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ThePulse

Bite-size news you can use

Rock musician and
Williamsburg native Bruce Hornsby will perform on Jay Leno's new show Thursday night with music legend Eric Clapton. Hornsby and his band the Noisemakers released a new album, "Levi-tate," today.

Williamsburg residents
want to know: What's up with the Wawa dorm? Michael J. Fox, President Reveley's chief of staff, updated the Neighborhood Council of Williamsburg Saturday morning on "the Triangle Project," so named because it will replace three dilapidated buildings the College owns on Richmond Road. It will house 56 students above a retail area on the first floor, he said, and is expected to open in the fall of 2011.

Fox noted the poor economy
has hurt efforts to find retailers to fill out space on the first floor.

Glenn Close '74 will likely
win another Best Drama Actress Emmy this year, the Los Angeles Times says. Although the College alum is facing some tough contenders, including Elisabeth Moss, Mariska Hargitay and Kyra Sedgwick, critic Tom O'Neil notes: "At the end of the day, can anyone really win this category over the dynamite of Glenn Close? Probably not."

If you passed by the Sunken Garden
Sunday you may have heard the joyful screams as sororities handed out bids. Fraternities began distributing bids yesterday; they have until Wednesday, Sept. 23, to add pledges.

The College may have lost
its world record claim to the "Thriller" dance, but with yesterday's passing of actor Patrick Swayze, perhaps students could get back in the Guinness book by doing some "Dirty Dancing."

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Out of Season

Tribe (fashion) fever



Fashion blogger Gabrielle Eriquez reviews must-own Tribewear.

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For tailgating, try gourmet

Food blogger Nicole Oderisi rescues drab tailgates with her simple and tasty recipe for steak and goat cheese crostini.

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DONNING THEIR SUNDAY BEST



CATTILIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

Hundreds of members of various sororities at the College line up at the head of the Sunken Garden Sunday to celebrate Bid Day. Bid Day, which takes place once per semester, is when prospective recruits are offered the opportunity, or bid, to join a specific sorority on campus.

SA passes bill to revise existing code

Transparency to improve with changes

By MEGHAN BOHN
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Last Monday, the Student Assembly at the College of William and Mary passed the 2009 Omnibus Code Update Act, a measure that reforms the current SA code.

The bill was sponsored by Sen. Ben Brown '11.

"The current code is extremely outdated and hasn't been updated in a few years," Brown said.

Although no current senators assisted him, Brown said that former Sens. Matt Beato '10 and Ryan Ruzic J.D. '11 were extremely helpful in making revisions.

The legislation strikes repetitive sections of the code, as well as any superfluous language. References to bills of

which the SA no longer has record were also deleted.

In what appears to be the most substantive change to the code, the Senate Outreach Committee, in conjunction with the Executive Outreach Department, is now required to compose quarterly reports detailing the proceedings of the SA. These reports will be e-mailed to all students by the president during the fall, winter, spring and summer breaks.

Originally a requirement of the Accessibility Act, these newsletters are aimed at notifying students of SA activity. Each report will contain information on passed and pending legislation, the location and times of upcoming SA meetings, current projects and opportunities for student involvement.

This addition to the code is aimed at increasing the SA's transparency by

giving students greater access to the most detailed information possible. In the past, the SA had attempted to send out weekly e-mails to students. These efforts, however, were unsuccessful.

Students will also have a greater chance to voice their opinions at senate meetings. There will now be time reserved at the beginning and end of each meeting to allow public comment from members of the College or other outside observers. Previously, time for commentary was guaranteed only at the end of the proceedings.

A number of sections in the code were expanded, but not substantially changed. Language was clarified in clauses pertaining to the veto process, the confirmation of the Public Affairs secretary and the appointment of the executive.

Other changes simply reflect

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First H1N1 case appears at the College

By JACK POLLOCK
The Flat Hat

The College of William and Mary reported its first case of swine flu Friday at 4 p.m. Officials at the Student Health Center notified the College that a student contracted the H1N1 virus, more commonly known as swine flu.

The student, whose identity was not released, is currently recovering at their private residence.

Since Friday, the College's plan for containing the H1N1 virus has remained the same.

"We are very comfortable with our plan, which is self-isolation and continuing to educate people," Student Health Center Director Dr. Virginia D. Wells said.

Students with the virus are encouraged to recover at home and avoid public places until they have not experienced flu symptoms for at least 24 hours. They are also encouraged to contact their professors to keep up with coursework.

Without a vaccination, information is the greatest preventive measure the College can offer. Campus posters with basic hygiene tips, along with a website dedicated to providing updates on the swine flu are available to students. The College has also provided more hand sanitizers in high-traffic locations on campus.

According to an online statement issued by the Vice President for Administration Anna Martin, the H1N1 vaccination is expected to be available by mid-October and will be given free of charge.

While students await the H1N1 shot, the Student Health Center has used seasonal flu vaccinations as an opportunity to prepare for the spread of H1N1. Last Wednesday, the health center handed out "flu packs" in the Sadler Center that included masks, bottles of hand sanitizer and information on preventing influenza. 811 students, faculty and administrators received the vaccination.

"The first step is to actually immunize people for seasonal flu, so when the H1N1 vaccine becomes available we will be ready to provide that vaccine," Wells said. "We were very successful in our first campaign to get folks immunized against seasonal flu, so you start that as a springboard for educating people about hand washing and hand sanitizer."

While most cases of the virus on college

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College housing emphasized in local meeting

Ambler focuses on town-gown relations

By ALEX GUILLÉN
Flat Hat Online Editor

On-campus housing, fraternity housing and town-gown relations are major concerns for the College of William and Mary administration this year, Vice President for Student Affairs Ginger Ambler '88 Ph.D. '06 told area residents at the Neighborhood Council of Williamsburg's monthly meeting Saturday.

Ambler, the NCW's featured speaker this month, answered questions from residents on those topics and others.

After introducing herself, Ambler also discussed her responsibilities in the Student Affairs Office, which include residence life, campus events, student activities and some facilities management.

Ambler outlined her top priorities for the year: graduate student affairs, developing a strategic plan and the construction of the new Career Center. The majority of her discussion focused on housing and town-gown relations.

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City, College work to solve parking issue

Sen. Olszewski negotiates 30 additional sites at city's N. Henry St. deck

By IAN BRICKEY
Flat Hat Assoc. News Editor

An unlikely party is alleviating the problematic parking situation at the College of William and Mary. The City of Williamsburg is creating thirty additional spots in the Prince George Parking Garage at 230 North Henry St. for student use, bringing the total number of available spaces to 60.

The garage, operated by the city, originally designated only 30 spots for students. Student Assembly Sen. Jill Olszewski '12 said the motivation for the new parking spaces began with a conversation at a town-gown function.

"At the event where the Student Assembly met with [Williamsburg] Mayor [Jeanne] Zeidler and other members of the city council and city officials, I was talking with [City Chief of Police] Mike Yost, and mentioned that we had parking problems on campus," Olszewski said.

