns does nothing to prevent criminals from acquiring guns and attacking innocents. Mean-

while, in the U.S., where gun ownership is common, from 2006 to 2010, the FBI reported a 14% decrease in gun crime despite a 40% increase in retail firearms sales in 2009 alone. More than 3.3 million AR-15s have been sold since 1986, yet violent crime continues to decrease in the United States. The crime decrease also coincides with a massive loosening of gun restriction nationwide, including the expiration of the 1994 Assault Weapons Ban.

Another common argument is that Americans have no need for semi-automatic firearms. Again, this is completely false. The 2nd Amendment exists so that American citizens can carry out armed resistance against tyranny. The Founding Fathers did not include limitations on the First and Second Amendments so that citizens would always have modern means to resist. The citizens of Athens, Tennessee demonstrated the importance of the 2nd Amendment

in 1946 when they used private and National Guard firearms to retake control of their local government when the incumbents routinely committed voter suppression. The other common use for semi-automatic firearms is self-defense. A 15 year old boy in Texas recently defended his sister from two burglars when he opened fire with an AR-15. Or consider the example of Vice Principal Joel Myrick, who subdued a gunman at his school simply by threatening to use his handgun.

Recently, much has been made of “high capacity” magazines. The Columbine and Virginia Tech shooters used weapons with restricted magazine capacities of ten rounds as determined arbitrarily by politicians. Suzanna Hupp, a Texas legislator and survivor of a mass shooting noted, “it [magazine capacity] doesn’t matter.” When the police are minutes away, the shooter has leeway to do whatever he/she pleases.

Remember that it took Newtown police more than 20 minutes to respond to 911 calls. However, in self-defense situations, where seconds and fractions of seconds separate life and death, magazine capacity does matter. NYPD data for 1990-2000 showed that trained officers, many of whom had previous gunfight experience, required an average of 10.3 rounds to end the engagement. Limiting citizens, many of whom do not possess backup, body armor, and training, to ten rounds, a number that even police officers cannot deal with, is irresponsible.

To sum it all up, we can confidently say that the data and evidence is soundly against further gun control. A Justice Department report reviewing the 1994 Assault Weapons Ban noted “we cannot clearly credit the ban with any of the nation’s recent drop in gun violence.” Given that gun control has not shown positive effects and has often had negative effects, I feel safe in stating my opinion that gun control must not be expanded.

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M Basketball | Evans’ return spurs virtuoso Virginia victory

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the place on fire.”

Virginia (12-5, 2-2 ACC) emphatically ended its seven-game losing streak to Florida State (10-7, 2-2 ACC) with a 56-36 demolition of the Seminoles and snapped one of its worst scoring droughts in decades. Despite Evans’ return, the Cavaliers had scored just 96 total points in road losses to Wake Forest and Clemson, the team’s lowest two-game total in back-to-back contests since 1992.

Virginia scored an efficient 56 points on 22-of-45 shooting, including 7-of-9 from 3-point range in the first half, to improve to 11-1 at home this season. The Cavaliers also held an opponent under 40 points for the third time this season to earn their first win against the Seminoles since February 2007.

Even as sophomore forward Darion Atkins became the third Cavalier this season to miss time with a lower extremity injury — a “stress reaction” in his right shin, according to team officials — Evans’ veteran leadership

provided the perfect spark for a team that has teetered on the edge of a breakthrough for weeks. The Cavaliers scored 33 points off sharp-shooting performances by sophomore guard Paul Jesperson, junior guard Joe Harris and Nolte to grab an 18-point edge at the break.

“I’ve never seen those guys shoot like that,” Evans said. “I mean, they’re good shooters but tonight they were great shooters.”

The first half of the Cavaliers’ season was characterized by Harris’ and Mitchell’s dominance, a quick transition by four game-ready freshmen and the typical swarming pack-line defense that has become a staple under coach Tony Bennett. But perhaps nothing on the court could offer more solace than what was waiting on the bench.

Evans made his third consecutive start, scoring six points and adding five rebounds in 28 minutes. The stat sheet does not fully capture his contribution. Time after time, Evans found spot-up shooters for open looks from beyond the arc. Four of his

five first-half assists resulted in 3-point field goals, and his quickness and decision-making catalyzed a half-court offense that had been largely dormant for weeks. He matched a career-best in ACC play with seven assists for the game and moved into 10th all-time in school history with 323 career assists.

“Jontel is so good at getting into the paint and creating shots for guys like me and Paul and Evan,” Harris said. “He draws a lot of attention just because he’s able to break guys down and it makes it easier for a shooter when you have a point guard like Jontel.”

Harris scored a game-high 17 points including three 3-pointers, and Mitchell added 13 points on 6-of-7 shooting.

Virginia’s freshmen, who have averaged more than 22 points per game this season — the most from Cavalier freshman players since 2003-04 — added just 12 points, but their contributions on defense proved key. Freshmen Mike Tobey, Teven Jones, Anderson and Nolte — who started in place of Atkins — helped hold the Seminoles to just

15 first-half points, the fewest by a Cavalier opponent in the opening period since 1996.

Virginia, which entered the game second in the nation in scoring defense at 51.6 points per contest, frustrated the Seminoles all game. Florida State made just 1-of-15 shots from beyond the arc, had 18 turnovers and just five assists. Florida State’s 36 points comprised the third-lowest total by a Cavalier opponent in the shot-clock era and the fewest in John Paul Jones Arena history.

“I think it was just good defense,” Evans said. “Usually they don’t really turn the ball over, and we rushed them on offense, and they were taking contested shots and missing and turning it over which was good for us.”

