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The University of Alabama endured a barrage of national criticism after multiple news sources reported in the past two weeks that there is an alarming lack of racial diversity within the school's popular sororities. When considering whether this is an issue here at the University, it depends on who you ask.

Alabama's newspaper, the "Crimson White," reported that many members of the school's Greek system are consciously trying to prevent racial integration within exclusively white sororities. An article noted that in 2013, the alumni or advisors of Alpha

Gamma Delta, Delta Delta Delta, Chi Omega, Pi Beta Phi and possibly others, intervened remove a black student from consideration during the formal recruitment process, despite the fact that the students were highly qualified for bids. Since the article's publishing, Alabama has been taken to task for its heavily segregated sororities.

But Maurice Apprey, dean of African-American Affairs at the University, said segregated sororities are not unique to Alabama.

He said the problem is simply "more explicit" at Alabama, and thus, it is easier to condemn that university's Greek system and blindly assume that such race issues do not exist elsewhere. However, he went on to say that "in other parts of the

country, [racism] is more subtle and only selectively reported."

Until a few days ago, Alabama student Carla Ferguson remained the only African-American to have ever pledged one of the school's Panhellenic sorority since the school was integrated



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50 years ago. Ferguson became the first black member of a traditionally white sorority when she accepted a bid to Gamma Phi Beta in 2003. This week, in response to allegations that they discriminate against minori-

ties, Alabama's sorority leaders rushed to amend their segregated Greek system, accepting multiple African-American pledges last Friday.

Mimi Montgomery, a fourth-year College student and rush chair of sorority Delta Delta Delta (Tri Delta) here at the University, said the University's sororities exhibit more racial diversity than those at Alabama.

"Within my chapter alone, there is a lot of diversity," she said. "We have friends [in Tri Delta] from Turkey and the Dominican Republic, for example." Molly Gardner, public relations chair of the Inter-Sorority Council, provided a similar report, but could not provide data to support those claims.

"The Inter-Sorority Council does not have a question on the registration form that includes race and/or ethnicity," she said.

"This is not something that [our computer management system] or we keep track of ... We do not collect this information because chapters do not consider this a factor."

Many African-American students decline invitations to ISC sororities, Apprey said.

"Over the last 32 years, black students have been selectively recruited to join white fraternities and sororities," he said. "In any case, class or light skin complexion or perception of pedigree, is invariably implicated in who is known to be invited to join."

If racial segregation does in fact exist here — whether consciously or subconsciously — there is an ongoing effort to eliminate it entirely.

"We have friends from all over — all different cultural backgrounds — and we appreciate the varied experiences and diverse opinions different people can bring," Montgomery said.







# N news

## EDUCATION POLICY: AWARDS, NEW MAJORS, RENAMED PROFESSORSHIPS

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The Board of Visitors Education Policy Committee met Thursday to approve the establishment of a new Thomas Jefferson Medal, the renaming of a professorship and a new major in the Education School.

The first item of business was the approval of the Jefferson Medal in Global Innovation. The University currently awards three Jefferson Medals each year that are given to “recognize the achievements of those who embrace endeavors in which Jefferson excelled and held in high regard,” according to the meeting’s agenda. The global innovation medal will be offered through the Darden School.

“This makes an important statement about the values of the University of Virginia and Thomas Jefferson,” Darden Dean Robert Bruner said. “The medal is consistent with the mission of the University and the Darden School.”

Current Jefferson Medals exist for achievement in Law, Architecture and Citizen Leadership, and serve as the University’s alternative to honorary degrees.

The committee then turned to approving a Youth and Social Innovation major. The degree, offered by the Education School as a Bachelors of Science in Education, seeks to prepare students to deal with the social and developmental challenges youth face and how to create programs and policies to deal with the challenges.

“We’ve done a considerable amount of research in terms of career pathways involved with this degree,” Education School Dean Robert Pianta said. “We found strong evidence that there would be a large job portfolio for these students.”

The final action item passed by the committee was a change in the name of six Engineering and Commerce professorships to the “Rolls-Royce Commonwealth Professorships.” The current Commerce professorships have “Commonwealth” in the name and the Engineering professorships have “Rolls-Royce” in the name, but all six are sponsored by Rolls-Royce in cooperation with the Commonwealth of Virginia.

“We want the title to really announce that this is a partnership between the Commonwealth and Rolls-Royce,” Provost John Simon said.

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## FINANCE: BUILDING RENOVATION, ENDOWMENT GROWTH, FACULTY SALARY INCREASES

The Board of Visitors Finance Committee discussed merit-based increases of faculty salaries and the uses of an empty Rugby Road office building during its meeting Friday morning.

The committee discussed a proposed renovation of the Rugby Road Administrative Building, which is part of an initiative to free up more medical clinical space. Colette Sheehy, vice president for management and budget, said the 70,000 square feet of space available would continue to deteriorate without University action.

“This is an asset that has sat for 10 years,” Sheehy said. “We’d like to make it productive again and prevent further deterioration.”

Committee Vice Chair John Griffin noted the building’s cen-

tral location and asked whether the space could be used for more student-focused activities. “Every student walks by there, it’s right next to Beta Bridge,” Griffin said.

Hogan said he hoped to get the project under way and have the committee consider the best strategic use of the space later on in the process.

The committee also discussed more general aspects of the University’s finances. Lawrence Kochard, chief executive officer and chief investment officer of the Investment Management Company reported that the University’s \$5-billion endowment generated a 13.4 percent return.

In addition, Melody Bianchetto, associate vice president for finance, said the Academic Division, which includes most of the University but not the Medical Center, saw a \$471 million increase in net assets with only a 1.6 percent increase in expenses.

**Jiaer Zhuang**  
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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: NEW-MEMBER ELECTIONS

The Board of Visitors convened in the Rotunda Board Room Thursday to elect the Executive Committee for the current academic year.

The committee, composed of six members, including the Rector, the Vice Rector and four elected members, convenes in between full board meetings meetings as necessary.

The board approved University Rector George Martin as committee chair and Vice Rector William Goodwin Jr. as the

Vice Chair. The four elected committee members include Victoria Harker, Stephen Long, Timothy Robertson and Linwood Rose.

The board also approved an amendment for the addition of a seventh member to the committee. The amendment will be sent to the General Assembly for final approval.

“Seven obviously is an odd number, which means ... you will never have a tie,” Martin said.

The seventh member will be Edward Miller once the amendment is passed, but he will currently sit on as a non-voting member.

# THE B O V

# Board tackles faculty recruitment, research, student experience

*Sullivan, faculty present three strategies to Board of Visitors, hope to present finalized 15-point strategic plan during November meeting*

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Assistant Managing Editor

During the Board of Visitors' meetings last Thursday and Friday, faculty members described three strategies of the University's 15-part

ment for about a year.

In a meeting on Friday held with the full board, University President Teresa Sullivan stressed that the plan was not made to solve any specific problems, but is rather "a plan to fortify and further distinguish what is already one of the strongest, best managed, most financially stable, and

the tools they need to become global leaders in their fields and compete for grant money. Vice President for Research Tom Skalak said the revised strategy would allow University faculty to conduct the research they want to.

"We will know if we've succeeded if in three to five years from now we

watch the trends. We need to know what [the National Institute of Science] is funding."

Board members also heard about a strategy entitled High-Impact Educational Experience. This strategy will focus on creating experiences for students — in the form of research, capstone projects, trips or intern-

faculty on a rolling basis as opposed to hiring in waves and waiting for candidates to apply themselves.

Nursing School Dean Dorrie Fontaine emphasized the importance of ongoing faculty recruitment.

"We want to leave episodic recruitment," Fontaine said. "What this really is is courtship — I've been told



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strategic plan — Research Infrastructure and Services, High-impact Educational Experiences and Continuous Active Recruiting of faculty.

Board members had been briefed on three other strategies included in the plan during their August retreat, and the final product is set to be presented at the November board meeting.

The strategic plan will act as a roadmap for the University's future, laying out specific goals aimed at directing the University toward excellence. The plan has been in develop-

ment for about a year.

Board member Frank Atkinson, a co-chair of the Special Committee on Strategic Planning, said the plan will always be evolving, even when the final version is presented to the Board.

"The process is never complete," Atkinson said. "November will be a milestone, but not the end of the process."

The Board also heard about a strategy entitled Research Infrastructure and Services. The strategy seeks to give University researchers

have created an environment that allows our faculty and students to be the most competitive and collaborative they can [and] create the best research they can," Skalak said.

Board member Edward Miller challenged University administrators about the issue of grant amounts, wanting to make sure this strategy included the right kind of investment.

"Top institutions [are] getting grant dollars, and we're not," he said. "What is impeding researchers in getting grants? ... We need to know that grants are increasing. We need to

ships among other things — that are both memorable and beneficial to job preparation.

"Increasing opportunities will require having faculty share expertise with students, engaging students in their own scholarly research and travelling with students to explore teaching and research in an international setting," said Maurie McInnis, the vice provost for academic affairs.

One of the strategies presented to the Board was called Continuous Active Recruitment of Faculty. Through this strategy, the University will seek

to stop calling it stalking."

During the Thursday Committee meeting, the Board asked questions about the financial costs of the plan. Pat Hogan, executive vice president and chief operating officer, said that his office was working on putting price tags on the various strategies, but that the information would have to wait until a later Board meeting. Several Board members and administrators noted the overlaps in costs between the strategies, possibly making numbers for each individual strategy misleading.

**Andrew D'Amato**  
Associate News Editor

During the Board of Visitors' Building and Grounds Committee meeting, members approved plans to remove a decrepit building adjacent to the Leake Building and build a new parking garage.

In addition to approving the plans to remove the decrepit building, committee members also heard from University Architect David Neuman, who discussed the numerous ongoing construction projects on Grounds.

The Board also heard presentations about sustainability at the University, including far-reaching proposals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to reduce nitrogen emissions. The committee also discussed updating the University Sustainability website and promoting Earth Week activities.

"Heating and energy usage is going down," said Cheryl Gomez, co-chair of environmental impact at the University. "Electricity usage is pretty substantially going down. That constitutes to \$6-8 million saved if we were to continue at that rate. It's not only moving us into the direction of sustainability, but it also really makes sense financially."

Allison Leach, a graduate student in the Environmental Science department, gave a presentation about nitrogen emissions activities at the University with Environmental Science Prof. James Galloway. Their goals coincided with the University's already proposed plan to reduce carbon emissions.

"There is substantial overlap between carbon and nitrogen footprints," Leach said. "We have a win-win situation. That means when we do things to reduce our carbon footprint, we reduce our nitrogen footprint."

Leach and Galloway hope to reduce the University's nitrogen footprint 25 percent by 2025. They also touched on the role food producers at the University played in the reductions. Food producers are one of the highest nitrogen-producing groups associated with the University.

"We used our model to analyze many different strategies and how they will affect our plan," Leach said. "We've been working with dining services over the last few years, and we realized their plans are very similar to ours."

Neuman also discussed future plans for the Rotunda renovations. Some of the new construction projects include fixing the elevator and increasing fire protection in the Rotunda.

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# Dem. McAuliffe leads Rep. Cuccinelli in fundraising

*Virginia Board of Elections statistics show gubernatorial election funded through mostly out-of-state donations unlike other statewide races*

**Caelainn Carney**  
News Staff Writer

Republican and Democratic campaigns in the gubernatorial, lieutenant gubernatorial and attorney general races.

According to campaign fundraising statistics released for the months of July and August, Democratic gubernatorial candidate Terry McAuliffe outraised Republican nominee Ken Cuccinelli by almost \$1.3 million. The reports, released by the Virginia Board of Elections, from July 1 to Aug. 31, Cuccinelli raised \$5,688,220, while McAuliffe raised \$7,355,244.