Olszewski said she noticed that the parking garage was rarely filled to capacity and wanted to know if there was any way to accommodate more students.

"I wanted to know if there was any way we could get extra spots for students," Olszewski said. "He made some calls, and the next day he said 'we can get [you] 30 more spots.'"

Parking in the garage comes with a list of rules and regulations set by the city. Olszewski listed the guidelines in an e-mail sent to students who had inquired about parking.

"In paying to park in the garage, you are given a permit for the garage, a key card used to enter and exit the garage and guaranteed parking 24 [hours a day]," Olszewski said. "You are also allowed to leave your car in the garage

during the various breaks throughout the year. You can park your car on any level, but if you intend to leave your car in the garage overnight, you must be on the third level. Unfortunately, if you have a student pass for on campus parking, it is not transferable to the Williamsburg Parking Garage."

Spaces in the garage can be bought

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SUN PARK — THE FLAT HAT

The parking deck, which is scheduled to hold more spaces for students, is located on N. Henry

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Weather

Tuesday



High 90°
Low 68°

Wednesday



High 81°
Low 68°

Thursday



High 79°
Low 67°

Source: weather.com

A THOUSAND WORDS



CAITLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

“The turtle had come out of the water to sunbathe on the edge of the Crim Dell. It was so still that there was algae growing on its back.”

News in Brief

College NSCS chapter receives STAR status

The College of William and Mary's chapter of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars was awarded a Silver STAR at the organization's annual convention Aug. 15.

Thirty colleges and universities received Silver STARS, 60 were awarded Gold STARS and five received Platinum STARS.

Students who their completed freshman year with a grade-point average of 3.4 or finished in the top 20 percent of their class are invited to join NSCS. This year's induction of 195 students will take place at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4.

Adjunct Law School staff member receives award

College of William and Mary Law School Dean Davison Douglas presented adjunct faculty member Neal Robinson J.D. '92 with the 2009-2012 St. George Tucker Adjunct Professorship Aug. 28.

Robinson is currently a partner at Spirn, Tarley, Robinson and Tarley, P.L.L.C. in Williamsburg where he currently specializes in mergers and acquisitions, as well as corporate and securities law. He graduated from the College's law school in 1992 and has been a member of the adjunct faculty since 2003. In the past two years, he has co-taught the course Entrepreneurship: Business and Legal Problems.

The professorship, created in 1995, is awarded annually to a member of the law school's adjunct faculty for excellence in teaching. This year's award was presented during a luncheon at the Alumni House.

— by Bertel King, Jr.

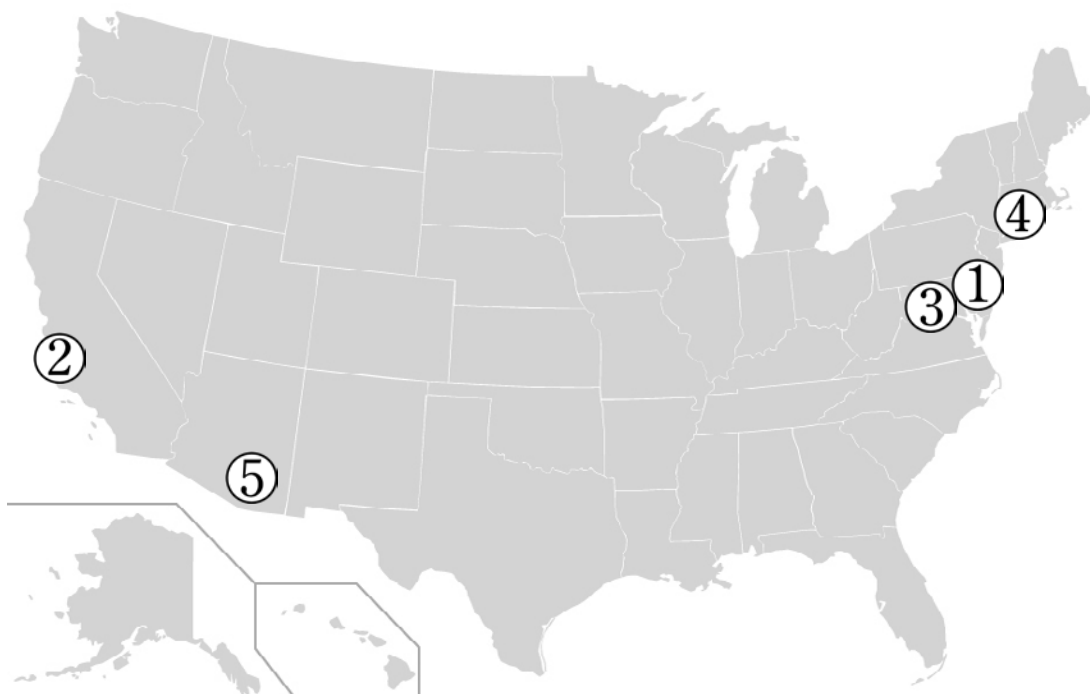
BEYOND THE 'BURG

1 University of Maryland — College Park has doubled police patrol to reduce partying. Police officers from the university Department of Public Safety are breaking up parties, confiscating kegs and arresting people for providing alcohol to minors. Students can face administrative charges if they are caught. The university recently ranked 11th on Playboy's listing of the top 25 party schools.

2 San Jose State University students and faculty rallied last Wednesday to protest state budget cuts to the California State University System. Over 1,600 student complaints were given to the Office of the Provost during the rally, which was organized by one of the 19 chapters of the organization Students for Quality Education. Another protest is planned for the first mandatory furlough day.

3 First Lady Michelle Obama promised to speak at George Washington University's 2010 Commencement if the university's students, faculty and staff collectively complete 100,000 community service hours by springtime. Obama announced the challenge on the university's first annual Freshman Day of Service, Friday. Service hours will be recorded by the university's Office of Community Service.

4 The body of Annie Le, a doctoral student at Yale University, was found in a wall chase of a secure Yale building Sunday, the same day she was supposed to get married. Police believe her murder is a targeted attack and are currently analyzing a "large amount" of physical evidence. Bloody clothing was found in the ceiling of a lab of the same building in which Le's body was discovered.



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— by Ameya Jammi

5 Medical school uses robots as teaching tools

Mannequins replicate delivery process for University of Arizona students

By IAN BRICKEY
Flat Hat Assoc. News Editor

With the help of computerized robotic mannequins, students at the University of Arizona College of Medicine are getting hands-on experience delivering babies.

The robots, Noelle and her "baby" Hal, were purchased by Arizona's University Medical Center through a \$40,000 grant from Guarnard Scientific, a Miami-based medical equipment manufacturer.

To create the most life-like representations, the robots are programmed to say over 20 words and phrases including, "it really hurts now" and "the baby is coming."

"It makes me laugh when Noelle says, 'don't touch me!' And it's so lifelike that the med students look at each other and back

away," Charge Nurse at UMC Margie Neish said to Fox News.