Senior guard Michael Snaer paced Florida State with nine points, but the Seminoles would draw no closer than 14 points in the second half. Snaer opened the scoring by splitting two Cavalier defenders and elevating over Mitchell, finishing with a smooth left-handed finger roll

for Florida State’s only lead of the game at 2-0.

Virginia led 11-9 with 14 minutes remaining in the first half, and took control with their best basketball of the season during the next 11 minutes. Virginia scored 10 consecutive points, including 3-pointers by Harris and Anderson, before baskets by Snaer and junior forward Okaro White stopped the bleeding. The Cavaliers followed that run with another 12-0 spurt, bookended by Anderson’s block and transition 3-pointer off the feed from Evans.

“To just get things rolling offensively at the beginning of the game, it’s always huge,” Harris said. “Momentum-wise, I think that carried on for the rest of the half and into the second half.”

The near-constant screams of the fans in attendance faded in the final minutes, but not because of a lull in the home team’s play. Seminole redshirt junior forward Terrance Shannon was removed by a stretcher after an suffering a serious neck injury. He spent Saturday night at the University Hospital.

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results. What rendered that particular sequence so illuminating, however, was that it highlighted the often-unheeded correlation between suffocating defensive play and scoring points — a correlation Virginia must exploit to ascend the ACC standings.

Even before Saturday, Bennett’s squad had established itself as a defensive juggernaut. The Cavaliers have yielded 50.6 points per contest, trailing only the Lumberjacks of Stephen F. Austin nationwide, and they have stifled opponents by forcing contested outside shots and playing at a glacially slow pace to limit possessions. Virginia ratcheted up the intensity Saturday, forcing 12 Florida State turnovers in the first half alone and holding its opponents to one-for-15 from 3-point range overall. And though the Seminoles handled the ball more sloppily than Brett Favre handles retirements, Bennett and company deserve recognition for their most relentless and

thorough defensive showing of the season.

Stunning displays from Evans and Anderson — on that late first-half exchange and throughout the game — helped Virginia parlay its smothering D into enough offensive output to ensure victory. Looking sprightlier than he has all season on his broken-ish right foot, Evans routinely weaved down the court off Florida State misses and turnovers and found open teammates on the perimeter. Said teammates shot seven-of-nine from beyond the arc in that pulsating first 20 minutes, with junior guard Joe Harris hitting three-of-four mostly wide open looks and finishing with a game-high 17 points overall. And Anderson played with a swagger we had not yet seen this season, a reckless abandon that enabled him to block a giant on one end and drain a 3 on the other.

Admittedly, 13 fast break points and 50 percent field goal shooting are somewhat anomalous for a Bennett-coached team: The second period, in which the Cav-

aliers attempted seven fewer shots and mustered no transition points, is more indicative of a Virginia team that has averaged an ACC-low 53.2 points per game in conference play. Yet Saturday’s tour-de-force display, far from an aberration, was the manifestation of a cycle that exists exclusively in basketball: that in which strong defense leads to prolific offense, which subsequently re-energizes the defense. What fans regard as separate aspects of basketball, in fact, run most smoothly when they build off each other. When a team can master that harmony, as Virginia did Saturday, basketball becomes less grueling sport and more soaring symphony. Anderson’s block and 3-pointer was simply the crescendo an eager, exhilarated crowd was expecting.

If that first “defining” moment was musical in quality, the second brought the record to a screeching halt. Technically, Florida State’s Terrence Shannon lay motionless for more than 10 minutes real time after injuring

his neck in a collision with Nolte’s hip with about four minutes to go in the contest. But the fearful uncertainty about what exactly had happened to Shannon, on the heels of a week in which sports stories defied all reason or reality, suspended spectators in one tense, guilt-ridden moment. Injuries such as Shannon’s scare us not only because of the threat to the player’s welfare but also because they remind us that sport, despite its theatrical bent, stubbornly exists in the real world. In a climate where iconic cyclists try to control their own narratives and star football players milk publicity from relationships no more authentic than my fifth-grade fling with Hermione Granger, it’s easy to equate sports to some pseudo-fictional narrative, a superhero movie we can watch unfold with our own eyes and in which we can even participate. This blend of realism and narrative fuels sports’ appeal, rendering them a drama with themes we can apply to our own lives. It also means, though

wins and losses are arbitrary, real consequences affect the sports world, too.

Shannon, thankfully, suffered only a neck sprain — his immobility on the court stemmed from medical experts’ caution rather than loss of consciousness of works. Because of those 10 fretful minutes, however, what would have merely constituted a resounding Virginia triumph became a testament to sports’ dual nature: as both compelling narrative and real experience. And so Virginia’s men’s basketball team has two lessons to draw from its most important game of the season, two moments to contemplate in the quest for a second consecutive NCAA tournament berth. The first involves turning basketball into art; the second, recognizing sports as an art necessarily confined by reality. Whether these moments will ultimately define the remainder of the 2013 season, like the exact number of licks required to reach the Tootsie Roll, is anyone’s guess.

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ACC) erased the memory of the Hurricanes’ (13-5, 4-3 ACC) win two weeks ago.

“They knew that this could be a signature win for us,” coach Joanne Boyle said. “I thought they did a really great job of taking care of the ball, executing and playing great defense.”

The Cavaliers asserted their dominance from the beginning, jumping out to a 16-6 lead on three early 3-pointers. Adept passing from Crosby and junior guard Kelsey Wolfe took advantage of holes in Miami’s defense.

“I thought they came out really sharp,” Miami coach Katie Meier said. “They did a

couple of things on offense that were different from their last game. They saw matchups that they could exploit and totally exploited them.”

On both sides of the ball, it became clear early on that Virginia would control the contest. The Cavalier defense shut down Miami on the perimeter, allowing just 2 points outside the paint in the game’s first 10 minutes. Miami had shot 30 percent from 3-point range going into the game but struggled to find shots against Virginia, going just 1-for-7 from beyond the arc in the first half.