Center for Politics spokesperson Geoffrey Skelley currently, McAuliffe has a 4.2 point lead over Cuccinelli, according to Real Clear Politics, a poll aggregator.

cautioned, however, that it can be difficult to tell whether increased funding causes a lead in the polls or if a lead in the polls causes more donations.

"If McAuliffe continues to lead in the polls, that can start to affect [his] fundraising dollars," Skelley said. "[The donors] will be more

inclined to give to him because he's winning."

Second-year College student Porter Koolman, the financial officer for the University Democrats, viewed the McAuliffe campaigns' current finances as a positive sign.

"I think it's a really encouraging sign to be honest," Koolman said. "Money is important in elections. Money doesn't win elections. Votes win elections. But having more money is definitely a big plus."

Third-year College student Elizabeth Minneman, president of the College Republicans, had a different view on the importance of finances for this election.

"Money isn't as big as a deal as a lot of people think in these elections," Minneman said. "Cuccinelli has a lot of grassroots support."

Though each candidate in recent press releases said most of their donors gave small contributions of \$100 or less, the majority of their funds came from a few large contributors.

In a Sept. 16 press release, Cuccinelli announced his funds came from 10,304 donors. But the

majority of the funding during that period came from 35 large, in-kind contributions, the largest donor being the Republican Governors Association.

Similarly, in another press release that day, McAuliffe announced 82 percent of his donors gave contributions of \$100 or less. Like Cuccinelli, however, most of McAuliffe's funds came from large cash contributions. The largest of his cash contributions came from the Democratic Governors Association and miscellaneous political action committees, followed by organized labor.

Recent statistics show most funds for both candidates have been coming from out of state. In the past year, 68.9 percent of Cuccinelli's funds and 73.4 percent of McAuliffe's funds came from sources outside of Virginia.

Skelley said that this influx of out-of-state funding is not that surprising.

"In this day in age, it is sort of to be expected, especially because there are only two notable elections going on: the New Jersey election and the Virginia election," Skelley said.

Koolman further clarified this

phenomenon, saying the few elections during off-years give major national donors their only opportunities to influence elections.

"The dynamic between 2012 and now also plays a part because you have Super PACs raising money in the off-years," Koolman said. "An off-year election means that you have Super PACs looking for elections to impact."

Minneman also added that increased out-of-state funding did not necessarily mean that in-state interest in the election has decreased.

"We've seen a lot of help coming in from out of state but that doesn't mean there isn't as much in state excitement as there has been in past years," Minneman said.

The trend of receiving large portions of funding from out of state notably did not extend to the lieutenant gubernatorial and attorney general campaigns. All the non-gubernatorial campaigns were alike in that most of their funding came from in-state and that most of their funds came through large cash contributions.

Ralph Northam and Mark Herring, Democratic candidates

for lieutenant governor and attorney general, received 99 percent and 94.3 percent of their funding from in-state sources in 2013, respectively. Republican candidates for the offices, E.W. Jackson and Mark Obenshain, received 88.8 percent and 81 percent of their campaign funds from Virginia donors during the past year.

The differences in the finances for the candidates running for lieutenant governor and attorney general arose in the type of donor primarily supporting each candidate.

Democrats Northam and Herring received most of their funds from a mix of PACs, small businesses and individuals. Conversely, Republicans Jackson and Obenshain relied much more heavily on individual donors for their funding.

Minneman said the race would still be interesting in the coming weeks and that voters may still see some changes in the finances and popularity of the candidates.

"It's still so early on," she said. "I think a lot can change from then to now. It's too close of a call right now."

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Students gathered outside of the Rotunda Friday afternoon as Board members met inside. The group was protesting changes to the University's financial aid program, AccessUVA.

# Protestors support AccessUVA

*Students say recent changes will disproportionately affect low-income students*

**Zachary Peak**  
Senior News Writer

As the Board of Visitors convened inside the Rotunda Friday, another gathering was going on outside on the steps: a group of students gathered to protest the recent changes to AccessUVA, the University's financial aid program.

Citing the ballooning costs of AccessUVA, the board voted during the summer to abolish all-grant financial aid and replace portions of that aid with federally subsidized loans. Beginning with next year's class of 2018, students will now receive up to \$14,000 for loans for in-state students and \$28,000 for out-of-state students. These changes are expected to save \$6 million per year. The event was organized by Voices for AccessUVA, a student-led initiative to convince the Board to restore AccessUVA's all-grant aid to students from the lowest income bracket. Third-year Batten student Heather Berg said University administrators should

focus on the people behind the numbers.

"Our goal is to get students informed about what the changes are, and hopefully mobilize a response," Berg said.

Event organizer Hajar Ahmed, a fourth-year College student, highlighted the contrast between the University's high academic rankings and what she said was the inability of low-income students to attend the school relative to other universities.

"For many low income students, U.Va. will simply become unaffordable," Ahmed said. "Disguising loans as aid to the poorest of the poor is despicable."

During the rally, several students shared their experiences with AccessUVA and how important it has been in their lives. Third-year College student Hawa Ahmed was among those who shared their story. She said AccessUVA offered her a chance to go to college she never would have had otherwise.

"This is a step in the wrong direction," Ahmed said. "Many

poor students come from families already drowning in debt."

Fourth-year College student Einass Abdelmoula was among the students in the crowd who was not personally benefited by the program. "I don't have personal experience with AccessUVA, but I'm here for solidarity with my fellow U.Va. students," she said.

Board member Helen Dragas, who was one of only two Board members to vote against the change to the program, said the University had a commitment to its least well-off students.

"I wish I could articulate it as well as your colleagues just did," Dragas said. "I think our mission at the University of Virginia is affordable excellence, it is access to the best education we can provide in this state for all Virginians, regardless of family income or wealth — and that extends beyond the boundaries of the Commonwealth as well. I voted against the change because I felt like [AccessUVA] is such a core, mission-driven program that needed to be sustained."

## Santorum discusses family values

*Former Pennsylvania Senator talks Middle East, Syrian conflict, national politics*

**Leopald Spohngellert**  
News Staff Writer

Former United States Senator Rick Santorum (R-Pa.) spoke in Old Cabell Hall on Thursday evening as the Grand Opening Speaker for the University's Young Americans For Freedom chapter.

The talk, titled "America at the Crossroads: What Obama's Second Term Means for Our Nation," featured a speech from Santorum followed by questions from the audience. Santorum focused his speech on three topics: the current situation in Syria and the Middle East, the state of the family in America, and a summary of his views on the state of nation.

On Syria, Santorum expressed his disappointment with the Obama administration's decision to agree to a chemical weapons deal promoted by the Russian government rather than carrying out air strikes against the Syrian government. "We have gone from super power and leader of the free world to today having set aside

and elevated an autocrat and former KGB thug in Vladimir Putin as peacemaker," he said.

Santorum cited a speech he gave at the University in November 2007 where he stressed the importance of confronting radical Islam and its followers around the world. "You see this president denying any problematic side of what's going on within the Islamic religion in the Middle East," Santorum said.

In Santorum's opinion, pro-West factions in the Middle East must be supported and anti-West threats confronted. He said the lack of support for former Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak as he attempted to retain power in 2011 and recent failure to support what he believes were initially pro-Western Syrian rebels were mistakes. "Was he [Mubarak] a thug? Yes," Santorum said. "Was he doing a lot of bad things? Yes. But he was our thug. Peace through strength works."

Santorum spent the next portion of his speech focusing on his views on family structure. A

fierce opponent of gay marriage, Santorum worked to explain and defend his stance to the audience. He focused on his opinion that a "traditional family structure," consisting of a heterosexual married couple with children, benefits the American economy and American youth.

"When we as a society don't support that optimal relationship for children, we are doing them a great disservice," he said.

Following the conclusion of his speech, Santorum took questions from the audience and met with students for further discussion and pictures.

Second-year College student Anthony Hadford, chairman of Young Americans for Freedom at the University, said he was pleased with Santorum's speech and the similarities between Santorum's ideology and that of the chapter.

"He's always supporting his views despite if something is popular or not," Hadford said. "We know that our views are not going to be popular and we're still going to fight for them."



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Former U.S. Senator Rick Santorum received a mild reception when he spoke in Old Cabell Hall on Thursday.

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## Comment of the day

“Can we tear down those horrible posters now?”

“Tim” responding to Leopold Spohngellert’s Sept. 19 article, “Santorum addresses U.Va. students.”

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## LEAD EDITORIAL

## The virtues of not protesting

*Santorum’s visit to the University last week drew a surprisingly mild response*

Clad in a suit rather than his trademark sweater vest, former U.S. Senator Rick Santorum (R-Pa.) addressed University students last Thursday evening in Old Cabell Hall. The University’s chapter of Young Americans for Freedom hosted the event. Bringing Santorum to Grounds was the fledgling group’s first major move. Since hosting its first interest meeting in April, YAF has spent most of its time on Facebook, where it posts racially objectionable cartoons and, in McCarthyesque fashion, identifies supposed Communists in Congress.

Santorum — who holds a B.A., a J.D. and an M.B.A. — is not fond of higher education. Or at least that’s the line he took while campaigning for the 2012 Republican presidential nomination. He accused Obama of being a snob because the sitting president wanted all Americans to gain college degrees. And he made sure to share his view that colleges indoctrinate young people against Christianity.

For someone quick to dismiss institutions of higher learning as cesspools of liberalism and godlessness, Santorum has spoken at a number of “indoctrination mills.” At most schools, his appearance

draws protest.

In 2003, Santorum gave the commencement speech at Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia. Of the approximately 700 students graduating from the Jesuit school, 100 walked out in protest before Santorum began speaking.

In 2006, Santorum spoke at Pennsylvania State, his alma mater. Penn State’s College Democrats protested. In 2011, he spoke at Penn State again — this time as a (doomed) presidential candidate. As he exited the event room, about 40 protesters chanted: “We are Penn State; we are not straight.” The chant was meant to indicate opposition to the former senator’s anti-gay views (Santorum famously compared homosexuality to “man-on-dog” in a 2003 interview with the Associated Press).

In September 2012, Santorum gave a lecture at Yale. Protesters held signs outside the event showing names and images of young people who had committed suicide in response to homophobia and bullying. Inside, audience members hissed while Santorum discussed the alleged downfall of the American family.

Given this track record, the most surprising thing about Santo-

rum’s appearance on Grounds was not the content of his speech. It was the astonishingly mild reception he received. Even the over-the-top posters displayed on Grounds — which depicted Santorum’s smiling mug in 17-by-11-inch closeup — did not provoke much of a reaction from students opposed to the former senator’s views.

We should not be hasty in drawing conclusions from the lack of fervor surrounding Santorum’s visit to the University. It could suggest that University students are, to some degree, apathetic — even those involved in progressive or gay-rights organizations, which would be the groups most likely to stage a response to Santorum. Equally, it could suggest that Santorum is a has-been, and simply not worth worrying about any longer.

Regardless, the fact that students didn’t protest the Santorum event is not necessarily a bad thing. Student protests have an unfortunate tendency of sacrificing free-speech principles for the sake of another favored cause. A protest in 2009 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is one notable example. Tom Tancredo — another failed Republican presidential candidate

with controversial views, though he directs most of his scorn at immigrants, not gay people — was set to give a talk at an event hosted by the unfortunately named student group Youth for Western Civilization. Students gathered in protest. The event ended prematurely when a protester lobbed a rock through a classroom window. Tancredo left, and campus police attempted to clear the halls with Tasers and pepper spray.

The risk that an organized protest will spiral out of control and prevent a speaker from expressing his or her views is worth taking seriously. A better strategy for students who disagree with a speaker is to challenge objectionable views in a civil way. By asking tough questions at the event and hosting counter-speakers, students can enrich the quality of dialogue at a school. Calm discourse makes it easier for students to interrogate ill-supported views and figure out why someone like Santorum might take the positions he does. This strategy transforms a potentially negative experience into an opportunity for learning. And learning — despite Santorum’s declarations to the contrary — is what college strives to encourage.