Both robots can be used to simulate labor and delivery, as well as the many complications that can occur during those processes. Cesarean sections, hemorrhaging and umbilical cord strangulation are a few of the situations that medical students can simulate with the robots.

The use of robots is increasing at many medical schools across the country.

"People are in the simulation lab all the time — up to 20 medical students, plus numerous residents a week, [and] at least 3,000 individuals in the past year for more than 4,000 training hours," Chief of Technical and Laboratory Services at UMC David Biffar said to Fox News.

The robots allow medical students to

gain familiarity with critical injuries and situations before seeing them in the field.

The trauma robots bleed, have eyes that blink and dilate, and are capable of having anesthesia and breathing tubes inserted.

"Trauma training day is the best," Biffar said to Fox News. "There's lots of blood then. It gets all over the students."

By working with the robots, UMC students are able to obtain firsthand experience they could not receive from reading a medical textbook.

In situations in which time is critical, like childbirth, working with robots like Noelle prepares medical students for their first emergency experiences.

"[It's as] close to a real [situation] as you're going to get with any kind of a simulator," Neish said to Fox News.

STREET BEAT

In light of the budget cuts, how should the College save money?



"Couple the talents of students with the needs of the administration."

Emily Bartlett '10



"Focus on energy efficacy. Use the weight room as a source of energy."

Luke Pickett '11



"Have textbooks available online."

Katie Stiffler '13



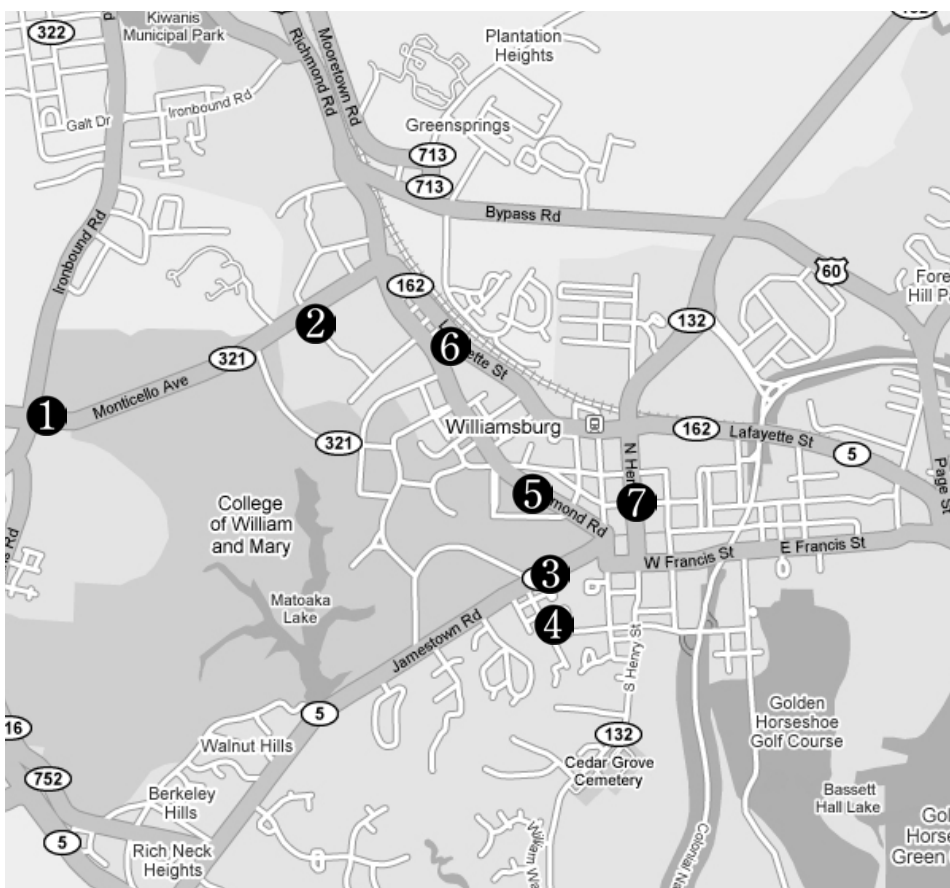
"Cut all sports besides football and womens gymnastics."

Brian Nance '12
and Elliot Wegman '12

— photos and interviews by Dylan Murray

CITY POLICE BEAT

August 29 to September 7



COURTESY GRAPHIC — GOOGLE MAPS

- 1 **Saturday, Aug. 29** — An individual was arrested for public drunkenness on the 5000 block of Monticello Rd.
- 2 — An individual was arrested for reckless driving and possession of marijuana on the 1300 block of Mt. Vernon Ave. The vehicle was damaged.
- 3 — An individual was arrested for driving under the influence and underage possession of alcohol on the 300 block of Jamestown Rd.
- 4 — An individual was arrested for public drunkenness and underage possession of alcohol on the 300 block of Griffin Ave.
- 5 — An individual was arrested for a noise violation on the 300 block of Richmond Rd.
- 6 **Sunday, Aug. 30** — An individual was arrested for public drunkenness and underage possession of alcohol on the 100 block of Wythe Ln.
- 4 — An individual was arrested for public drunkenness and underage possession of alcohol on the 300 block of Griffin Ave.
- 7 **Wednesday, Sept. 2** — An individual was arrested for public drunkenness on the 400 block of Prince George St.

— compiled by Ameya Jammi

Health center combats flu with vaccinations, education

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campuses are mild, swine flu has created quite a stir at the College. Dave Stingle '10 was one of the many students who received the vaccination.

"I arrived five minutes late and there already was a pretty long line there," Stingle said. "Even though it

can't protect me from swine flu, at least it's something."

Many students are taking it upon themselves to avoid the virus by improving their hygiene.

"I think everyone at William and Mary is very aware of swine flu. The sanitizers are definitely out in full force," Stingle said.

Three participants at a summer program hosted by the College were infected with swine flu in late June, but until Friday, the College was free of the pandemic during the academic year. Friday's case is unlikely to be the last.

"We certainly expected to see the flu on campus," College Spokesman Brian Whitson said via e-mail. "Like

all universities, we'll likely have more cases [of the flu]. That is why we have been preparing and why we want to continue to educate folks on campus about precautions."

The virus has hit campuses hard across the nation, particularly in the Washington, DC area.

The University of Maryland has

reported 435 cases of flu-like illness, while the University of Virginia has logged 95. According to the American College Health Association, 72 percent of schools have reported influenza-like illness as of Sept. 4. The Center for Disease Control has announced that 98 percent of newly reported flu cases are H1N1.

Ambler seeks solutions for housing issues

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"Expanding our residential capacity ... continues to be a major focus for us," Ambler said. "We've talked about a 200 to 250-person facility. We are continuing to look at that."

Fraternity housing is a specific issue the administration hopes to tackle, she said.