The Cavaliers’ defense created opportunities on which the offense was able to capitalize,

gaining 21 points from turnovers. With Crosby at point, the team seemed to find whatever openings they needed in the Hurricane defense, and the game was one of the most comprehensive performances Virginia has put together this year. Franklin found her stroke from three, going 3-for-3 and notching 17 points, and senior forward Telia McCall was strong in the paint, scoring 13 points and grabbing 8 rebounds.

“I love it when I look down and I see four of our players in double figures, because there’s a lot of balance,” Boyle said. “I thought [Ataira Franklin] had a really good shooting night, and Kelsey. In different parts of the game, different people were

stepping up. The first half felt like everything was going in.”

Miami proved resilient, however. The Hurricanes fought back throughout the second half, even cutting the lead to five with just five minutes to play, prompting Boyle to call a timeout.

“I told them, ‘We’ve been here before, what are you going to do, what do you want to be as a team?’” Boyle said. “They went out and they really did a great job. Those were times when a year ago, or even a couple of weeks ago, we would have hung our heads, and we didn’t. Playing that last five minutes the way we did, I was really proud of them.”

Crosby hit Wolfe for a layup

and drained a 3-pointer of her own to bring the lead back to 10 points. Virginia never looked back, finishing the game off from the free-throw line down the stretch. For the Cavaliers, it was an impressive rebound from a 58-52 loss earlier in the season to the same Miami team. More than vengeance, the win gave Virginia momentum during the perpetually grueling ACC schedule.

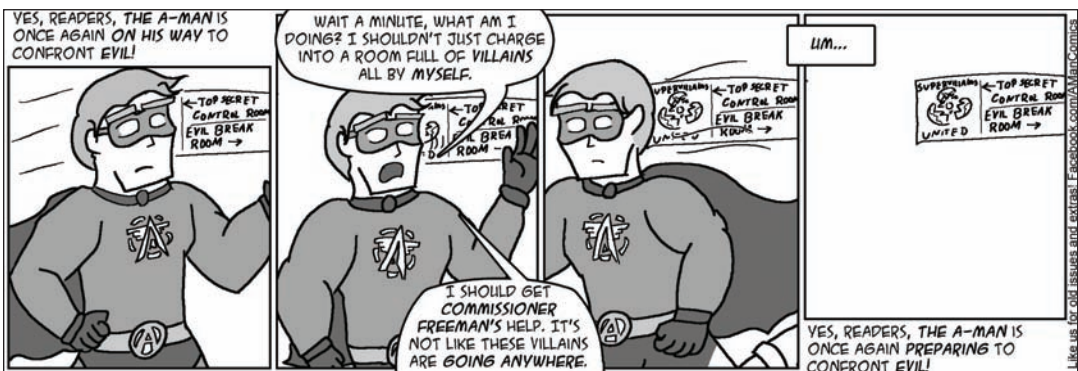
“For what we said we are trying to do this year, we can’t afford to go 0-2 against any team,” Franklin said. “I think we took that [North Carolina] game to heart, and then we let it go and came out trying to be that team we were the three games before that.”