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# More than a paper

*The Cavalier Daily's use of social and mobile media makes for effective reporting*

**Christopher Broom**  
Public Editor

This week, by reading just about everything The Cavalier Daily had to offer, I found that I sometimes learn more from the staff's Twitter feeds than I do from the website or news magazine. The digital-first initiative was never intended only to include a website, as I understand it. The digital platform doesn't only offer the editorial board, writers and photographers a way to publish their work more quickly throughout the day; it also offers an opportunity for more interaction with readers.

A good example of this interaction is Greg Lewis' Twitter feed during the AccessUVA student protest outside the Board of Visitors meeting this past week. Lewis is The Cavalier Daily's social me-

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**In the time between when articles are published, the Twitter feed is one of the best places to find out what's going on at the University in real time.**

dia manager, so perhaps it should come as no surprise that he is an effective communicator on Twitter. His live-tweeting from the protest, including a photo of former Rector Helen Dragas listening to the speakers at the event, proved informative and offered texture

and offer an on-the-ground view to readers. Lastly, Lewis' tweets weren't static. He interacted with followers on Twitter, responding to comments and engaging in discussion. This is a dimension of coverage and interaction that can really set the Cavalier Daily apart and one that I found intriguing and valuable.

At about the same time that Lewis was tweeting from the student protest over AccessUVA cuts outside the Rotunda, Assistant Managing Editor Matthew Comey was in the Board of Visitors meeting and also tweeting in real time. These tweets were somewhat more dry than Lewis' — largely, I think, because

a BOV meeting is quite a lot dryer most of the time than a student protest, but they were also informative. The combination of real-time tweets from both inside and outside the Rotunda was fascinat-

ing to me and is something I think readers can and should look for as a part of the digital first initiative here.

There is a Twitter feed section on the Cavalier Daily home page online. Personally, I'd like to see that given a more prominent placement and more emphasis. In the time between when articles are published, the Twitter feed is one of the best places to find out what's going on at the University in real time. It also offers a way to interact with the news stories and the people covering them. The comments section on the various articles online don't seem to generate much in the way of ongoing interaction. Perhaps Twitter can.

**Video**  
There are also, I discovered, several longer videos on the Cavalier Daily site — including an in-depth look at Living Wage U.Va. and a video of the BOV meeting. Even though I'm charged with looking at everything the Cavalier

Daily is doing, I hadn't really paid much attention to the videos online. They're worth viewing.

**App launch**  
The Cavalier Daily also launched its new mobile app this week. It is, as you'd expect from a newly launched mobile app these days, slick but not without a few bugs. I expect those will be smoothed out in the coming weeks. It is also an important step in moving The Cavalier Daily forward in a digital sense. I teach on Grounds and I cannot tell you the last time I saw a student carrying a physical newspaper of any sort. But virtually every person at U.Va., regardless of role, has a smartphone and/or a tablet of some sort. I urge readers to download the app.

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# Celebrating mediocrity

*The University's lionization of Teach for America fails to attend to the organization's weaknesses*

**Benji Cohen**  
Guest Columnist

On September 13, UVA Today ran a laudatory article about U.Va.'s place as a "top 10" Teach for America (TFA) corps contributor. The celebratory article gave me pause, as it continued to stoke the heroic one-dimensional narrative of TFA as the cure-all to urban public education in the United States. TFA is not a solution and U.Va. should exercise caution when trumpeting a program that has had such mediocre results.

Certainly, some TFA corps members have a transformative experience. For these lucky few, TFA is revolutionary — both personally and for the young learners under their care. TFA's mission to lure energetic and passionate graduates of top-notch colleges

and universities into public education is beneficial to urban schools. On the surface, the program appears to offer an antidote to the nation's educational crisis, but in reality the program's model, structure, and impact leave much to be desired.

TFA places brand-new teachers in some of the most poorly per-

der without proper professional development or support. Wendy Kopp's organization pledges that its teachers are well-prepared and ready for the stark realities that they face. On the contrary, TFA's institute is a crash course in lesson planning, behavioral management, and pedagogy. It is a foolhardy assumption to believe that anyone can become a competent teacher with only a summer of training.

It is commonplace for TFA corps members to cycle out of teaching after their two-year commitment is up. This rotating door continues to feed the achievement gap. Just at the moment TFA teachers are beginning to get their sea legs as educators, the vast majority leaves to begin other careers. Exhausted and

burned out by the difficult task of learning on the job, TFA must replace its now-amateur teachers with a slew of rookies.

Over the last few months many TFA veterans have published diatribes against their former employer, condemning the organization for its lack of professional development and support, the antipathy it has fueled between corps members and established teachers, and the basic claim that TFA hurts young students by placing rookie teachers in environments that require experts. TFA is a powerful corporation but slowly voices are piercing through the silence to question the organization's practices and philosophies.

It is a testament to U.Va. that a program as competitive as TFA hires so many graduates of this institution. With that said, U.Va. would be well-served to take a vocal stand against TFA's organi-

zational practices. U.Va. has the opportunity to be a leader among its peer schools in a progressive educational reform movement — to continue to push its undergraduates into teaching careers but into alternative programs that provide them with legitimate training and support (teacher residency, Masters in Education, etc.). I urge U.Va. to see beyond the glitz and glamor of TFA statistics. U.Va. should craft a community-wide culture that continues to glorify teaching but pushes beyond the TFA paradigm.

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forming districts in the country. I have nothing against this practice, but rather condemn TFA for allowing these young teachers to floun-

# A lingering concern

*The Greek system at the University has yet to practice full racial equality*

**Meredith Berger**  
Opinion Columnist

Recently, after two black girls were denied bids at sororities, members of Alabama's sorority system came out and exposed the racism that exists, especially among the alumni. After being condemned for its practice of segregation in its sorority system, the University of Alabama is making structural changes within its Greek organizations, such as a new recruitment process in which new members can be added at any time, that will increase the chances for prospective members and that will also permit black women to be admitted to the school's historically white sororities.

When I heard news of this segregation, it seemed unbelievable that practices such as this still existed. However, after further contemplation, I began to see how unsurprising this really is. Looking at the many Greek systems in our region,

and even examining the University's own sorority and fraternity life, it is clear that, while maybe not be intentional like Alabama's, a sort of segregation still exists.

There are 16 sororities here on Grounds, but there are also some lesser known sororities that identify themselves as "historically black"

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sororities. There are four black sororities, three of which are active, and the pledging process is very secretive. From what I was told, however, all races are allowed to rush these sororities, as one member described the rushing process as, "a chance to identify with [our] values,

not just [our] culture and ethnicity."

Even considering the fair selection process, it is clear that segregation does exist on some level in most Greek systems. However, this segregation does not derive from a malicious intent, or the intent to discriminate based on race or creed alone. It is a result of history, a tradition started way back when these groups were formed, and continues today. Yes, there are historically white and historically black sororities on Grounds. But unlike in Alabama, all races are technically allowed to join either

of the groups.

But while our Greek system is free of malicious intent, some believe racism still exists within it. There have been cases of blatant rejection from fraternity parties and other social events, wherein girls have been denied access to en-

ter because of their race. From the girls' own accounts, they were told by fraternity brothers they could not enter because they were black.

While cases such as this are not common, they still occur, and we cannot let them continue.

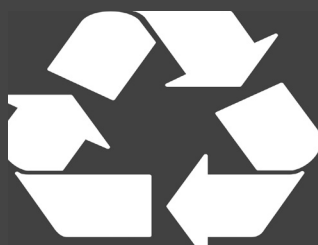
To respond to the problem of disconnect in the sorority system, there should be mixed parties between the historically black fraternities and sororities and the historically white fraternities and sororities. There were a few last year that people really enjoyed and believed were a success. In addition to these mixers, there should be philanthropies done together by the groups. This integration may lead to a more comfortable and diverse Greek system. I say "comfortable" because students may feel uncomfortable in Greek life because of the lack of fellow minority students. This can be a deterrent to rushing in the first place, which can explain the low numbers of minorities in sororities compared to the number

of Caucasian girls. However, with an increase in joint events, diversity will hopefully be promoted.

At this point, Alabama sororities are making changes to their Greek system, though those changes should have been made long ago. But it doesn't matter which state or school you're from. I think we should all look at Alabama and instead of judging them, ask ourselves this: is the Greek system here welcoming to all races? We might think everyone feels comfortable rushing any of the sororities, but when sororities are historically only of one race, and students are still being denied to attend Greek-related events because of their race, it shows that racism is an obstacle we must still overcome — and hopefully something we can change.

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# Grounding yourself in art

*The University's artistic offerings can be educational and enriching*

**Ashley Spinks**  
Opinion Columnist

Last week I was required to pay a visit to the Fralin Museum as part of a history course I am taking this semester. That same week, our hilarious and distinguished alumna Tina Fey visited and spoke about the importance of the arts as part of the President's Speaker Series. The Symphony Under the Stars concert, performed by the Charlottesville and University Symphony Orchestra, also took place last week, although I was unable to attend. My point remains, however: At the University, we have virtually unlimited opportunities to experience the arts, and I think the arts are an aspect of our school that goes under-appreciated. Many of the arts-related events that happen on Grounds and in the surrounding Charlottesville area are conveniently located and cost little to nothing. More students should make it a priority to integrate the arts into their lives and to take advantage of the artistic opportunities that being a student at the University presents.

During my visit to the Fralin Museum, the curator spoke to us

about the history of the museum, her own job and responsibilities, the process of curation and the current exhibits. We were also given a tour through the Ansel Adams and "Looking at the New West" exhibits, along with explanations of what the exhibits meant in a historical context. The museum's employees worked hard to



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be accommodating to our group, answer all of our questions and to make the trip as meaningful to us as possible, given that we were history students.

As I left the museum, I was struck by the fact that I could revisit the museum at any time — it is a permanent resource for me. I realized that viewing and understanding the art could teach me

just as much as going to a library. I could draw inspiration from a painting or sculpture the same way I could draw it from a textbook or well-delivered lecture. And I could go back whenever I wanted — for free. We students enjoy similar access to the Kluge-Ruhe and the Ruffin Gallery. We should not undervalue these opportunities. The study of art could be much more applicable to your academic interests than you may realize, and if you try to approach your education from an aesthetic perspective you may become a more open-minded and well-rounded student.

Making the appreciation of the arts a priority in your life benefits you, and the University community gives you a multitude of ways to do that on a regular basis. Our arts programs at the University are comprehensive. There is sure to be something that you would enjoy, whether you're an amateur movie critic, a music fan, a painter or a dancer. The events that are easiest to attend are

the ones directly on Grounds, of course. Our school has dozens of a cappella groups; the University Programs Council hosts movie nights in Newcomb; and you can even experience art by watching the Cavalier Marching Band perform at halftime shows. The University also boasts many talented dramatists, dancers and poets who often perform on Grounds.

Attending arts events can also help you feel closer to your fellow students. It is a wonderful gesture to support the people that you live and learn with on a daily basis. Attending arts events can make you feel more integrated into the University community, because you will get a wider view of the different pursuits that animate your peers. If you are not a lover of the arts already, gaining a respect for what artists do can be a humbling experience. It is important to broaden your worldview while in college, and that includes your view of what it means to be "smart" or "talented." There is more than one kind of success, and artistic success ranks among the most impressive kinds.

Off Grounds, events such as the Virginia Film Festival, Fridays after Five on the Downtown

Mall, concerts at the Jefferson, the Southern and nTelos Pavillion, and the Heritage Theatre Festival present great opportunities not only to experience the arts but also to gain a greater understanding of the city in which you live. Charlottesville is our home and it has a vibrant art scene. It would be foolhardy to pass up the chance to immerse ourselves in such a unique environment.