"Our fraternity housing complex really doesn't meet the needs of the students who live there right now," she said. "They're large facilities; they were built in the '60s or '70s at a time when fraternities were larger."

Ambler said she is working with the Council on Fraternity Affairs to determine what can be

done about housing issues.

"Short- and long-term solutions for the fraternity housing situation are a priority of mine, and a priority of the president as well," she said.

Improving town-gown relations is another of the administration's top priorities.

"All of us, from the president on down, including our student leadership, is committed to seeing some improvement in town-gown relations this year," Ambler said.

One resident asked if the College had a hotline for neighbors to call regarding the behavior of student renters.

"The Virginia Gazette has talked a lot about

a hotline. We don't have a hotline number, we don't have the staff to monitor a hotline and we're not inclined to operate a hotline," Ambler said. "The College is ready to step in and to offer assistance when other strategies are not working or when there's repeated behavior that is concerning neighbors. So there isn't a number a neighbor can call at 2 o'clock in the morning if something loud is happening next door. That's an opportunity for neighbors and residents to hopefully have had a conversation and to try and address that one-on-one in a personal way, and if the behavior is outrageous or out of control, that's the job of the police."

New elections code clarifies campaign protocols

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procedures that the SA has already put into practice, and the code was modified to bring it into agreement with the SA's present actions.

"Bills have been passed during my time here but they haven't even been included in the Code," Brown said. "When you look at the old one, it looks like it is for a completely different organization."

Sections outlining the more recent Executive Department additions of Student Outreach, Student Rights and Student Life were added to the code.

The title of "Independent Agencies," those not under the authority of a single branch, was

changed to Joint Agencies.

The rules guiding the election of committee chairs and secretaries are also clarified in the new code. Committee elections were previously conducted "as the committee shall see fit."

"This left the door wide open for a potentially unfair or undemocratic election," Brown said.

In the confirmation of executive appointees, the president must now submit a brief summary of the reasons behind each individual's selection.

A new requirement has also been implemented for sponsors of bills that are requesting funds. These sponsors are now required to verbally disclose whether or not they are members of the organization for

which they are requesting funds when they introduce the bill on the floor.

The terms regulating how SA elections are to be conducted were also adjusted by this legislation, and the term "campaigning" was further defined. Only declared candidates themselves can solicit individuals to serve on a campaign staff.

"This is to prevent campaigning activities from snowballing into generalized campaigning," Beato's comments on the revisions explained.

In response to events of the election in March 2009, Beato and Brown saw fit to specifically ban the destruction of another candidate's campaign materials. This change does not apply

to erasing campaign messages written on chalkboards.

The legislation also provides candidates with a mechanism to withdraw their candidacy at any point 24 hours prior to the election. Candidate tickets for president and vice president can change up to seven days before the election.

Although there appear to be a considerable number of changes, Brown emphasized that he did not write a completely new SA code.

"I just want to clear up the fact that we did not re-write the Student Assembly code at all," he said. "We just want it to represent our current organization. It is the overall effort of the bill that is extremely important."

City garage increases student parking capacity

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on a semester or yearly basis, although the price can vary.

"The Semester Pass for College Students costs \$250 per Semester (\$50 per Month)," Garage Supervisor Ronald Roob said in an e-mail. "The total owed is lowered as the Semester progresses."

Because the garage is operated by the city and not the College, students must purchase the parking pass through city offices.

"[Students] can go to the parking garage and pay by check or go to the municipal building and pay by credit card, [then] pick up the key card at the garage," Olszewski said.

The Prince George Parking Garage presents a new option for student drivers previously


limited to parking in the few select areas on campus.

"It's a great opportunity for undergraduates and graduate students, and I hope students take advantage of it," Olszewski said.

Recent disagreements over issues like the three-person rule and the city's new noise ordinance have put members of the College and city communities at odds.

The collaboration between the SA and city officials to remedy the College's parking situation could help mend town-gown relations, which have been contentious recently.

"I think that ... it shows how much the city wants to branch out and help students," Olszewski said. "The city is willing to help if it's something they can do."



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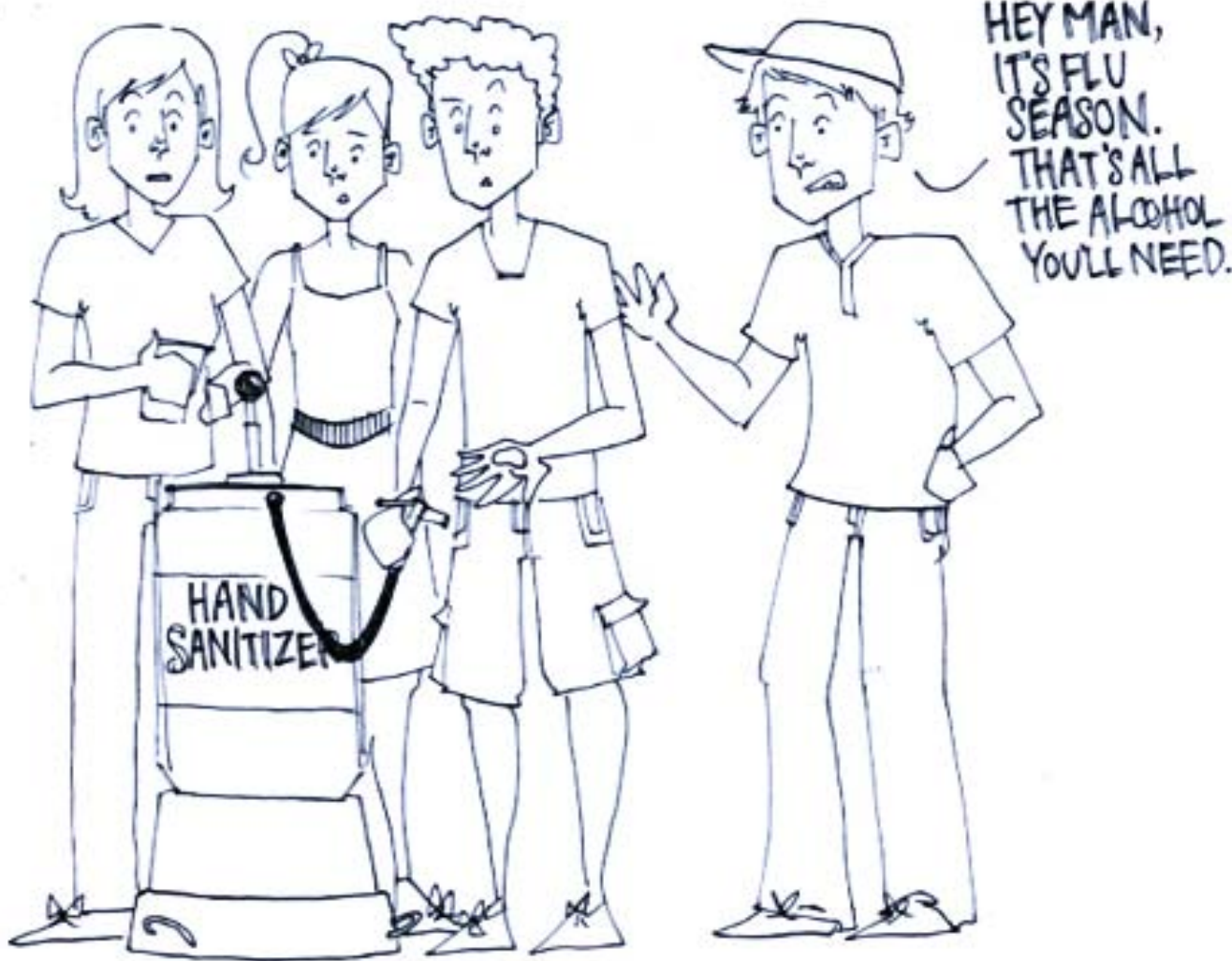
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FreedomWorks fails to cure what ails