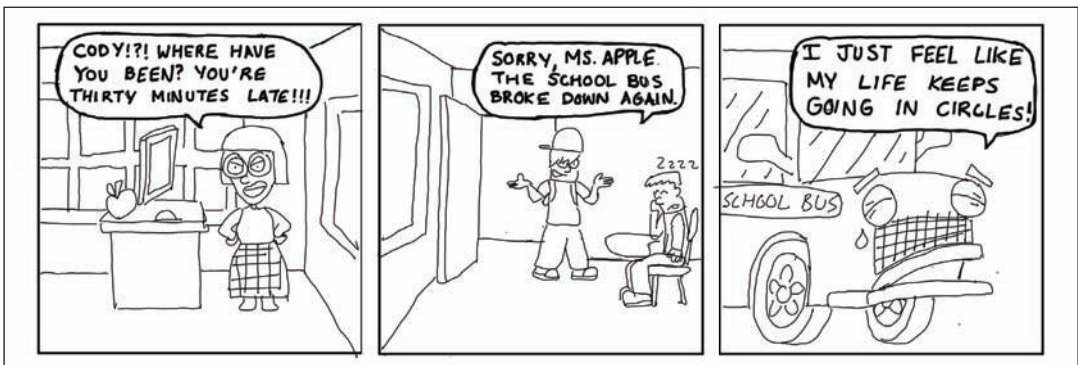
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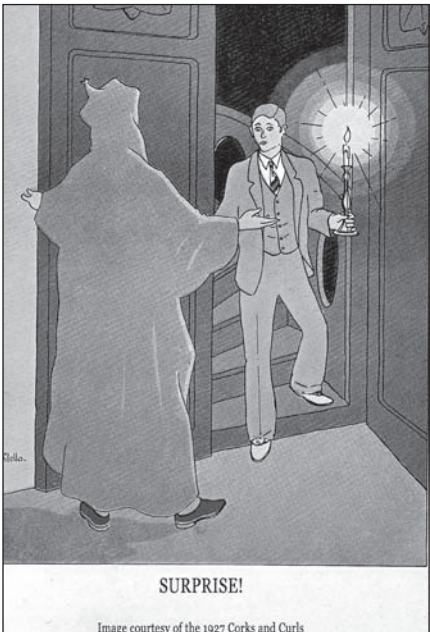
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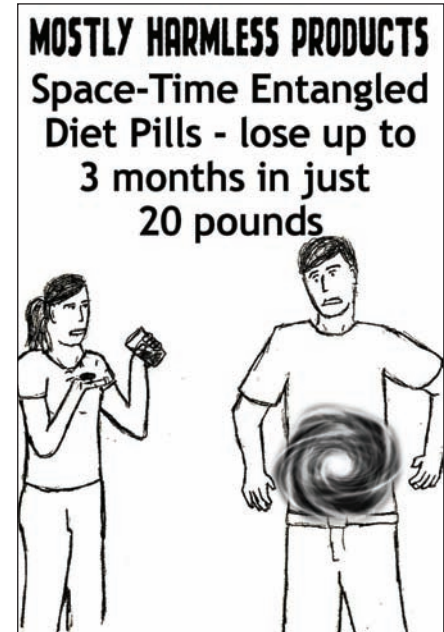
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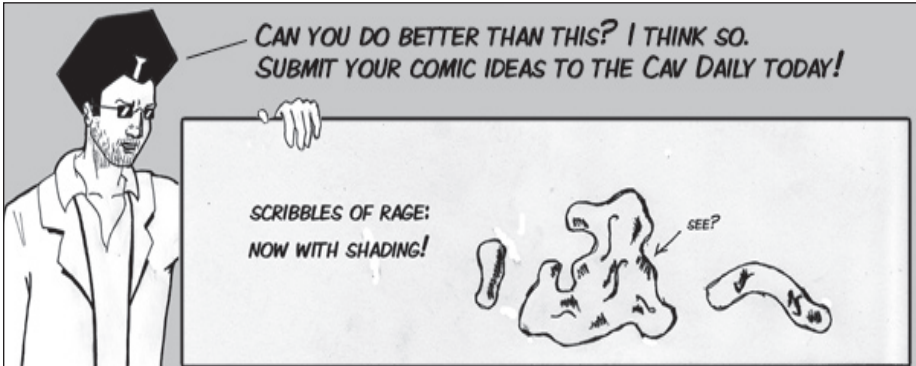
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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll note the level of discomfort you feel around certain people. Maybe this is a good thing. If you're very comfortable running with the wolves, there's a good chance that you're a wolf, too.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Give some thought to your preferences. If you do as you would prefer, instead of jumping to the social calling of the moment, you'll go to bed with a contented smile on your face.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Be skeptical of aggressive agendas. Trying to change too much too fast causes a loss of control. In a healthy environment, there is a steady and predictable growth pattern.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Sometimes you are the buffer between those two strong-willed people you know. Other times, you're the prize they fight for. When they compete for you, run!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Trust yourself. Sure, you haven't always done what you wanted to do. But there are more chances. If you can start, you can start over. If you can finish one project, you can finish another.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even the most solid things you know can drift from time to time. Continental plates have a way of colliding. Consider putting your faith in something that is not so solid -- something you can't see at all.

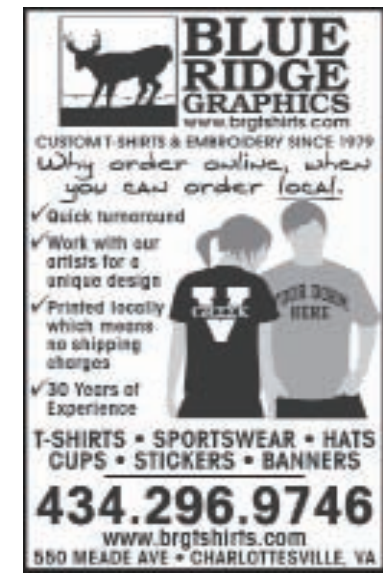
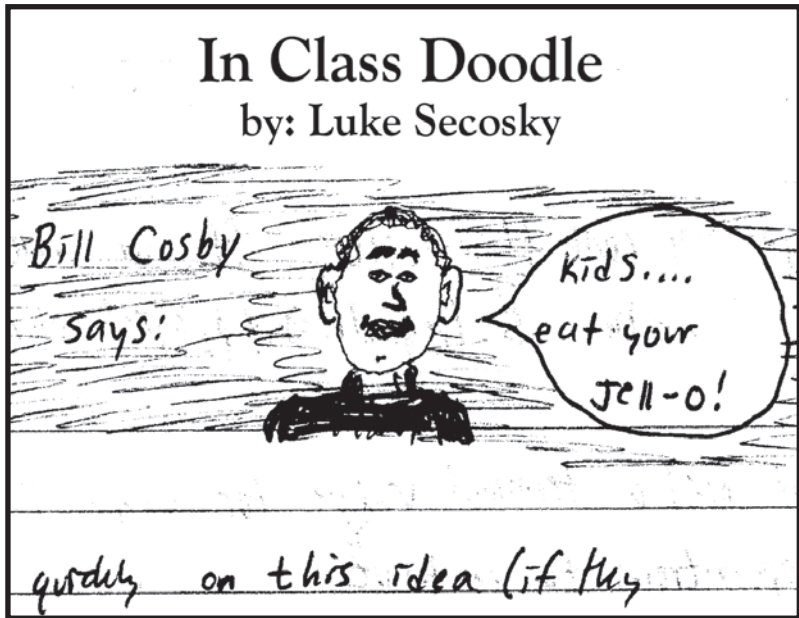
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your mouth is an inventor. You'll cause a thrill with what you say. You always could tell a good story. Just be sure people know, sooner rather than later, that you're having fun with fiction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To save the best for last is an amateur move at this point. The one who saves the best for last is often too full of mediocrity to really enjoy a sublime experience.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll use silence effectively. You'll use it to calm down, or to make a point. You'll use it to convey your love, anger, reverence, annoyance or tenderness.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Even though you often serve those you love, loving someone and serving them is not the same thing. You'd do well to pull back. There's a point in which you're better off letting them serve themselves.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 20). You'll love how your life entwines with another. You and a partner will be so connected in February, you'll experience telepathy. The professional worries you've had are solved with training and extra hours of focus in March. You'll start a special fund and use it to better your lifestyle in June. October is best for travel. Aries and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 49, 14, 3 and 7.