The University has many valuable resources to offer its students, and I am not prizing the arts above science, research, athletics, or anything else. I am simply calling for more attention to be given to the arts, because as Vice Provost of the Arts Judy Kielbasa said when introducing the Speaker Series last week, "The value of free expression in the experience of music, dance, film, visual art, writing and even fashion impacts people from every walk of life [and] the arts serve as one of our strongest bridges to the community of Charlottesville and the commonwealth of Virginia."

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# Against objectification

*Off the Hook responds to last week's Cavalier Daily editorial on 'hook-up culture'*

**Mirenda Gwin**  
Guest Columnist

My name is Mirenda Gwin, and I am the co-president of the club Off the Hook, perhaps one of the most vilified organizations at U.Va. as of Monday, when this article was published by *The Cavalier Daily*.

After reading "Virginia and Virginity," which misquoted and misrepresented Off the Hook, even I, as president of Off the Hook, became concerned with how we represent ourselves on Grounds.

With further thought, however, I came to this conclusion: social conservatism is so incredibly unpopular on college campuses that self-professed "open-minded" students have difficulty tolerating an alternative to having sex. The managing board (MB) said several times in its article that Off the Hook is free to have its own beliefs regarding abstinence, but that this view is too 'austere' to attract a big following.

The editorial failed to mention that one of our panelists, Liz Minneman, said she was not com-

mitted to saving sex for marriage, but rather for a committed relationship. We put a diverse group of students on the panel in an effort to solidly back our main point that the detrimental aspects of the hookup culture far outweigh the positives.

Panelist Elliot Campbell, a fourth-year College student, mentioned that statistics show divorce



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rates are higher when one or both partners were sexually active before marriage. According to the April issue of the *Journal of Marriage and Family*, research found that "31 percent of women who had sex for the first time as teens divorced within five years and 47 percent divorced within 10 years. The divorce rate for women who delayed sex until adulthood was far lower: 15 percent at five years, and 27 percent at

10 years."

Rather than using the words "austere" and "stark" to describe aspects of Off the Hook's goals, more appropriate descriptions might include "necessary while unpopular" and "a viable alternative to sexual activity."

In fact, according to the same opinion piece in the *Cavalier Daily*, one problem with hooking up is that "they [people participating in the culture] do not know how to signal, in respectful ways, that they are interested only in sex" (emphasis added). A couple questions arise upon reading this statement. How is a desire only for the physical attributes of another's body respecting the entirety of his or her dignity? To fully respect another is also to care for the feelings, emotions and overall well-being of that person.

Off the Hook exists to draw awareness to the notion that a sole interest in sex does not respect either oneself or one's partner. The essence of a hookup is a no-strings

attached, emotionless encounter which is not a relationship at all, as neither party has respectfully taken into account the feelings of the other. I would wager that the MB, and the entire *Cavalier Daily*, rejects the objectification of men and women, but this position contradicts the above statement about the inability of partners in a hookup to signal their desire only for sex. To enter into a relationship with no regard for anything other than one's own physical satisfaction is the definition of the sexual objectification of another for personal gain.

Therefore, the following claim by Off the Hook is not austere when we say that "Sex outside of marriage is often physically and emotionally detrimental..." The conclusion to the *Cavalier Daily* article, which states that people should "honor the humanity of their sexual partners," is admirable, but to value another only for his or her body is to disrespect and dishonor his or her humanity.

The MB states that "A better route is to ask: how can we instill attitudes that permit people to pursue pleasure freely, but in a way that minimizes hurt feelings and harm to others?" At Off the Hook, we be-

lieve that pleasure in a relationship does not necessarily derive from sex; one *can* have healthy, happy relationships based on love, friendship, and mutual respect that is not grounded in sex.

The goal of Off the Hook is not to repress human sexuality or to act as a punitive authority figure that judges anyone who dares to cross the line and get physical in a relationship. In fact, Off the Hook is a viable and vibrant group whose promotion of healthy sexuality should not be overlooked. We do support the idea that there is value in the choice to reserve sex, if not for marriage, for a long-term relationship. I would go so far to say that one is not fully respected when he or she is desired only for sex; to suggest that this kind of sexual objectification could adequately honor another's humanity serves as a means to cheapen sex.

*Mirenda Gwin is a third-year College student and a co-president of Off the Hook. This article appeared in a modified form in The Virginia Advocate.*





# Virginia bounces back against Keydets, 49-0

*Tailbacks junior Kevin Parks, freshman walk-on Daniel Hamm each surpass 100 rushing yards in blowout win*



Chris MacDonnell | The Cavalier Daily

**Mike Eilbacher**  
Sports Senior Associate

In the two weeks between Virginia's 59-10 loss to Oregon and its matchup against Virginia Military Institute, coach Mike London had talked at length about the Cavaliers needing to find their identity on the field. Through one quarter Sat-

urday, it looked as though Virginia was having an identity crisis.

Sophomore quarterback David Watford was supposed to iron out his errors and take advantage of an FCS opponent, but he threw two interceptions early in the game. Held scoreless, Virginia looked primed for an upset until junior tailback Kevin Parks reeled off a 61-yard touchdown minutes into

the second quarter. The score woke the dormant Cavaliers, and they used the momentum to blaze past the Keydets in a 49-0 win.

"Going into the open week, we wanted to work on some things we thought we needed to do in order to become a better football team," London said. "Obviously that first quarter wasn't indicative of the things we worked on. I thought

that the second quarter ... showed the things we have been working on."

Parks rushed for 125 yards combined in Virginia's first two games, but he eclipsed that total before halftime against VMI. The long touchdown run highlighted a career day for the junior, who rushed for 135 yards and two touchdowns. He had both his longest run at Vir-

ginia — the 61-yard touchdown — and his longest reception — a 54-yard pass in the third quarter.

Both junior Khalek Shepherd and freshman Taquan Mizzell were sidelined due to injury, so the Cavaliers turned to freshman walk-on Daniel Hamm to back up Parks.

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## Rushing into the record books

During an afternoon when sophomore quarterback David Watford looked to be off his mark early — throwing a pair of first quarter interceptions — Virginia needed a catalyst to kick-start its offense. The Cavaliers found what they were looking for and then some in their rushing attack, running for over 300 yards for the first time since 2004.

After a scoreless opening quarter, it didn't take long for Virginia to get on the board. Junior running back Kevin Parks cut back and burst into the open field to go 61 yards untouched for a touchdown. The big play proved to be exactly what the struggling Watford needed.

"It was a sigh of relief for me," Watford said. "His touchdown really took a little bit of weight off of our shoulders as an offense."

Parks would deliver one more touchdown before halftime, seeing the field on one more play the rest of the game. The star running back finished with two touchdowns and a career-best 135 rushing yards, in addition to 69 receiving yards. Watford credited the success of Parks and his other running backs for his ability to bounce back from his

early turnovers.

"It makes it a lot easier for me," Watford said. "When they can't stop our run it just opens up for the passing game. A lot of times they were in Cover-4, and that's how I was able to hit [senior wide receiver] Tim [Smith] on that deep ball for the touchdown."

But as prolific as Parks was against the Keydet defense, he was not the Cavaliers' leading rusher Saturday. With junior Khalek Shepherd and freshman Taquan "Smoke" Mizzell still nursing sprains from the Oregon game, the team called upon freshman walk-on running back Daniel Hamm to lighten Parks' workload.

"I was nervous at first," Hamm added. "The first play I went in there was a penalty and I came back out and I didn't get to run the ball. But after the first hit, it was pretty good."

Making his collegiate debut, Hamm took his first carry midway through the second quarter for 11

yards. Entering the locker room at halftime with 20 yards on three carries, few could have predicted what would happen next — including Hamm.

The freshman kicked off his coming-out party after the break, scoring his first career touchdown 34 seconds into the half. Hamm managed to one-up Parks' 135 yard rushing output, and capped his day with another touchdown run early in the fourth quarter. The pair of running backs became the first Virginia tandem to rush for over 100 yards each since Jason Snelling and Wali Lundy accomplished the

feat in 2005.

It was an unbelievable first performance for the athlete from Wytheville, Va. who was not offered a football scholarship by any school — including VMI — and planned to come to Virginia to run track.

"Senior year was my first time being a running back, so I did not



**ZACK BARTEE**  
SPORTS COLUMNIST

expect to be recruited anywhere," Hamm said. "I was more focused on track. Then the track coach from U.Va. came to one of my high school games and he said he thought that I could play football for U.Va."

After a meeting with Virginia football coaches, the team decided to offer Hamm a preferred walk-on spot. Shortly after, however, Hamm found himself facing a tough choice.

"Virginia Tech offered me a preferred walk-on at the same time as U.Va.," Hamm said. My mom graduated from Virginia Tech so it was definitely a difficult decision, but I think it was worth it now."

At the time of his entry into the game, Hamm didn't even have a picture on his VirginiaSports.com profile. But before the game ended, that issue had been addressed. Though Hamm claimed he didn't expect such an impressive performance out of himself, his teammates disagreed.

"I called it during the week — I told coach Fairchild that Hamm was going to have 150 yards rushing," Watford said. "I knew he was going to have a hell of a performance because he practices just

like that... I just didn't know he was going to score that many touchdowns."

Watford, however, did make sure to let Hamm know that he fell short of his 150-yard prediction for the freshman. Hamm took time after the game to address his quarterback's concerns.

"There was actually a pass play that went for about [11] yards, so I came pretty close to 150 all-purpose," Hamm said. "I kind of talked to him about that and he was like, 'Okay, okay, I can take it.'"

Vegetarians beware, with bad "Hamm" puns and nicknames now abounding throughout the Virginia football community, Cavalier fans are likely to see a lot more Hamm in the years to come. Though he will likely be relegated to the sidelines again for now upon the return of Shepherd and Mizzell, the freshman will surely remember Saturday's win for a long time.

"A lot of the players and coaches came out and told me they were proud of me," Hamm said. "It was a great performance, I couldn't ask for anything better as my first game played in college."



# No. 4 Field Hockey splits two marquee matchups

*Cavaliers fall to top-ranked North Carolina for first loss Friday before rebounding with 2-1 victory against No. 13 Northwestern Sunday*

**Matt Comey**  
Assistant Managing Editor

The No. 4 Virginia field hockey team split a pair of weekend matches against two highly ranked opponents, falling to No. 1 North Carolina 2-1 Friday before defeating No. 13 Northwestern by the same score Sunday. Friday's defeat was the first for the Cavaliers this season.

Virginia (8-1, 0-1 ACC) matched up well against North Carolina (8-0, 1-0 ACC) in a game that came down to the wire, but the Tar Heel defense proved too much for the Cavaliers to conquer. A late goal by Tar Heel junior forward Charlotte Craddock sealed the result.

"We gave them a good fight," senior forward Elly Buckley said. "They only beat us by one goal and it was a really close game the entire time. We're really proud of our team, but there are a lot of things we need to do [to improve]."

The Cavalier offense started off relatively sluggish given its high-energy track record, but the defense did its part to keep Virginia in the game. North Carolina first broke through with 16 minutes remaining in the first half when sophomore forward Emma Bozek

found senior forward Sinead Loughran for an open shot midway inside the circle.

"We were able to play a really aggressive first half defensive, but we weren't able to get our attack going like we did in the second half," coach Michele Madison said. "We were able to possess the ball more and control the ball better in the midfield [in the second half]."

The Cavaliers were fortunately able to find a tying goal with less than two minutes remaining in the half. On a break away from the midfield, senior forward Hadley Bell launched a ball into the circle from the right corner to find freshman forward Riley Tata posted up on the left side of the net for an easy tap in.

"The ball was suddenly behind the defense, so we just slipped it and it hit my stick and went in," Tata said. "It was a great pass from Hadley — it was perfect."

The Cavaliers came out from the break looking much more alive, but were only able to battle the Tar Heels to a stalemate for the first 30 minutes of the half. With five minutes remaining in the game, Craddock scored her game-winner with no Cavalier answer to come.