Harrison Roday
FLAT HAT GUEST COLUMNIST



It happened when the far left protested to immediately withdraw all troops from Iraq: a national dialogue about responsible drawdown versus extended occupation was marred by protesters calling then-President George W. Bush a war criminal and demanding withdrawal, no matter the cost to Iraqi security in the short term or U.S. security in the long term. Then it happened again Saturday, when a few thousand people marched on Washington, D.C. as part of a FreedomWorks march. FreedomWorks, an organization that claims to stand for “Lower Taxes, Less Government, More Freedom,” sounds pretty good at first, but the organization instead turned into an outlet for misinformation and scare tactics.

FreedomWorks’s mission, “to educate Americans about free-market economics,” is a laudable, if limited, goal. Its board of directors, including Steve Forbes of Forbes Magazine, certainly knows a thing or two about economics. However, FreedomWorks fails to communicate to its grassroots membership that the definition of socialized medicine is a full-government takeover of healthcare, not the limited public option that President Barack Obama is proposing. Of course, FreedomWorks knows that ObamaCare is not socialism, but if they admit that, what will happen to its chances of killing the healthcare bill? Perhaps FreedomWorks has simply been hijacked by talk show hosts and a small, yet increasingly loud, faction of the Republican Party.

With people carrying signs like, “Glen Beck for President” (his name is Glenn) and “Bury ObamaCare with Kennedy” (talk about disrespectful), FreedomWorks’s protest has grabbed headlines on the internet and on paper. Instead of having a national

dialogue about real solutions for our healthcare problem, we are once again stuck in the muck of abrasive, partisan politics. FreedomWorks is in a unique position to present legitimate arguments and alternatives to Congress’s plan. For some reason, it’s chosen to try and see who can yell the loudest and, apparently, they don’t have a problem toting signs with swastikas either. We deserve better.

The news of the FreedomWorks march is by no means limited to the national press. Even in our own Flat Hat, we see lead-ins like, “much like car insurance, a truly competitive free market will bring prices down.” Once again, the teaser of a rational premise leads to the absurd: “For argument’s sake, assume that ObamaCare eventually works much like Canada’s public option,” wrote John Michael King ’12, in an editorial in the Sept. 10 edition of The Flat Hat. King distorts the view of the American Medical Student Association’s paper on waiting times. He fails to include that, “despite [anecdotal evidence], an objective look at the issue reveals that the evidence for waiting lists is inconclusive.” Additionally, how can we compare a

public option that the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office estimates will cover five percent of Americans to socialized medicine, a system where the state pays for everyone’s care? And then claim that our president is a socialist?

Instead, let’s change the tone of this debate, as a campus and as a nation. Let’s see what the final bill coming out of Congress looks like and debate on its merits. To be clear, there are legitimate concerns about an encroaching government. But using hyperbole to derail an important debate is not a solution. A discussion grounded in economics about how a public option could crowd out private insurers in the long run is interesting. Calling ObamaCare “socialism” is irresponsible. Rather than scoring cheap political points with scare tactics, we should check our facts and have a civilized discussion.

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Instead of having a dialogue about real solutions for our health care problem we are stuck in the muck of partisan politics.

Running on empty, some students are stressed about staying slim

Tim MacFarlan
FLAT HAT GUEST COLUMNIST



Watch the roads around campus for any length of time and you’ll see them.

Usually there’s just the one; other times it’s a pair and sometimes even a whole pack of runners, pounding the pavements. Visit the College of William and Mary Student Recreation Center, and you’ll see more, arranged in neat rows with the same intense expressions: half-open mouths and glistening foreheads.

One of the things that struck me upon coming to the College is how seriously many students take their physical fitness. On the one hand, this is not a bad thing, as the combination of three all-you-care-to-eat meals a day and many sedentary hours spent studying can certainly take its toll on one’s waistline. Equally, a lot of students play sports, which require serious time and effort on the road and in the gym in order to stay competitive. However,

I can’t help thinking that a lot of this exertion is motivated by a shared sense of insecurity about our bodies as much as it is by a rational desire to be fitter and healthier.

Take this for example: I recently overheard someone talking about how he had seen a friend out jogging. His immediate reaction to this was to say that it made him feel bad about himself. Even though this may have been said in jest, it still gets to the heart of what is dangerous about this collective desire for physical betterment. Rather than being happy that his friend was out getting fit, the student felt that what he saw reflected poorly on him and made him feel inadequate.

Seeing so many perfectly proportioned athletes strutting about campus can be similarly intimidating, forcing us to look critically at our own bodies and what we put on our plates at lunch — even though we may never be able to look like them, nor would it be healthy for us to try.

I, too, am guilty. I run and use the gym as much for my physical appearance as to improve my soccer

skill and maintain a healthy level of fitness. When I was out jogging recently I was particularly annoyed by a shirtless student who overtook me with such galling ease. In fact I was so disconcerted by the echoing sound of my own footfalls that, at one point, I sped up to a manic pace thinking that there was another runner behind me and that I’d be damned before I let someone else get past. This was when my running stopped being about physical fitness or even appearance, and became about ego and my unwillingness to accept that there are people on this campus who can run faster than I can. This is an example of when fitness becomes unhealthy.

This is not to say that being motivated by those around you to get slimmer is a bad thing. Human beings by their very nature are driven to compete whether it be your classmate’s grade point average or his score on “Call of Duty.” The most important thing to keep in perspective is that friendly competition should drive you to perform better, not to feel inferior.

STAFF EDITORIALS

BOV is back in the ‘Burg

This week the kingmakers will be in town. The Board of Visitors holds its first meeting of the semester this week, and, by all accounts, this two-day discussion will be one to watch.

The timing of these meetings will set their tone. Perhaps the economy is bouncing upward and away from rock bottom, but the state’s budget is still reeling from a fiscal emergency. The most recent round of budget cuts will force the BOV and our administration to make some difficult decisions. We hope they are able to act judiciously, hopefully without resorting to mid-year tuition increases, as they decide how to best handle this unfortunate situation.