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ACROSS

1 Washer/dryer brand

6 Bygone despot

10 Cans

14 Not conceal

15 Adolescent breakout

16 Sister of Rachel

17 Place to see a Ferris wheel

19 Call question

20 Fifth-century invader

21 Period for R&R

23 Meeting of the minds?

25 "After ____"

26 1950s runner's inits.

27 Hold ____ (keep)

31 Give a good whippin'

35 Super Giant

38 Dorm assignment

37 Composer Shostakovich

41 Some pancakes

42 Barnyard cackler

44 Online sales

45 Pool choice

47 W.W. I soldier

49 "But is it ____?"

50 "All right!"

51 "Corno ____?"

52 Distinctive parts of a Boston accent

55 Electrolysis particle

57 Filmmaker Jean-Godard

59 You can plan on it

62 Excite

67 One who breaks a court oath

68 Diamond feat ... and a hint to 17-, 21-, 35-, 47- and 59-Across

70 In that case

71 Memo starter

72 Curt summons

73 Curmudgeonly cries

74 Clears

75 Classic poem that begins "I think that I shall never see"

DOWN

1 ____ Romeo

2 Vegetarian's no-no

3 Bickering

4 "Me neither"

5 Matter of degree?

6 "The ____ of Steve," 2000 film

7 Gulf war missile

8 Bug

9 ____ City, California locale named for local flora

10 Came down

11 City near Dayton

12 Wonderland cake instruction

13 Some brake parts

18 Dreaded one?

22 Tree that's the source of mace

24 What 6-Down means

27 Spheres

28 Court plea, briefly

29 Trouble's partner

30 All, to Augustus

32 Clinging, say

34 Church offering

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36 What a leafstalk leads to

38 Keep ____ on (watch)

39 Upbraodingly funny sort

40 The N.H.L.'s Kovalchuk

43 "O Come, All Ye Faithful," e.g.

46 Pinch-hit (for)

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58 Colgate rival

60 Winged Greek god

61 Composer Weill

69 Wanna ____

63 It can be found under TUV

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66 Potato's multitude

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Let's face it, we're all annoyed by the hassle of University construction, but we were excited to see if University Dining could really serve up something edible after its culinary overhaul. University Dining has recently undergone several changes, from constructing a temporary dining tent, which was disassembled a bit too quickly to seem safe, to transforming Newcomb into an alleged top-tier dining hall. But perhaps its most exciting new option is serving up food In the Nood.

We feared University Dining would disappoint, fooling us with its clever puns and extensive carb offerings. But this new feature provides a variety of tasty options for a student tired of grilled cheese and pizza. Offering Asian, Italian and American cuisine all in one convenient location, In the Nood is a prime location for a cultural foodie on a college budget.

Compared to other University Dining facilities, this swanky cafe is pricier than many other on-Grounds options. But considering the quality of the food and experience, the meals are reasonably priced for students saving for their liquid diet. All noodle dishes and salads offer two portion sizes to satisfy any appetite. Though students cannot substitute dining hall swipes for

meals, In the Nood accepts Cav Advantage and Plus Dollars.

Don't try to dine here on the weekends, as you'll be left fully clothed and dissatisfied. You can come get lucky from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday.

As for a meal, it was difficult to choose, but Caroline finally decided on the fresh pappardelle with chicken, and peanut butter cheesecake served in a waffle cone. The pappardelle included broccoli, pine nuts and mushrooms for an interesting variety of flavors. The pasta seemed to be coated in butter and was well-seasoned.

Abbi's pad thai was sweeter than most comparable dishes from local Asian restaurants. The portion size was larger than expected — the half size would have been a full meal. The chocolate cheesecake was soft and good enough to impress even someone with taste buds generally unsatisfied by dessert.

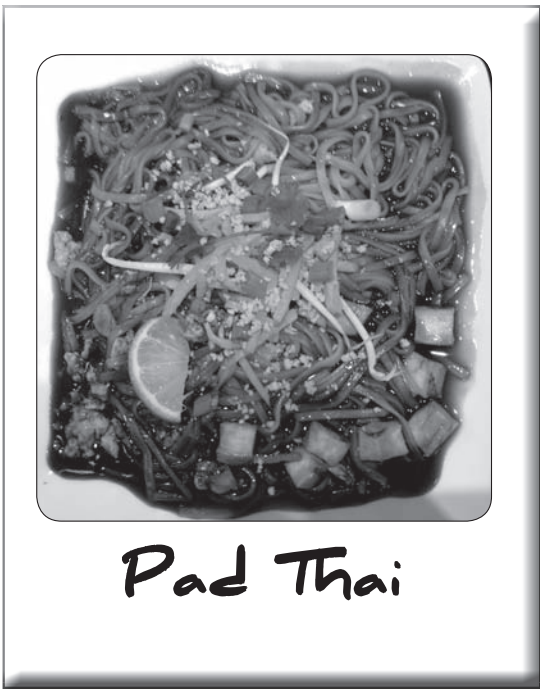
Other options include steamed mussel vermicelli, lobster mac and cheese and peanut red curry with cellophane noodles, which cannot be found on the Corner nor could be offered at such reasonable prices at other Charlottesville restaurants. It even offers a gluten-free potato "pasta" and the option to get any dish with or without meat. If you're feeling fancy, you could assemble a three — or even five? — course meal by choosing an appetizer, soup or salad, a main entree and treating yourself to dessert.