"Every game is like this; every game is a tough game," Tata said.

"I'm sad we lost but we're going to get them next time. They were a great team, but we played awesome as well."

Cavalier junior goalkeeper Jenny Johnstone finished the game with seven saves, while her Tar Heel counterpart, junior Sassi Ammer, tallied just two.

Virginia was able to bounce back against the Wildcats (8-2) Sunday, giving the Cavaliers their fourth win of the year against a team that is currently ranked. Northwestern entered Charlottesville riding an eight-game winning streak, including a victory against No. 9 Duke just two days earlier.

"This was a really big and a really tough game coming off the loss," Bell said. "We knew we had to do something big to get back and keep moving forward. It was really awesome to win and be able to pull it together in the end."

Virginia scored first in the game on a successful penalty stroke from senior back Carissa Vittese after Northwestern fouled freshman forward Caleigh Foust on a Virginia breakaway. The 1-0 Cavalier lead would hold for the remainder of the half with the help of strong defensive play by Virginia.

"I really think that our defense is going from strength to strength

right now," Johnstone said. "We're working on it a lot and working as a unit rather than individually. Northwestern was a tough game — they've got a great offensive unit, so our defense did absolutely great."

Early in the second half, Northwestern tied the game on a penalty corner. Senior forward Nikki Parsley took the shot from the top of the circle and scored. Then, after more than 20 minutes of scoreless play, Bell found Foust in front of the net for the freshman's eighth goal of the season with just more than five minutes remaining in the game.

"Elly had the ball on the left side and she likes the big hits," Bell said. "I knew I had to run, get in position and get a deep lead. Then I saw Caleigh waiting in position in front of the goal, so I just hit it to her and she tipped it in."

With two minutes remaining, the Wildcats pulled their goalkeeper to no avail, clinching the first Northwestern loss since Aug. 30.

"It was great to muscle our way through that one — that's exactly what we had to do," Madison said. "It was a blue-collar game and we just had to deal with the physicality of it and still make it our game."



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Senior forward Hadley Bell assisted on Virginia's game-winning tally Sunday against Northwestern. Bell also set up the Cavaliers' lone goal against the Tar Heels Friday in the 2-1 defeat.

## State of the NFL

Football fans have been treated to an interesting start to the NFL season. Every team has had at least two contests now, and the third round is underway as I write this column from a booth at Buffalo Wild Wings. So what's been going on, you ask? Well, since you've apparently been living under a rock, I'll tell you.

Some things have been entirely predictable. Denver quarterback Peyton Manning has taken full advantage of the most stocked corps of receivers in the NFL — sorry, Green Bay — throwing nine touchdowns and no interceptions en route to the Broncos starting the season 2-0 and looking like one of the prohibitive favorites to hoist the Lombardi Trophy come February.

The New England Patriots are 2-0 despite having a squad of pass-catchers populated by Julian Edelman and a bunch of players that even hardcore football junkies have never heard of.

Even though Philadelphia's 1-2 record might suggest otherwise, new coach Chip Kelly and his blur offense have made the Eagles one of the most exciting teams in the



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league to watch and have brought Michael Vick and DeSean Jackson back to relevance.

And the Jaguars and Browns have been exactly as terrible as advertised. Hey, someone's got to get the top pick in the 2014 draft.

But there have also been some serious surprises. Yes, Denver's hot start was expected, and many — myself included — thought that the Kansas City Chiefs would be an improved team this season. But can you say that you expected KC to start 3-0? Sure, they haven't played a particularly difficult schedule so far; the Jaguars, the Cowboys and the Eagles are not exactly an intimidating bunch. But I'll openly admit that I didn't see

the Chiefs' defensive performance coming, and the presence of Alex Smith is keeping opposing defenses honest and allowing stud running back Jamaal Charles to return to the top tier of NFL rushers.

Another trendy pick going into this season was Tampa Bay. The Bucs took a high-potential offense featuring tailback Doug Martin and wide receiver Vincent Jackson and supplemented it by adding shutdown corner Darrelle Revis to a defense that was expected to be one of the league's better units. Instead, Tampa has blown two straight leads against the hapless Jets and the division rival Saints to start 0-2, and it looks more and more every day like both coach Greg Schiano and quarterback Josh Freeman could be gone sooner rather than later.

And we all knew that Seattle was a strong team, but I don't think many expected the 29-3 beating the Seahawks put on the defending NFC champion 49ers in Week 2. Get used to it; the Seahawks are here to stay.

Then there's possibly the most unexpected development of the entire season. We all knew the

Browns were somewhat hopeless with Brandon Weeden at the helm, but show me a person who saw Cleveland's trade of star running back Trent Richardson coming, and I'll show you a liar ... or maybe ESPN NFL expert Adam Schefter. Instead of being the lone bright spot in Cleveland, Richardson joins Andrew Luck in Indianapolis in a push to bring the Colts back to the playoffs. I know I was shocked when I saw that the trade happened. I actually had to shut my laptop for five minutes and sit at my table in the Pav, just trying to process what had happened.

Fear not, Virginia fans; there's even something for you. Houston signal-caller Matt Schaub, the Cavaliers' all-time leading passer and holder of numerous Virginia passing records, got off to a sizzling start in 2013. Schaub has thrown for 644 yards and six touchdowns through the first two weeks of the season, helping to lead the Texans to a 2-0 start despite injury concerns for Houston's top weapons, running back Arian Foster and wide receiver Andre Johnson. By the time this column goes to press, however, Schaub will have put the

finishing touches on a clunker of a game, as the Texans are currently getting crushed by the Ravens.

But just as with Virginia's big win against VMI Saturday, we should all get appropriately excited about Schaub's start; after all, you have to take your moments of Wahoo pride where you can get them.

So where do we go from here? Obviously, it's far too early to be making predictions like these, but since that won't stop me or the pundits on ESPN, I'm calling that the playoff teams will be Denver, Houston, New England, Cincinnati, Miami, Kansas City or perhaps the new-look Colts in the AFC, while the NFC will be represented by Seattle, Green Bay, New Orleans, Dallas, San Francisco and Atlanta in the quest for the Lombardi Trophy.

Of course, there could be more surprises around the corner. After all, there are still 14 more weeks of regular-season football to go, and everyone knows that games are played on the field, not on a writer's notepad. I guess we'll just have to keep watching to find out what's next.



Junior midfielder Morgan Brian converted a cross from junior midfielder Danielle Colaprico for the Cavaliers' first of three goals. Brian has six goals and a team-leading eight assists in nine games this season.



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## Virginia beats Pittsburgh 3-1 to remain perfect

*Top-ranked women's team improves to 9-0 for first time since 2004 with second-straight, come-from-behind victory Sunday*

The No. 1 Virginia women's soccer kept its hot start to the season alive in Pittsburgh Sunday afternoon, downing the Panthers 3-1 to move to 9-0 for the first time since 2004.

For the second time in as many games, the Cavaliers (9-0, 3-0 ACC) found themselves in a 1-0 hole and were forced to rally. Pittsburgh (4-5-1, 0-4 ACC) grabbed the lead in the 11th minute when senior forward Dana DelleFemine took advantage of a through ball and beat Cavalier senior goalkeeper Danielle DeLisle in the lower left corner.

Virginia was able to respond in the 27th minute when star junior midfielder Morgan Brian finished a cross from junior midfielder Danielle Colaprico for her sixth goal of the season. From there, it was all Virginia as the Panthers did not record another shot in the first half.

Sophomore forward Makenzy Doniak got her seventh and eighth goals of the season in the second half, which put Pittsburgh away for good. Aside from the lone goal early, Doniak and the rest of the Cavaliers dominated the match, outshooting the Panthers 37-3 and not allowing a single corner kick.

Virginia will finish a three-game road trip Thursday when it travels to Durham, N.C. to take on No. 18 Duke.

—compiled by Ryan Taylor

## Football | Cavs amass 357 rushing yards during offensive outburst

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freshman walk-on Daniel Hamm to back up Parks. He did not disappoint, rushing for 136 yards and two touchdowns. Hamm received the majority of the Cavaliers' snaps in the second half, and even he was surprised with his output.

"I was really just hoping for playing time," Hamm said after the game. "I was not really expecting what happened ... It was shocking actually, the performance I had."

Virginia rushed for 357 yards in total, a stunning number considering the team's performance so far this year — just 233 rushing yards in the first two games combined.

"We need to get our confidence going," Parks said. "I told the team early that we need to start having fun again. Once we start having fun, then points will be up. We just need to start getting back to

doing the things we do well and doing what we're capable of."

Parks' score loosened up the offense, which had looked sluggish throughout the first quarter. Two tipped passes from Watford had resulted in interceptions, and it looked as though Virginia offensive woes in the Oregon game had not been healed. After going up 7-0, however, the team looked transformed.

The subsequent drive led Virginia into the red zone, but sophomore kicker Ian Frye missed a 37-yard field goal. The Cavaliers drove down the field again behind Parks and Hamm later in the quarter, and Parks found the end zone with just over three minutes left before halftime. One minute later, Watford found senior wide receiver Tim Smith in the back of the end zone on a 38-yard touchdown to put the team up by three scores.

"It's hard in games like this to know what to expect," Smith said. "I think guys came out and need-

ed a couple of series to get comfortable. Fortunately, it ended up going our way."

Smith's reception was the first of more than 25 yards this year for Virginia. Against tough secondaries in BYU and Oregon, Watford had been reticent to throw too deep, but against VMI, he felt more comfortable in his game.

"It was like my first touchdown that I threw to [Smith] against NC State [in 2011]," Watford said. "It's that same feeling, just a deep ball. He's a deep ball threat. All of our receivers are deep ball threats, and it's just a confidence booster for me. I throw it up there and he'll go get it."

Watford finished 18-for-25 for 206 yards and two passing touchdowns and one rushing touchdown, and was replaced by red-shirt freshman Greyson Lambert in the third quarter as Virginia led 42-0. London praised him after the game for recovering from the rough first quarter.

"We have talked about David

several times and what kind of young man he is," London said. "The thing he has is poise. He is a very mature young man and doesn't get rattled very much. That showed with how he bounced back and helped the team win."

Watford was aided by his defense's tremendous play. After giving up 59 points and more than 500 yards of offense against Oregon, Virginia played lights-out against the Keydets. VMI had just four first downs — one on a penalty — and senior quarterback Eric Kordenbrock had just 38 yards on 9-for-27 passing.

Combined with just 41 rushing yards, the Keydets had fewer than 100 yards of total offense. VMI punted on 13 of its 16 drives — the other three ended in a turnover on downs and two fumbles.

"We did well, we met our goals," sophomore defensive end Eli Harold said. "Playing a team like this, you just can't let up. We just did what we do. Coach didn't change anything up. We ran the

same calls as the first two games."

London was glad to see the team return to defensive form, an area that the Cavaliers were expected to excel in this year.

"They continued to improve on things we have worked on," London said. "We are a defensive team and have to play good defense."

With the team's first ACC game looming on the road in Pittsburgh next weekend, the team believes that this win could provide crucial momentum. Even though Virginia was expected to easily defeat VMI, seeing their performance match expectations was important.

"Obviously, there are a lot of plays we need to correct from early on in the game, but overall I think we had a plan in place to do what we do and we got some stuff on film," senior offensive lineman Luke Bowanko said. "I think there's absolutely stuff to learn from and it will be a good confidence booster going into Pitt."





# Think Blue for September

*University's Health Department seeks to educate men about Prostate Cancer*

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Among men in the United States, prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths. The National Cancer Institute estimates that in 2013 approximately 239,000 men will be diagnosed and 30,000 will die from prostate cancer. But recent research suggests a near-100 percent five-year survival rate for affected individuals who undergo regular screen-

ing.