Every year during these meetings, the strategic plan of the College of William and Mary is laid out. And this time around a new dynamic will be in play: For the first time, our largely new administration — led by our new president — will have an opportunity to showcase the work it has been doing over the last year. We wish it the best, and hope it succeeds, especially given the recent budgetary strains.

For most students, these meetings normally pass unnoticed, and we understand why this is the case. Although all of this week’s meetings will be open to the public, none will be open to public comment. And perhaps more to the point, the BOV rarely tackles issues which are immediately relevant to the everyday student.

Even so, there is much value in being informed about the goings-on of those who are responsible for keeping this school on the right path. If you have the chance, step into one of their meetings, or at least digest the coverage found in this paper or others. Future generations of students will thank you.

SA, city expand parking

The city’s recent decision to open up 30 more parking spaces for students in the Prince George Parking Garage warms the cockles of our hearts. Although we should know better, we tentatively hope the spirit of cooperation for mutual betterment this deal represents will set the tone for the upcoming Williamsburg Planning Commission meetings.

This deal was possible because it worked with beautiful simplicity to satisfy the needs of both parties involved. The city’s garage had a surplus of available parking, and students needed places to park, for which they are willing to pay. While this kind of arrangement is not going to realign the trenches in the housing debate, we love the tone it sets for town-gown relations.

One lesson learned is that communication between the College of William and Mary and the city should always be a priority of both the administration and the Student Assembly. SA Sen. Jill Olszewski ’12 should be commended for her foresight in proposing this deal to Williamsburg Chief of Police Mike Yost, whose eager responsiveness should also be applauded.

Furthermore, we see this as a perfect example of how compromise can always be reached when creative minds get together. Although parking can be as much of a problem in Williamsburg as it is on campus, there was still a way for the city to respond to students’ needs to its own benefit. The same can be done in the housing debate, if only the planning commission is able to get past the same kind of regressive name calling that has bogged down this debate for years.

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College is a time for many students to reach a level of fitness that they may never again attain, so we shouldn’t let that pass us by.

However, next time you get on the treadmill or pick up a dumbbell it is worth remembering why you’re doing it. Is it because your environment has created an unrealistic standard of bodily perfection? I encourage all students, in the words of Thomas Jefferson, to “leave all the afternoon

for exercise and recreation, which are as necessary as reading. I will rather say more necessary because health is worth more than learning.” However, it is important to keep in mind that while college is great place for self-improvement, it should also be a place where you can feel comfortable in your own skin and be free of superficial scrutiny.

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MICHELLE GABRO — THE FLAT HAT

Afromotive, the 8-piece Afrobeat Band from Asheville, N.C., performed on the Terrece outside of the Sadler Center for last week's Friday's @ 5. The band is helping to start a new wave of up-tempo afrobeat music, fusing West African rhythms, song forms and instrumentation with funk, improvisation and straight-ahead dance beats.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

The ghosts of love-lives past

Maya Horowitz

FLAT HAT SEX COLUMNIST



Oh, what I wouldn't give to live in a sexual vacuum where every man is pressure-sealed and packaged just for me. There would be no complications, no exes and no prior history to deal with.

But I don't live in a vacuum. All my hookups aren't packaged with my approval all the time. I live here, in Williamsburg, with a meager 5,850 undergraduates to choose from. You'd think with a number that high we could all hook up with different people, but somehow it never happens that way.

At some point during these four years, many will find themselves hooking up with someone who has already been with their friend. It's bound to happen at a school our size or of any size, really. Friend groups form, and incest follows. It's the natural way.

So what is proper etiquette in this situation?

Accept that there will be a little awkwardness. Tell yourself that awkwardness isn't that bad. Often times, acknowledging that a situation is awkward will fix the problem — and a little tension can make sex even spicier.

Ask yourself a few questions about your new lover's past. How recently was he or she with your friend? How long were they

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THAT GUY

Humor guides Richard Walsh to graduation

By LAUREN BILLINGSLEY
Flat Hat That Guy Columnist

At our Daily Grind coffee date, I quickly find that Richard Walsh's animated handshake and bright orange polo shirt match his equally vibrant presence and personality. With charming social graces and a personable character, I can't help but love talking and laughing with this senior about the role of humor in his life and why he loves the College of William and Mary so much. A fraternity man, three-year AMP member and fan of the Green Leaf Cafe, Richard is a great representation of the enthusiasm and dedication of the College's student body.

You interviewed prospective students this summer for an internship at the College's Admission's Office and asked a lot of students what three adjectives they would use to describe themselves. What would your three be?

Probably not "decisive." I've got to work on that [laughs]. I would say "kind;" I think it's always important to be kind to others. I would say "concerned;" whenever I hear about something that's not right or something that could be better, especially if it's something that I'm involved in, I want to do my part and do my best to help it. "Kind," "concerned" and "diligent," I would say.

What news source do you most rely on?

I like the newspaper. I also find myself going on CNN.com because that's the way I can get most news quick. One of my big goals for the year is reading the news more often and being a more informed citizen. I'm very tempted to go to CNN and read an article about a flying squirrel, and I'm like no, read an article about gang violence or health care. I like the idea of having a physical newspaper though; I've always been a Washington Post kid, growing up.

How do you feel about Jon Stewart '84 and Stephen Colbert?

I love them. I don't like that everyone's all excited about Jon Stewart when he doesn't really like William and Mary because that's really unfortunate, but I think Colbert's satirical approach to the news is so funny. There was an issue of Newsweek recently that Colbert stepped in and was the news editor for, and it was hilarious. On the front cover there was a picture of him with a shaved head with "Iraq" on the side.

What sense of humor do you most appreciate?

I feel like satirical humor, like Amy and David Sedaris. I don't know if you remember Kelly Quinn '09, but she is one of my favorite people, and I love Seventh Grade Sketch Comedy's shows. I love that silly and out-there humor.

Who is your favorite comedian?

I love Tina Fey. I absolutely love Tina Fey. I think that she's awesome, and I respect her for being a great actress and the role of being a good comedian, but also for writing.

Do you have a favorite word?

I love the color orange and the word "orange" is pretty cool since nothing rhymes with it. I love the movie "Mean Girls" and the character Damien when one of the girls asks how to spell orange. I think it's hysterical.

Who is your favorite author?

I think this is kind of a trite answer, but I like Mark Twain a lot, especially since I learned more about his life in a literature class I took

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CLUB SPORTS: RUGBY



CATLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

By EMILY MASON
The Flat Hat

While field hockey players compete for ball possession in a civilized fashion and cross country runners coast by practice fields, the women's rugby team practices by tumbling over one another in what appears to be a giant wrestling match.

The reason for this apparent wrestling match is team building, according to Elizabeth Forro '11. This is a practice session for the women's rugby club, and while to the untrained eye it merely looks like club members are taking spill after spill, they are in fact playing touch rugby. Falls usually occur as the players trip over each other.