The food came quickly and steaming hot, fitting for a restaurant called "In the Nood." The staff appears friendly, knowledgeable and professional. The high quality of the experience was increased by staff members collecting empty plates and striking up conversation with customers, inquiring about how they enjoyed their meals.

A refreshing change from other small on-Grounds dining facilities, In the Nood is spacious, modern and clean. With an air of sophistication enhanced by classy jazz music, the cafe could easily be pictured in a thriving, urban area. A variety of seating options can accommodate large or small groups or even solo foodies. You'll never find it completely bare, as it has recently become a hot spot for

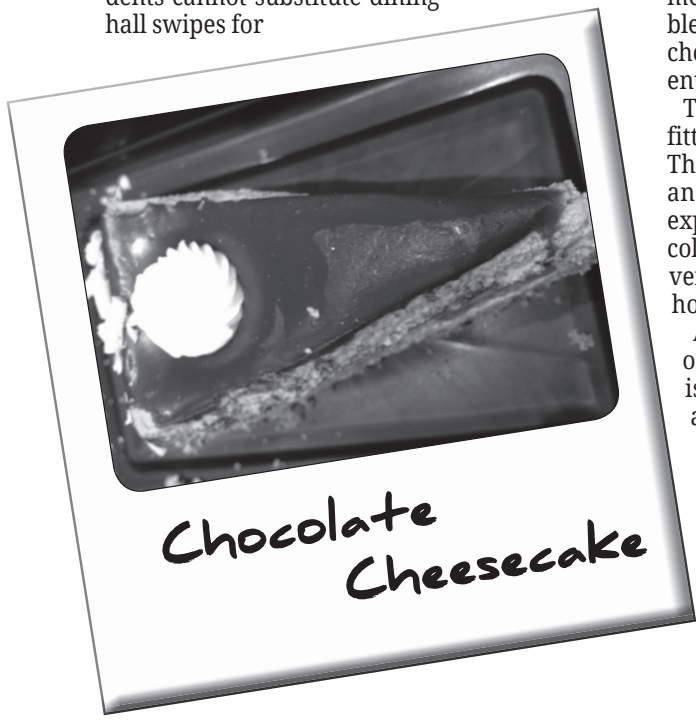
Stripping away in Newcomb: In the Nood

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students passing by.

As it is more sophisticated and upscale, this seems like the perfect date place for first years lacking game and a car. No need to swipe your date into the new Newcomb — save those swipes for brunch the next morning with your bros. Spending Plus Dollars here might not be as impressive as real money, but it's still probably enough to get you that date function invite. If you're going to take your date somewhere on Grounds, make it In the Nood. Who knows: maybe it'll be foreshadowing for after your date?



Moving Forward

The remnants of the person I became studying abroad are permeating my life back in Charlottesville, and I've never been so excited. As I write this article, it's been five days since I came back to town.

I waited until

Breaking Barriers



VALERIE CLEMENS

Sunday — the last possible evening — to come back to school. It was dark outside as I hauled my bed upstairs into my new apartment room. My dad hammered and screwed, putting my bed and dresser

together. He kissed me and said good-bye, and all the while I sat on my floor texting school friends I was yearning to see.

One of my girlfriends came over and we talked our hearts out as I dolefully unpacked some clothes into empty drawers. I didn't want to move in. I didn't want to call this new place home. It was still too soon. The party moved onto my porch and before I knew it I was outside smoking and drink-

ing with three or four friends. I left my apartment to go to a friend's house, and the next time I checked the clock it was 4 a.m. and I was crawling into bed. I was exhausted and drunk and had class in five hours.

The next morning I looked in the mirror and realized what I was trying to avoid. Sometimes it takes a total absence of something before you can realize what it is you're trying to see. What is darkness but the

absence of light? I see my same self, with the absence of what I had been expecting. Nothing had changed. There I was, and I was not going anywhere. I was still the same person I was last night and last week and last semester, and I wasn't going to lose all the progress I've made.

I was prolonging sleep last night because it marked the official end to my winter break,

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Drive Me Crazy

Charlottesville is known for a lot of things: U.Va., of course; all things Thomas Jefferson; Bodo's — once I met someone in New York City who named their dog after Bodo's because it's that good — and a lot of preppy clothing. But Charlottesville is definitely not known for having good drivers.

I absolutely hate driving in Charlottesville. So do most people I know. This is saying a lot, as I hail from northern Virginia, also known as the land of the aggressive drivers. I almost died during driver's education in the 10th grade when someone else in my car nearly drove us into the median on the Capitol Beltway during rush hour. I even spent

last summer in New York, where most native adults have never operated a motorized vehicle and most cab drivers act as though they are driving in a video game and taking out a halal cart gives them bonus points. Yet the worst drivers I have ever encountered are here, in my beloved college town.

Drivers in Charlottesville are automatically at a disadvantage when it comes to driving well because the roads here make no sense. Whatever engineer designed the S-curve on Wertland Street clearly graduated from Virginia Tech, because that is an accident

Urban Legends



KATIE URBAN

waiting to happen. Do a drive-way, a parking lot, a side street and Wertland Street itself really need to form a letter? A four-way stop would have made so much more sense, and the law clearly presents a course of action for such an intersection. Whenever I turn into my apartment parking lot from the S-curve, my natural inclination is to close my eyes because that seems easier than dealing with the madness. Then I realize driving with my eyes closed is about as safe as the S-curve itself, so usually I resort to cursing instead.