In honor of Prostate Cancer Awareness month this September, the University's Medical Center plans to educate men about the importance of a healthy prostate. All men older than 50 should be screened annually, but the Medical Center recommends those with a family history of prostate cancer and African-American men should be screened beginning at age 40.

Through the University's Urology Department, the hospital offers free prostate cancer

screenings. Physicians screen for prostate cancer primarily using two tests: the prostate-specific antigen blood test and the digital rectal exam.

Given recent advances in treatment, it is not surprising that the American Cancer Society reports prostate cancer mortality rates have declined in the past two decades. But the lack of awareness about prostate cancer indicates a profound need to continue efforts toward refining its prevention, detection and treatments.



## Taking a walk for HIV/AIDS

*16th-annual AIDS walk celebrates survivors, supports continued battle against HIV*

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According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, young people are the most likely to contract an HIV infection — individuals under the age of 35 account for 56 percent of new infections and individuals aged 13-24 account for 26 percent.

"These numbers are why it's so important that U.Va. get involved — to get the word out that this is a huge problem for people [of college age]," said Eric Mayes, a staff member of the AIDS/HIV Service Groups, a local community-based organization.

To celebrate their involvement in the community and to spread awareness, ASG has organized its 16th annual 5K walk/run for Saturday, Oct. 5. Though this year's

event will celebrate a 21 percent drop in the number of new HIV diagnoses for women since 2008, it will also highlight that the overall number of new cases has increased by 16,000 for two straight years.

After an opening song and dance performance, the race will kick off at 10 a.m. The event will also feature a health fair that will include a number of vendors, such as the Shelter for Help in Emergency, The Queer Student Union at the University, Hiromi Tai Chi, the Charlottesville Democrats, Live Arts, Region 10 and Mental Health America.

The walk/run has no entrance fee, and donations will directly support the volunteer-based organization in the effort to further ASG's mission of building community support for people living with, affected by or at risk for HIV or AIDS.

## Cancer fight remains uphill battle

*American Association of Cancer Research releases 2013 Progress Report*

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More than 1.6 million Americans will receive a cancer diagnosis in 2013, according to American Association for Cancer Research's 2013 Cancer Progress Report, and more than 580,000 are projected to die from it this year.

Current cancer research focuses primarily on treatment, but as the number of cancer diagnoses increases, it will be crucial for society to next focus on prevention and early detection. More than half of cancer deaths in the U.S. are preventable through "lifestyle modifications," according to the report.

According to the association's website, 30 percent of all cancer deaths stem in part from tobacco use — a modifiable habit.

"It turns out that lung cancer is the most common type of cancer associated with smoking and is the most common cancer in men," University Cancer Center Director Thomas Loughran Jr. said in an email. "There are many other types of cancers that are also probably associated with smoking but with less certainty or frequency including pancreatic cancer, breast cancer etc."

In the case of some lesser known cancers, a large part of prevention is associated with education about a healthy lifestyle, Loughran said. While smoking can be a difficult habit to break, other lifestyle factors are easier to change to reduce an individual's risk of cancer, he said.

"The problem with smoking is that it is an addiction, a medical problem itself," he said. "It is hard to break this addiction ... [But] it is extremely discouraging to see

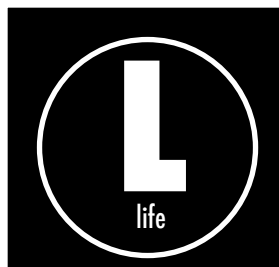
young individuals continue to pursue tanning salons, which increase risk of [the skin cancer] melanoma."

The association report cites early detection as an important part of cancer treatment and prevention, and unless more tools for prevention and early detection are discovered, it proposes cancer will soon become the leading cause of deaths in the United States.

"As a general rule, the most common cancers — breast, lung, colorectal and prostate — can be cured by surgery if detected in early stages," Loughran said. "It is very frustrating to see patients coming in with late-stage advanced cancers, such as breast or colorectal, that could have been potentially cured if discovered earlier. The problem here is lack of access to such screening procedures particularly in rural parts of Virginia."

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# From corners of the world to the Corner

*University community impresses numerous exchange students*

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Aya Abdelfatah left the Campbell Hall architecture studio around 3 a.m. last Tuesday to head back to her dorm in Hereford. As a third-year Architecture exchange student from Cairo, Abdelfatah waited for a bus outside Alderman Library not knowing buses stopped running at midnight.

Two first-year girls approached Abdelfatah and asked her where she was going and offered to walk with her as far as their dorms on McCormick Road. Once they reached McCormick, the two girls handed Abdelfatah off to another pair walking to new dorms ensuring she got home safely.

"This is what I mean when I say everyone here is nice," Abdelfatah said. "The first girl took my number and was texting me all the way making sure I was okay. It is something within the spirit of this place."

There are currently 79 exchange students enrolled in the University. Of those 79, 17 of them will be here for the full academic year. Exchange

change students come from all over the world from many institutions with which the University has exchange agreements. The Cavalier Daily had the opportunity to sit down with five of these students to discuss academics, beer pong and everything in between.

A great sense of community is something that several students identified as being a key difference between the University and their home institutions.

"It's very different from where I'm from," Abdelfatah said. "At home I go to university then go home because I live with my parents. Over here, I live here. I feel like I know every single place and most of the people, which of course I don't. That's the most wonderful thing, you have this huge family."

Third-year College exchange student Gabriel Poulain from Sciences Po Lyon in France praised the array of social hubs the University provides in the form of coffee shops, dining halls, residence halls and student organizations.

"One thing that surprised me is the community aspect," Poulain said. "Not the community as a whole, but

the communities inside. You see that mostly when you eat at the dining halls and you see the [table tents]."

This is different from in France, he said, where "community is a bad word," and differences are constantly downplayed at his university, where everyone is supposed to be equal.

The exchange students did not seem to be surprised by much as they came ready for new experiences and learned through their home institutions what American college life is like.

"Most of our television is American," said Christopher Lewis, third-year Law exchange student from the University of Melbourne. "So I've always had this environment in my life and now I've stepped into it. The street signs were always in the movies and now they're actually in the roads."

Many students chose to study at the University because of its academic reputation and have found the classes and class structure interesting and challenging. Poulain explained classes in France are large lectures that meet for longer periods, but with less outside work in comparison to his classes at the

University.

"I like the way discussion classes are led," he said. "There is a lot of exchange between students and faculty and that is something I like for sure."

Ruth Lan, a third-year College exchange student from Fudan University in Shanghai, also highlighted the relationship between professors and students.

"People here are always ready to express themselves," she said. "No matter how many students there are, people are always reacting with the professor and are happy to express whatever they are thinking whether it's right or wrong. That is something I've never experienced in my life at my home. I don't judge whether it's wrong or right or which is the best, but I'm saying that it's different."

More than anything, these students said they are looking for the opportunity to meet and interact with American students, but some have found it difficult to do so.

So the next time you notice an exchange student, say hi and perhaps chat for awhile — show the world what kind of community the University has to offer.

*We appreciate the enthusiasm of all the foreign exchange students willing to contribute to this article whose viewpoint we could not include. Please feel free to comment on the online version of this story at cavalierdaily.com.*



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# A summer off the grid

*Third-year student spends summer internship in Panama living only off the land*

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While numerous University students accepted internships in a wide range of fields this past summer, most did not learn how to sharpen machetes on their first day. For third-year Architecture student Madeleine Partridge, however, it was a must.

Partridge spent her summer working off the grid in Panama with an internship through Kalu Yala Independent Study Abroad and Entrepreneurial Internships, living entirely off the land she helped develop. Kalu Yala is a sustainable community built in a valley 45 minutes outside of Panama City.

"With architecture, I [knew I] wouldn't have a lot of time to study abroad," Partridge said. "An internship abroad was perfect."

Throughout the year, the company hosts more than 60 interns in either Panama City, San Miguel or Kalu Yala. Interns hail from a variety of academic disciplines, including business

development, health and wellness, agriculture, forestry and culinary arts.

Initially, Partridge notes, living without Internet, refrigeration, electricity and even solid walls was a definite culture shock.

"Your headlight was your best asset," she said. "You wouldn't let anyone borrow your headlight, because that was the only way you could get around for half of the day."

Partridge's typical day involved waking up at 9 a.m. and farming until the afternoon. Then, the interns were free to develop entrepreneurial ideas and assist others, once even using a sledgehammer to build a fish pond.

"[The project] was in the beginning stages of development,

so basically anything we imagined, we created," Partridge said.

Other than the dramatic climate and wildlife, Partridge had to grow accustomed to a lack of

had to hike five kilometers over a mountain and board a bus.

"During the [first] two weeks, I'd write people letters by hand," Partridge said. "Once I got into the city, I'd take pictures of them on my phone and email them out because I was craving interaction [with familiar people]."

Partridge thoroughly enjoyed living on the land after her period of adjustment, however.

"It was so peaceful that thinking of the outside world was actually more overwhelming than our own little world," she said.

The interns quickly formed a tight community. On July 4, because most of the interns were American, they all celebrated together by recreating parts of their home traditions.

"We had fireworks on the roof and then walked along the boardwalk," Partridge said. "There was some real com-

munity."

For Partridge, returning to the United States created more anxiety than entering Panama. On a recent drive, she realized "there were so many cars, there were sirens, there was traffic," she said. "We lived so simply [in Panama]. Our lives were so full and we were so content where we were."

Back at the University, Partridge has continued to design elements for sustainable communities, while also recycling more frequently, composting and spending more time outside. Partridge said her time spent in Panama remolded her life outlook.

"All my possessions were in two backpacks and I had two little hooks to hang them on," she said. "According to the world, we were dirt poor, but we were so happy living off the land and being together."

Partridge is currently in contact with a hospital in Ethiopia and hopes to obtain a research grant to assist in developing its sustainability initiatives next summer.



Photo courtesy Madeleine Partridge  
Maddy proudly displays the compostable toilet which she designed while interning in Panama this past summer.

communication with the outside world. To access internet, she

## Broke HOOLigans

There is one force in this universe that towers above all others, dwarfing them in its gargantuan shadow. It's started numerous wars, prompted countless crimes and driven unthinkable numbers of men utterly insane.

I'll wager that more than half of you think I'm speaking of the most infamous of all forces, that power Celine Dion herself felt deserved its own record: the power of love. I am not, however, alluding to love. I am not alluding to politics. Both are formidable forces, sure enough, but there is one I believe every college student would agree trumps both: money.

The term "broke college kid" has swept the nation for a reason, after all. With university tuition for many institutions rising easily above \$40,000, more young adults than ever are finding themselves in a fiery pit of economic hellfire, up to their poor — both literally and figuratively — eyeballs in debt.

Of course, our empty pockets are not solely the result of our costly education. I will be the first to admit I blow through appalling sums on trifles.

Online clothing sales, in particular, have really set me back. Half off, you say? Wonderful, I'll buy two. Buy one, get one free? Fantastic! I clearly must buy four. These sales will be the nail in my budget's coffin. I'm thinking of titling my first screenplay, "My Life as an Online Shopaholic," starring my empty debit account and myself.

But even if my willpower proved resilient enough to avoid the glittering temptations of these unnecessary personal purchases, there are some commodities I cannot avoid. Everyone must shell

out a ridiculous amount of money for rent every month. I would like to believe everyone — with perhaps the exception of several frat houses on Mad Bowl — feels compelled to purchase cleaning supplies. And speaking as someone who was only yesterday caught in her apartment's bathroom with an empty roll, buying toilet paper is absolutely non-negotiable.

There's also the issue of food — namely, that it costs a hell of a lot more than it should. How on earth do some loaves of bread cost upward of \$4? That loaf of bread is made of flour and water. Why am I expected to pay \$4 for flour and water? I really ought to buy my own flour and water and finally put my oven to good use. I could sell my

own bread — "Laura's Low-End Loaves." Perhaps then I could actually afford a \$4 loaf of bread.