"People think everyone gets injured. That's not true. We have fewer injuries than you'd think," Sarah Dean '11 said. "That's why we don't have to wear pads."

The lack of protection does not seem to deter new members. The main draw of the sport is that the rugby club teams do not feel like typical sports teams. There are no official try-outs; anyone is welcome to join, whatever their skill level and the team fosters an especially close bond.

"This Thursday night we have a social and we are together basically all day Saturday because we have games," Forro said. "The Women's rugby team in particular has a closeness that is not often seen. They give each other very distinctive nick-names: Diesel, Beans and Steiner are just a few of them. Outside of rugby, teammates often eat together and go to campus events together. Most of their social activities also

From friends to the field

Rugby wrestles passion into the game

involve watching football."

In fact, Dean said it feels more like a club than a sport in many ways. Outside of rugby, teammates often eat together and go to campus events together.

"There is a very close feeling amongst players," James McCulla '10, the men's rugby captain said. "It's almost like a fraternity feeling."

The Ed and Sandy Lee Tournament marks the end of the semester for the rugby team. The two-day tournament that determines whether the Women's team can go on to play in the Mid Atlantic Rugby Football Union tournament in the spring. While the tournament itself is a bonding experience, there are other opportunities that weekend.

"After the tournament, there's a themed-party, and we all go to target together and get outfits, it's ridiculous, and so fun," Forro said.

The closeness of both teams is evident just by watching them practice. The men's team is so intensely involved in their scrimmages that they do not want to stop and reset a play. While discussing strategy, the players express their desire to get the talking over quickly so they can keep playing. When McCulla finally gives

the instruction to play on, the team responds enthusiastically, screaming, "Maul."

The women's team has its own personality: everyone keeps laughing, even when they are getting bowled over by their teammates.

"We get really close," Forro said. "Especially with rookies, because it's hard to get new people interested, and then they're excited, and we're excited. It's nice."

A new addition to the women's team this year is Coach Chris Ball. A professor of psychology at the College of William and Mary, Ball is also an experienced rugby player who had played for a club in his native Australia for over ten years. While he has only been with the women's team for a few weeks, he is already impressed.

"They've already improved just from where they were," Ball said. "They're all very dedicated, and they're working so hard. It's a complex game. People don't appreciate that ... [these players] have courage."

Ball, like his players, is not scared to get his hands dirty. He jumps in to adjust their scrum — the distinctive tackle-like move that is more of an art form, according to Ball.

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CATLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

During men's club rugby practice, players pass the ball between each other. The team stays a tight-knit community on and off the field between practices, games, socials and hanging out together.

Enthusiasm colors rugby

Team blurs border between sport and club

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He also teaches new members how to properly fling the ball and helps with strategy.

"It's not gonna be perfect every time," he said. "You have to adapt to it."

Although rugby is not a common sport in the United States, that does not seem to discourage members of the men's and women's clubs at the College. The players are enthusiastic about the sport, even and perhaps most especially if they have not studied it before.

"We get a lot of converts who are bored with other sports," Forro said. "I'm the exception, not the rule."

While Forro played rugby for a team at her high school, having experienced players is not a common occurrence. Sarah Reschovsky '11, a transfer student from Kenyon college in Ohio, began playing on Kenyon's rugby team and decided to continue when she came to Williamsburg.

"The learning curve for rugby is very different, because most people [in the U.S.] haven't been exposed to it," Reschovsky said.

With a new batch of players this year, both the men's and women's teams like their odds.

"We have a lot of great rookies ... I think it's gonna be a great season," McCulla said.

However, the team does not only play to win — they play because they truly enjoy the sport.

"You don't get a lot of disgruntled rugby players," Forro said. "Because you have to love it, you have to be really into it to play. That's why we all get along really well — we're all having fun."

WANT MORE RUGBY?

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Womens

Oct. 3 Virginia Commonwealth University
Oct. 17 Longwood University
Oct. 21 University of Mary Washington

Mens

Sept. 26 Radford University
Oct. 17 Virginia Commonwealth University
Oct. 24 Virginia Military Institute



CAITLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

Club rugby players offer encouragement to a fellow teammate on the head during practice. Men's rugby club plays four days a week on Frat Field and IM Field. Outside of practices and games, the club spends a large amount of time together at socials and other club events.



BRIANNA MAY — THE FLAT HAT

Richard Walsh '10 is often seen around campus in various activities, although no longer a staple at AMP events. He uses humor to get through the sometimes stressful environment at the College.

Senior sees sunny side of campus

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here called Romance of the Road. I love just how Mark Twain was just his writing name and how he was so clever and so perceptive of what was really going on in the world at such an interesting time. And how he wrote "Huck Finn" and the big implications of it. I really admire people who broke the mold and who through amazing works of literature, were able to communicate their real opinions and thoughts about it at a time when it wasn't socially acceptable.

What are your feelings on dance parties? Fun or too sweaty?

I think you have to make a commitment to be sweaty to enjoy it; but really I think they are much more freshman-to-junior oriented. As a senior in Kappa Delta Rho, I like to be around to help regulate and make sure people are safe since I'm kind of like a nerdy grandpa like that. Risk management. At the same time, it's fun to go crazy at an impromptu dance club on campus before the Green Leaf Underground opens, which I don't know if it will ever happen.

Do you go to the delis often?

I did this summer. I definitely got to know them well, especially Corona night, but I quickly realized that every penny I was making was being spent at the Green Leaf, so I haven't been as much this year. But I really want to make sure I log some major deli time as a senior because I feel like that's what you gotta do.

What state would you most like to visit?

I really want to go to Wyoming because it would be really interesting. I really want to explore the state parks. I feel like going abroad last summer was really cool to see a lot of Europe, but I haven't even seen all of the United States, so I want to be able to do that before I have to get too settled in somewhere.

If you could have any superpower what would it be?

Teleportation. Flying is great, but what are you going to do when it rains? Have you thought about that? No, you haven't. Swimming underwater, breathing underwater — nope, great, but you're not going to go in the Crim Dell anyway.

You mentioned you are a YouTube aficionado. What are some must-sees?

"I like turtles" or "Zombie Kid Likes Turtles." Completely awkward, hilarious, brilliant. I try not to laugh at misfortune, but when people put the videos up themselves it's all right. So have you ever watched "Scarlett Takes a Tumble?" The remixes are the best. One more I'd say is "Grape Stomp." I kind of feel really bad about that one, but a lot of people watch it.

What's your favorite song currently playing on the radio?

I have terrible taste in music; like guilty pleasure music, and I love the Top 40. There's this song by this new artist Jason Derulo called "Whatcha Say" that's a sampling of Imogen Heap where he took the chorus and put it into this rap song. Also "Down" by Jay Sean. God, no taste, but it's so good. It's so bad, but it's so good. When they have no staying power, you know they are not going to be around for long, but they're damn good songs.

What are your favorite places on campus?