On the roads with normal intersections, cars often line both sides of the street, making nearly every turn a blind turn. To make matters worse, it seems to be an unwritten rule that the largest, most obnoxious SUVs have to be parked closest to the intersection. And

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Opportunity Cost

If there is one valuable thing about second semester fourth year — besides being able to fill an entire Mellow Mushroom pint night card in one sitting — it is the opportunity for reflection. Actually, "opportunity" represents far too weak of a word to effectively communicate the aggressive, pervasive and inescapable nature of this reflection. Even if I wanted to live this semester in blissful apathy and ignorance, never looking ahead or behind until the jading bubble of college life finally disintegrates, I could not. Alongside this almost agonizing need for reflection, for planning, for nostalgia, for goal-setting — "OK guys, we have to try a new restaurant in Charlottesville every Friday, if we have any minute of spare

time we must go touch every blade of grass on the Lawn, and we must check off all 113 things to do at least 113 times" — I realize that I just want to sit in the passenger's seat again.

Since my second year I have been in drive. Always setting plans in motion, trudging up hills — literally, this place is so excruciatingly hilly — checking off one list and immediately jotting down another. Not only always needing to stay afloat but also always needing to swim the best freestyle of my life to keep up with the day-to-day record-setting pace of this place. Flying to Portland, driving to New Orleans, switching from the



ELIZABETH STONEHILL

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thus marking the official end of my semester in France. According to the calendar and clock, I was going to regress to the person I'd been at U.Va. before I went to France. Falling into my old habits, remembering the swing of things, stressing out about school all the time and missing out on some of the greatest aspects of college life. I was afraid of starting my 5000-, 4000- and three 3000-level classes with only upper-classmen, fearing they would

allow my anxiety over schoolwork to govern my life, like it did before. In France, life was about appreciating another country, culture and people. The schoolwork was trivial, easy and didn't count for much, so nobody ever hesitated when it came to restaurant outings, train and bike rides, window shopping and drinking a little too much on the weekends. My winter break followed quickly after, and I was thrust into Christmas, into giant family gatherings, with two

new nieces included. Then came seeing friends and an ex-boyfriend, post-holiday gift shopping and unpacking. A week in New York came and passed. I went out and partied too much with my best friend there, who I hadn't seen since July. The night before coming to U.Va, I stopped at James Madison University for the night to celebrate a friend's birthday, gossiping and cuddling with best friends from home until 4 p.m. The past six months of my life had been one giant life, love and party cycle, and I was

afraid of losing that lifestyle when I drove into Charlottesville later that day. Maybe it is cliché, and in your eyes it is just study abroad, but for me it's personal. Maybe you don't or can't understand, and I'm writing this for myself, reflecting. Maybe you won't even see the changes in me and will continue to treat me and view me as the same way you did before. But I don't care. My perception of myself and my role at this university have changed. I'm not here to get straight A's or write thesis

papers or impress professors or even lead my group in an assignment. I'll never be that person, so I'm going to accept who it is I really am, like I did in France. I'm going to write, cry, eat, play, drink, sleep, run and smoke when I want. I'll focus on the people who make me happy and embrace the qualities that other people love me for. This semester, this year, and this life, I will be Valerie.

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Urban | Charlottesville drivers could use some education

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let's be realistic: Most people near Grounds are refining their minds — or their drinking skills, depending on the day — not their parallel parking skills. Even when you are just trying to simply drive in a straight line down 14th Street, you practically have to drive in the middle of the road to avoid taking out someone's side view mirror. If I wanted to flirt with danger on the roads, I would dig out my Game Boy and play Frogger. Things don't get much better when you venture farther away

from Grounds. Since I work right off the Downtown Mall, I often find myself parallel parking on the side streets around Court Square. At least, that's where I would like to find myself parking. I often can't park there because people feel the need to leave an awkwardly large amount of space between their car and the car in front of them. I promise, you don't need four feet of space to exit a parallel parking space. And if you do, you probably need to get your depth perception checked by your eye doctor. Merging seems to be a novel concept for most drivers here. I

know because I've almost been sideswiped more times that I can count and actually was sideswiped right near where the 250 Bypass merges with 29 North — during finals week, of course. It doesn't get much better once 29 North goes down to two lanes right after you pass Wal-Mart because people wait until the absolute last minute to merge. Here's a tip for Charlottesville drivers everywhere: Always check your blind spots before you change lanes. It's really that simple. Everyone else: Get your horns ready, because if a merge is involved, you're probably going to need

to use them. As I said earlier, I'm from northern Virginia, where speed limits are suggestions. A yellow light generally means five more cars can get through and a red light seems to mean two more cars can go. I realize these are not ubiquitous driving practices, but I also didn't realize that driving five miles under the speed limit was. Is it just me, or do most people driving on Route 29 seem to hang out around 40 miles per hour? Come on, people. The speed limit is 45 miles per hour and I'm trying to get to Target so I can buy more things than I

originally intended to, so really, let's all mutually agreed to speed a little bit. Obviously, I do not expect my 800-word manifesto about the poor state of driving in the Charlottesville area to improve anyone's driving abilities. So instead, I offer you the advice my mom gave me when I first started driving nearly seven years ago: "Always look out for the other guy — they're the stupid driver." Katie's column runs biweekly Tuesdays. She can be reached at k.urban@cavalierdaily.com.