It's only my fourth week back in Charlottesville, and I'm already feeling the strain. I have begun avoiding those pesky emails from Wells-Fargo detailing my many economic transgressions in all their miserable glory. No, Wells-Fargo, I do not want to view my bank statement for the month. Ignorance is bliss, right?

In an attempt to ease my worries about my spending, I save all my receipts, from the lowliest purchase of bubblemint gum to those that evidence my Old Navy splurges, in a box beside my bed. As this box is currently overflowing with the damn things, I have taken to ceremoniously referring to it as "The Leaning Tower of Visa."

The Tower serves no greater purpose; I do absolutely nothing with these receipts, and I don't

know why I bother to save them. Perhaps it just makes me feel more grown up. Perhaps I harbor a secret fear that I'll be audited come April. Regardless, The Tower has proved ineffective at discouraging me from unnecessary spending and instead sits stubbornly in its dusty corner, striking guilt and stress into my soul whenever I mistakenly glance at it.

Money makes the world go 'round, and at this point, I can't imagine anything changing in the near future, particularly with the steadily inflating prices of everything from education to groceries.

Perhaps we can learn to live with this economic woe for the first decade of our lives after college. And if not, I've always thought there is something terribly romantic about the whole "starving artist" thing. And anyway, we won't truly be starving — so long as we learn to bake our own bread.



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# Top 10 lies I heard about second year

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## 1 "Fraternity parties are so much better when you're older."\*

I'd be lying if I said that being able to walk past a line of anxious first-years waiting to get into a fraternity and straight through the door wasn't the most invigorating thing since realizing Dunkin Donuts delivered. It's the getting inside part that I wish I had been warned about — you're surrounded by about one million first years, all dancing with each other as if they'd never seen a member of the opposite sex before. You smile to your friend, throw them the knowing 'I'm too old and mature for that' look, until you realize that up until a few months ago, that was you too. Oh my God, did I really look like that? Oh my God.

## 5 "You're totally prepared to start figuring out a life plan."\*

Picking a major? Doing meaningful extracurriculars? What do you mean withstanding Bilt Survivor Hour and joining the clicker club aren't going to look good on my resume? I just turned 19 years old: I'm overwhelmed by first years in fraternity parties and not being able to drive quickly. This task is too daunting for me, especially when everyone around me seems to be going places so much farther than I am. It's the best and the worst thing about the University: everyone is so involved and so driven. Someone teach me how to get it all figured out.

## 9 "You're been here before so you'll know your way around."\*

This is an open letter to Thornton Hall: Why do you have so many buildings? Why are none of them connected? I'm not in the Engineering school, so why do I have a class in here? Where do I get in? Can I ever leave? Help? Also, I've already managed to give about 12 first-years directions to wrong places — you literally can't get into New Cabell anywhere anymore. I thought I had a pretty good grasp on how to walk around Grounds, but apparently not. Maybe by fourth year I'll be able to get from place to place without being completely confused.

## 2 "Cooking for yourself and going to the grocery store regularly are doable."\*

Let me tell you, it is near impossible to feed yourself. Shout-out to my parents for cooking for me for 18 years. I don't know how you did it. The other day, it took me and my roommate an hour to make a smoothie — don't you just blend ice and random frozen fruit? Apparently not. I set off the smoke alarm making sweet potato fries. I burnt frozen waffles in the toaster oven. I wish someone had told me that my meal plan this year would be to snack and to snack and to snack and then to just give up and order Basil.

## 6 "Classes are such a close walk from apartments on the Corner."\*

One day last week, I used a fancy little iPhone app to map how far my walk was to class. 20 minutes, .88 miles and 67 calories later, I rationalized not going to the gym ever again. Maybe dorms didn't have air conditioning, and maybe they hadn't been properly cleaned since 1950, but at least I could wake up five minutes before my class in the Chemistry Building and still be on time. Now I'm surrounded by unforeseen obstacles getting to class, such as the train running on the tracks behind the Corner — who knew those tracks were in actual operation — and the hills of 14th Street.

## 3 "You've been through this before, you'll be used to the workload."\*

Being a second-year, you'd think you'd be a little more okay with the workload and the realistic amount of time one needs to spend in the library here. Newsflash: Clemons still sucks. Clark still sucks. Alderman still sucks and Greenberry's will never be open when you want it to be. Why did I think being a year older would have changed that? Things I need to work on: not thinking Sundays provide ample amount of time to read 120 pages in a textbook, complete a WebAssign, and write a seven-page paper.

## 7 "You're older, and therefore wiser."\*

I can confidently tell you that an avocado-feta slice at Christian's is \$3.75 and Campus Cookies will indeed deliver to Clemons, but I'm still convinced that Ruffner Bridge never closed. I'll still tell you to go out on a Tuesday even when you have a test on Wednesday. I'll tell you that getting an omelet at O'Hill brunch takes less than 45 minutes, and that eating two peanut butter cookies at every meal won't make you gain any weight. Maybe because it's only been a month and I'm still convinced it's the summer, but I'm definitely at a place less wise than I thought I would be entering my second year.

## 4 "It is so convenient and easy to have a car."\*

As a New Yorker, I drive a constant 45 mph and don't stop for pedestrians. We go through yellow lights and don't let anyone through. But people don't do this here. It takes me about 20 minutes to drive the quarter-mile stretch down the Corner. Don't get me wrong, being able to drive to the grocery store and places beyond Grounds is a blessing. I know I'm lucky to be able to do so. But, so far, the biggest use of my car has been driving to the gym. Counterproductive, but what's the point in going to the gym if you're already out of breath once you get there?

## 8 "You'll have so much more time to explore Charlottesville."\*

Here's my go-to fun fact and my most embarrassing admission: I've never been to Chipotle. Does making the trip to the one in Barracks count as exploring Charlottesville? Because between class and work and Clemons and life, I have yet to make it to Carter's Mountain or Humpback Rock. I'm not proud of it, and I wish I had more time this year to do things past our University bubble.

## 10 "You know what you're doing, you'll be more organized and on top of things."\*

Between my phone calendar, my planner, the stack of to-do lists on my desk and the purple post-its stuck everywhere around my room, I need to figure out a way to better get my life together. First year I thought I would have it all figured out — how best to organize my life so I wouldn't forget anything. Nope. With a new year and new activities, my old ways just aren't doing it for me. Starting from scratch means my life is literally everywhere, all of the time. It's a miracle I haven't missed anything yet.

## Roses are red, but there's more to be said



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As I sat smiling in my car, watching a guy holding a bouquet of flowers cross the street, I began to think about how strange flowers are as a symbol of love.

Before I elaborate on this

thought, let me make a couple of disclaimers. First, I am a huge romantic. I love rom-coms, Nicholas Sparks books, weddings, Valentine's Day and really anything remotely to do with love.

Second, I love nature. I would love to live on a farm — not for my entire life, but definitely for a year or more. I love fresh air and hiking. When I was deciding where to go to college, one of my biggest priorities was something I called the "Grass Factor," so it is only fitting that I ended up at a university whose central feature is the Lawn.

I tell you all of this to make it clear: I am in no way saying I think the practice of giving girls flowers is wrong. I love receiving them. I am simply pointing out the irony.

Flowers may be fresh and beautiful, but the reality is they will, eventually, die. You can keep them alive for a while through dedicat-

ed, almost constant watering, but, in the end, they will be nothing more than brown, shriveled-up remains. Shouldn't we have a more eternal symbol for love?

Roses are supposed to be the most romantic flower, but they are covered in thorns. You cannot get a firm grip on them without cutting your hand. That is like saying, "I love you, but there is a catch. Actually, about 10 catches."

I suppose it is mostly a question of what you want — something fleeting that could harm you or something reliable.

In some ways, it might be more romantic to give a girl artificial flowers. They might not have the same aroma or soft touch, but at least they will actually last forever. If a guy were trying to express his dedication to a girl, I think an artificial bouquet would do the trick.

Unfortunately, there seems to

be a natural tendency to throw artificial flowers into the corner of our rooms and forget about them. You don't have to water them to keep them alive, so why bother wasting time on them? They'll still be there in 10 minutes, 10 weeks or 10 years.

What we don't realize at that moment is the colors will fade, dust will collect and we will wish we had taken better care of them. No matter how much we try to brush off the dust, they will never be quite the same as they were.

This holds true for more than just flowers. Plenty of relationships, romances, friendships and family members can be tossed aside once we are comfortable with them. We get to the point where we know a person is always going to be there, and it becomes easy for us to take them for granted — to lose the sense of urgency to keep

in close touch with them.

So, artificial flowers may not be any better. At least with natural flowers, there is an incentive to put effort into caring for them. Plus, if a girl had a lifetime's worth of artificial roses stored up, I'd imagine that would get a little overwhelming.

Maybe the value of natural flowers is in the memory. They may not last more than a week, but maybe something special will next week. You will have the gift of remembering a wonderful evening, and the promise of more in the future — even if you have to endure a few thorn scratches along the way.

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# LOVE CONNECTION | Kurt's Return

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Life Feature Writer

Amy Kurt

**Year:** Second

**Hometown:** Northern Virginia

**U.Va. involvement:** Pre-med organizations, Chi Alpha

**Ideal date (person):** I want someone who is smart and funny, yet still mature.

**Ideal date (activity):** My ideal date would be dinner and going to see a movie.

**Deal breakers:** Arrogant, really short, very strict, does not like EMT/firefighters or medical studies

**Describe a typical weekend:** I like to watch movies and spend time outside.

**Hobbies:** Volleyball, swimming, reading (Nicholas Sparks novels), volunteering as an EMT

**Brag about yourself. What makes you a good catch?** I'm good-looking, fun and a bubbly person to hang around.

**Describe yourself in one sentence:** I'm smart, cute and have a super awesome personality that will rock your world — plus, I can save your life!



**Year:** Second

**Hometown:** Williamsburg, Va.

**U.Va. involvement:** Brown Residential College and the Washington Literary Society and Debating Union

**Ideal date (person):** Thin, but not obsessed with the necessity of being thin. Hair color changes with the season, but I must admit that I'm a sucker for a lady with bangs. Personality-wise, I want someone who is domineering, cynical, adventurous and capable of holding an actual conversation.

**Ideal date (activity):** Dinner — somewhere quiet and not overrun by college students, live music at a venue or a hike through nature. The "success" of a date really depends more on the company than the activity.

**Deal breakers:** Someone who doesn't know who David Bowie is

**Hobbies:** Writing, watching documentaries, cooking, exploring

**Favorite pick-up line:** "That chair is broken. Why don't you come sit right here next to me?"

**Brag about yourself. What makes you a good catch?** I'm confident, or at least I'm not afraid of speaking my mind.

**Describe yourself in one sentence:** A friend of mine once described my personality as "a potent mix of narcissism and self-loathing."

*Amy and Kurt met for their date on the Rotunda steps at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.*

**Amy:** I originally filled out the [Love Connection] survey fall of my first year as a way to meet new people, so I was really excited when I found out I had been chosen.

**Kurt:** I'm a bit of a repeat customer with Love Connection. I did it last year and thought it would be good entertainment to give it another shot.

**Amy:** I had never been on a blind date before, but I expected it to be a pretty typical date night — getting to know someone new over dinner and a movie or something like that afterwards. Other than that, I didn't really know what to expect.

**Kurt:** After my experiences on blind dates, I have come to expect a certain level of awkwardness from the situation. I think my friends might have been more excited than I was to see how it played out.

**Amy:** The date didn't start off well when he showed up 20 minutes late and didn't even apologize. The first thing he said to me was that he had done Love Connection before, and it didn't work out well so he didn't have high expectations for our date.

**Kurt:** Because I was so late, I could identify her pretty easily sitting outside with a disappointed look on her face. I was sorry, but I forgot to mention that when I introduced myself.