Stonehill | Relaxation, reflection calm fourth year's nerves

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Jubilee to the Picadilly underground line. Nothing seems worse to me than uninspired stagnation, but I wonder where all this movement has taken me. Surely not back to square one. No, of course not ... right? Movement means progress. But why do I feel like I am more lost now than I was as an immature 18-year-old? It is because college forces you all at once to take the steering wheel, drive with the pedal to the medal for as long as this energy lasts, decipher an intricate and extensive road map, know your destination, all the while blasting Macklemore in an attempt to bolster your cool-song repertoire. You drive

through the night, weaving between dusk and dawn, changing lanes from right to wrong and hopefully back again. Rest stops, few and far between, help you recover for a crucial albeit mocking minute. How can I justify the trip when I feel like I have spent as much time stalled at the side of the road as I have driving full speed ahead without a glance of trepidation? The best part about starting college is you do not have to take on this driving responsibility — yet. For the sake of the metaphor, let us pretend this is not just a consequence of the rule banning first years from having cars. Role models, for a few short years, can drive you around or at least highlight clear direc-

tions on that persnickety college map. But then you become the role model. Now, you are still balancing everything at once, but you also have loud, demanding, "are we there yet?" passengers in the back seat. This notion baffles me more than anything. How the hell am I a role model if I can barely get from park to drive? Do people seriously look up to me? Do these people know that in terms of finances, my parents practically wipe my ass? Or that I am just as lost as the next person, but maybe do a better job of feigning direction? Although, I guess I can at least direct people away from the same potholes over which I have bumbled. I also have never gotten a speeding ticket, so I at

least have a proven record of safety. Maybe, in the end, I am not the worst role model. I still question where this all leaves me and how to come to terms with the association between movement and progress. I have been in motion this whole time, but I cannot equate it to progress. Instead, I think the way to experience and reflect about college — especially when your fourth year makes these concepts into expectations — is to heed T.S. Eliot's advice. Did I ever mention that I was an English major? At the end of his poem "The Wasteland," Eliot ostensibly describes life that could thrive if only for water. The narrator, though, declares: "These fragments I have shored

against my ruins." Fragments. They are the key to college. We cannot think of this experience in narrative form, as we tend to do in such a calendar-oriented environment. Instead, this experience matters less for the road trip and more for the glances in every mirror. College should be an experience of collage or pastiche. Thinking of it as a linear progression will only sidetrack us. Did this make any sense? Eh, probably not. But it at least helped me to be more relaxed behind the wheel. Elizabeth's column runs biweekly Tuesdays. She can be reached at e.stonehill@cavalierdaily.com.

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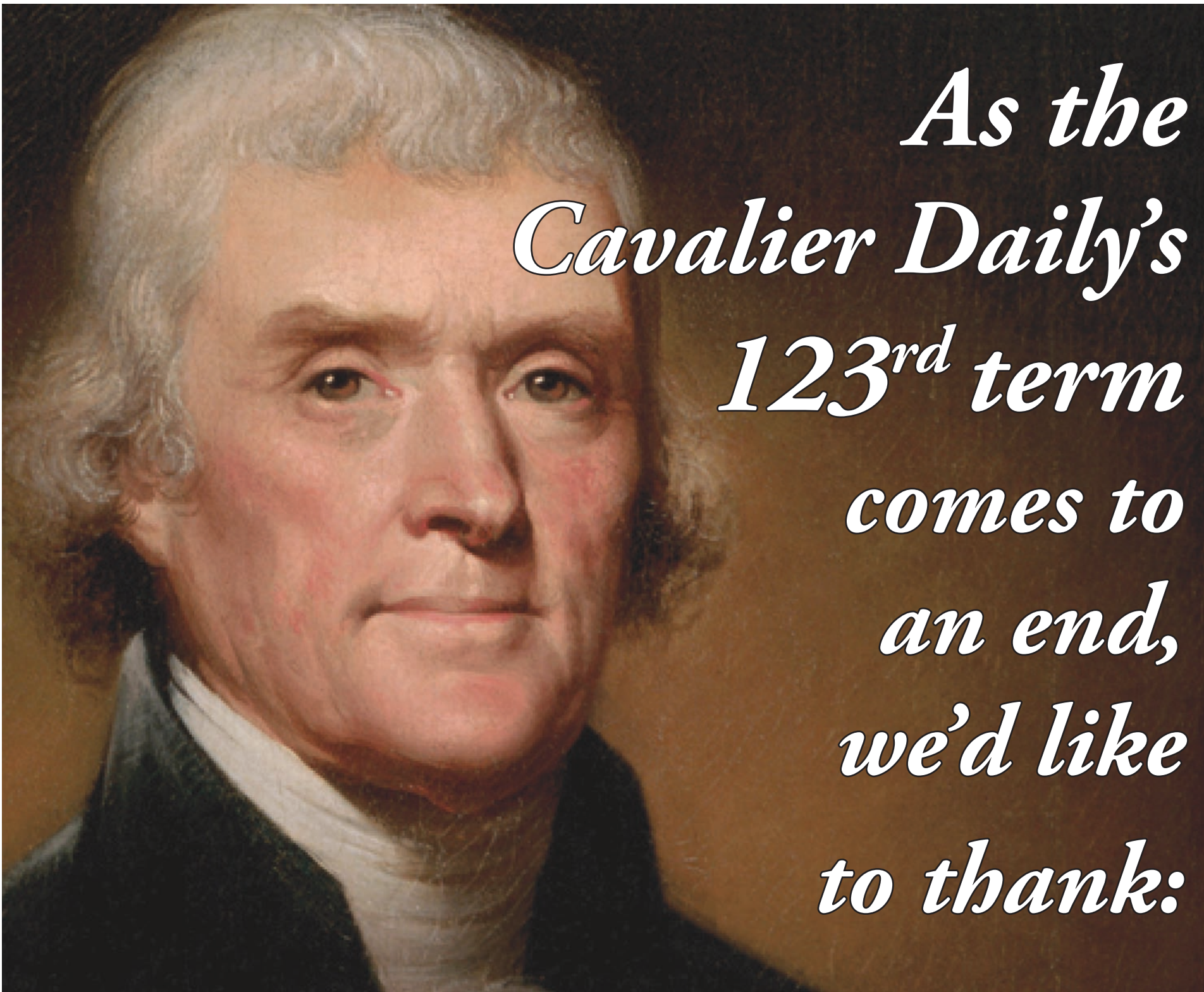
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