**Amy:** We talked on the steps of the Rotunda for a little as we tried to figure out where to go.

**Kurt:** I had planned to take her to a bluegrass concert to see Chamomile and Whiskey, but she said that she had physics homework to do on Webassign and couldn't stay out late.

**Amy:** We ended up going to Fig, a new restaurant that had just opened on the Corner. When we walked into the restaurant, we were the only ones there. After we sat down at our table, they dimmed the lights for us. The waiters didn't have any other tables, so they just kind of stared at us. [It] was pretty uncomfortable.

**Kurt:** We made small talk about things like our majors and what we did over the summer, but it felt more like an interview than a date. It was pleasant, but we had differing religious beliefs that made conversation challenging at times.

**Amy:** We didn't really have much in common except that his mom is a doctor, and I'm pre-vet. We talked about his pre-med roommate for a little.

**Kurt:** When I told her that I worked at a summer camp, she got really excited and asked how I felt about kids. I thought that was a typical reaction from a girl with strong religious beliefs. I was concerned.

**Amy:** He made it very clear that he viewed Christians as pro-life Bible thumpers, and I felt like I had to defend my views against his stereotypes of Christians. At one point, he asked me if I even knew who Rick Santorum was. It was very rude.

**Kurt:** She told me that she was on the fence about liking Rick Santorum. I don't think I even need to comment on why that's a problem.

**Amy:** There was definitely no flirting going on from my end, and I really didn't feel any from his end.

**Kurt:** We were friendly with each other, but there were no romantic undertones.

**Amy:** After dinner, we split at 14th Street as I was walking back to my house. I told him it was nice to meet him, and he just said "okay" and shook my hand.

**Kurt:** I offered to walk her to her house, but she said she was fine. We ended the night with an awkward handshake. It was not particularly engaging.

**Amy:** I would rate the date a 4. I don't know if he realized it, but he kept licking his silverware, which creeped me out a little. We had [some] interesting conversation, and he seemed really passionate about things like English and his writing.

**Kurt:** I would give the date a 5.5. It was short because she was rushed to get back to her work, and I would have preferred to go to the bluegrass concert instead of dinner. I had moved my car in preparation and everything. I found her lack of adventurous spirit a bit off-putting.

**Amy:** I would love to chat with him if we ran into each other, but I wouldn't ask him to go to the movies or anything.

**Kurt:** I'm not sure what will happen after this. I have her name if I want to contact her, but I want to hear her side of the story before I make my next move.

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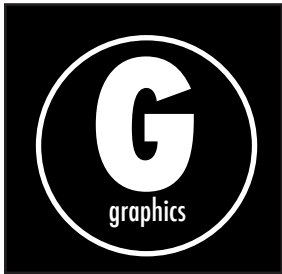
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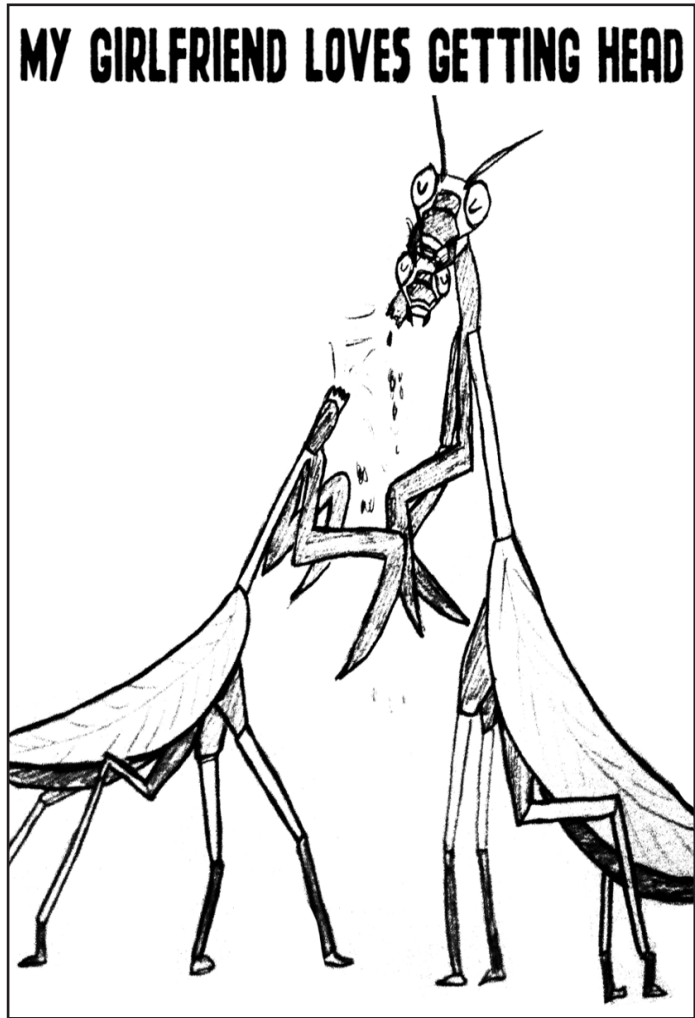
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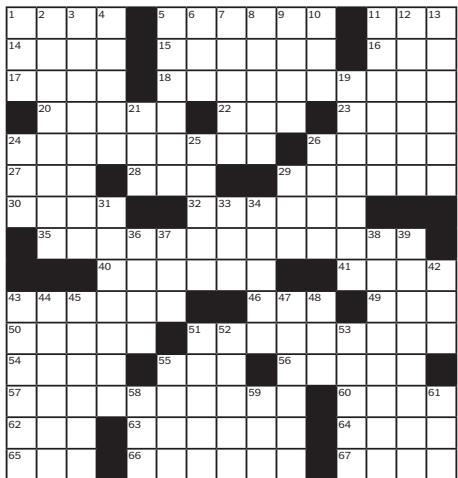
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Gabs, gabs, gabs
  - 5 One jumping to conclusions, say
  - 11 Piece of gig gear
  - 14 Eve's mate
  - 15 Like Swiss mountains
  - 16 "\_\_\_ whillikers!"
  - 17 Prefix with potent
  - 18 Tiny bagel flavors
  - 20 Fairy tale bullies
  - 22 Pasture
  - 23 Delete with a cross
  - 24 Two in craps
  - 26 Cycle after wash
  - 27 Christmas tree
  - 28 Laudatory poem
  - 29 Makeshift bookmark
  - 30 Spanish bears
  - 32 Put bubbles in
  - 35 Ones getting all A's
  - 40 Keynote address presenter
  - 41 Adjust, as sails
  - 43 Like stencils and missing persons
  - 46 Happy \_\_\_ clam
  - 49 Org. on a toothpaste box
  - 50 12-inch sandwiches
  - 51 Room decoration with a pattern
  - 54 Subj. concerned with booms, crashes and panics
  - 55 Sack
  - 56 Music devices with earbuds
  - 57 Obsolescent Kodak product
  - 60 See 62-Across
  - 62 With 60-Across, doing great ... or where to find 18-, 24-, 35-, 51- and 57-Across?
- DOWN**
- 1 Eight-time N.B.A. All-Star
  - 2 Ming
  - 2 Upbraid
  - 3 Old TV's Captain
  - 4 Smile that's not a warm smile
  - 5 Fell off the wagon, say
  - 6 "Don't Bring Me Down" grp.
  - 7 Fruit to bob for
  - 8 Plumbing, largely
  - 9 "Orinoco Flow" singer
  - 10 Hi-\_\_\_ image
  - 11 Early toddlerhood
  - 12 Gorgon with venomous locks
  - 13 Keep bothering
  - 19 Demanding immediate attention
  - 21 Help-wanted letters
  - 24 Calif. air hub
  - 25 It makes bread rise
  - 26 Learning by recitation
  - 29 Mom's mate
  - 31 Shaved ice treat
  - 33 W.W. II command area: Abbr.
  - 63 Ultimatum words
  - 64 "There's nothing \_\_\_!"
  - 65 12 oz. and others
  - 66 Special Forces caps
  - 67 Some Dadaist pieces

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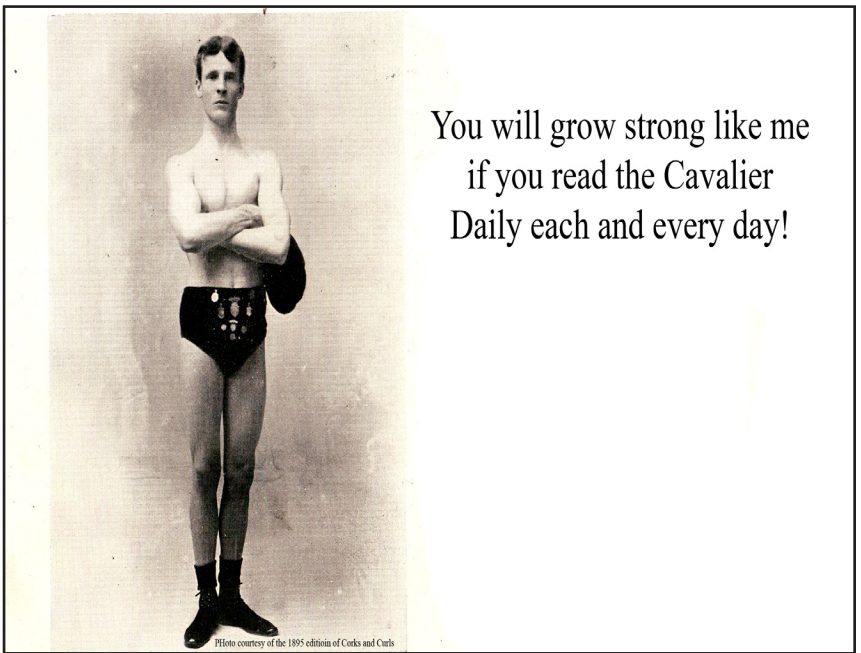
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- 34 Opposite of urban
- 36 Magnetite and others
- 37 "Totally awesome!"
- 38 Hidden exit
- 39 Lose forward traction
- 42 Spoil
- 43 Moon jumper, in "Hey Diddle Diddle"
- 44 Take back, as testimony
- 45 Scents
- 47 Smears with gunk
- 48 Purchase from the iTunes Store
- 51 Cracker
- 52 Nimble
- 53 Important blood line
- 55 Unadorned
- 58 \_\_\_ blind
- 59 W.W. II vessel
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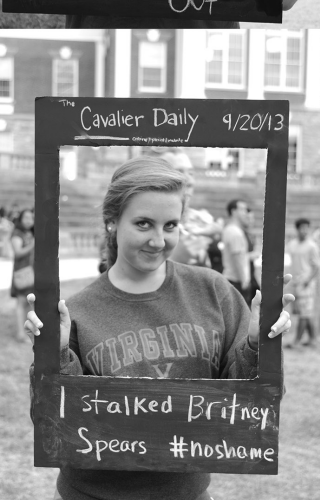
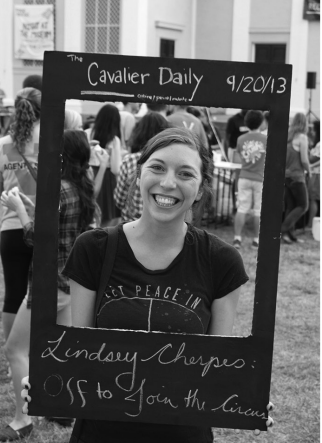
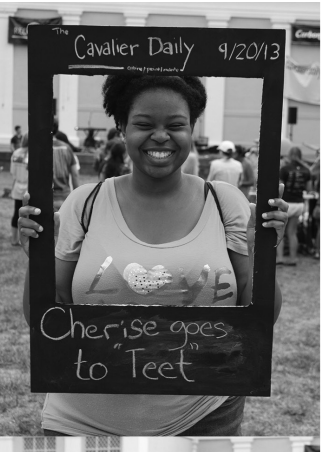
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