Lake Matoaka. Love Lake Matoaka. Dinwiddie, [my freshman dorm,] backs up to the Keck Lab and the dock, so I spent a lot of time on the dock. And the Amphitheatre is absolutely gorgeous.

You were involved in AMP for three years. What has been a standout event for you?

I miss AMP but it's also been nice getting more sleep. Definitely Blowout Bash, the party on the Sunken Garden on the last day of classes. When I saw that baby pool full of ice cream it was like a dream come true. Imagine those Baskin Robbins-size things of ice cream without any wrappings; there were cylinders of ice cream like towers. You could just go at it with a spoon and I wanted to de-stabilize it to make it fall apart.

As the interview ends and our conversation shifts into a comfortable chat, Richard and I start to talk about often-bashed campus housing structures, such as the Units and Botetourt. Richard defends life at the Units as someone who has been a resident there for the past three years, and gives the advice that in the end "It doesn't matter where you live" it just matters who you live with. It's a small expression of optimism, but I think it's a simple way to sum up Richard's sunny outlook on life.

Old hook-ups bring new problems

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together? How far did they go? Are there still residual feelings? Most importantly, find out why it ended ... from both of them. If there's a lesson to be learned from hooking up with this person, find out what it is before you learn it the hard way.

With those questions answered, try to move on. Don't form your opinion of your potential mate based on your friend's experience. Let your feelings for this person develop organically, without speeding up the process by learning his life story from your friend. Who knows? She might have missed something. It would be a shame for you to miss out on how cute his face can be in bed just because your friend keeps her eyes closed during sex.

Absolutely do not compare notes. This is insensitive to all parties involved. A little dish about your bedroom romp is fun, but everyone deserves privacy. You don't want anyone's feelings getting hurt — you could lose those sweaty love sessions, or you could lose a friend.

Leave your baggage at the door. Don't bring up your friend unless the time calls for it. You don't need to know about every detail of their time together; it probably won't change your relationship with

either of them. It also creates distance between the two of you with constant talk about someone else. Talk about yourself, you're the disco stick she wants to ride on.

As always, use protection. I remember my high school health class videos saying this, and I think it bears repeating: Every time you have sex with someone, you're having sex with everyone they've ever slept with.

Spread the love among your friends, but not the sexually transmitted infections.

Due to the current widespread panic over H1N1, I feel I should remind everyone that you should also administer a throat swab and culture it to see if they have the flu before even holding hands. Condoms and hand sanitizer are where it's at.

Also remember to look for

red flag's. Has this guy hooked up with more than two of your friends? Is he manwhoring himself out to your sorority? Has this girl moved from one of your friends to the next in less than a week? Is she truly interested in you and not using you to get back at your friend? Will your booty call screw up your groups' dynamics? All of these questions should be considered before getting together.

If you follow all of the above advice, there is a huge positive in this situation: You are doing the dirty with someone you know you can trust, and whom your friends already approve of. In the words of Paris Hilton, that's hot.

Maya Horowitz is The Flat Hat sex columnist. She keeps a Venn diagram of all lovers and friends, just in case.



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What's on TV

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— 7:10 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

#15 Georgia Tech vs. #20 Miami
— 7:30 p.m. Thursday on ESPN2



Sound bytes

"He said organizations win championships. I said, 'I didn't see organizations playing with the flu in Utah.'"

— Michael Jordan taking a final shot at former Chicago Bulls G.M. Jerry Krause in his Hall of Fame induction speech.



By the numbers

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Number of passing yards for Minnesota quarterback Brett Favre Sunday — his lowest total since 2007 — in the Vikings 34-20 victory over the Browns.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

VOLLEYBALL

Tribe take two out of three at weekend tournament

The College (7-3) took two out of three matches at the Georgetown Hoya Classic, defeating Georgetown and Hampton while losing to Maryland 3-0. The Tribe took down the host Hoyas Friday night, coming back after dropping the first two sets to win 3-2. After losing their first match Saturday to the Terps, the Tribe rebounded in its final game of the tournament to defeat Hampton 3-0. Sophomore outside hitter Lindsay Kresch was named to the all-tournament team for her effort. Junior hitter Ginny Bray was also honored, picking up the CAA Defensive Player of the Week Award after a career-high 12 blocks against Georgetown Friday.

GOLF

Men, women kick off fall play with mixed results

Both the men's and women's teams teed off their fall seasons last weekend, although at different locations. The women's team competed in the Bucknell Invitational, at which sophomore Caroline Sweet finished on top of the leaderboard for the first time in her career. Sweet carded a 54-hole score of 220 (+10) to help the Tribe win the tournament with a final score of 893 (+41). The men's squad opened up at the Maryland Intercollegiate Tournament, at which they took 14th place in the 54-hole tournament. Freshman Zachary Glassman finished first for the Tribe with a total of 222 (+9), while junior Brandon Parker finished second with a score of 225 (+12).

FIELD HOCKEY

Tribe falls at Princeton, drops to 3-2 on season

The Tribe (3-2) lost 7-0 to fourth-ranked Princeton Saturday, recording their second loss of the season against a top-25 opponent. Sophomore goalkeeper Camilla Hill tallied a career-high nine saves after coming in for the second half with the Tribe down 6-0. Hill allowed only one goal in the game's final 35 minutes. Other standout performers included freshman midfielder Maria Caro, who took two shots and recorded a defensive save, as well as senior midfielder Sarah Louie and sophomore midfielder Mikala Savides, who each recorded a pair of shots.

ATHLETE FOCUS

CARMEN POP
SENIOR, TENNIS



The Flat Hat caught up with last year's third team All-CAA selection senior Carmen Pop:

Best thing about The Netherlands: I really like riding my bike into the city [Rotterdam]. Some of the roads are hundreds of years old. Some roads around here are like three years old. That's no big deal.

Coolest away venue: I have played a lot of places, but I will keep it recent. Stanford's stadium [Taube Tennis Center] was really cool.

Favorite restaurant in Williamsburg: Bonefish Grill [in New Town]. I love their Bang Bang Shrimp.

Favorite building on campus: Miller Hall. It is amazing. It is just fantastic. I cannot say enough about it.

MEN'S SOCCER

College splits matches at ODU tourney

Tribe beats Temple, falls to Niagara

By WESLEY STUKENBROEKER
The Flat Hat

A 25-yard goal from Niagara midfielder Levi Tesch in the 73rd minute proved to be the College's downfall as it failed to defend last year's title at the 34th annual ODU/Stihl Classic in Norfolk this weekend. The College (2-2) bested Temple 2-0 Friday before falling to Niagara 1-0 Sunday.

Despite outshooting the Purple Eagles 22-12, the Tribe was unable to find the back of the net.

"We did enough to win," Head Coach Chris Norris said. "We felt for long stretches, we were in control of the game. But the goal never came."

The match remained scoreless until Tesch, booked for a yellow card just a minute earlier, gave Niagara the lead with 16 minutes to play off a set piece. The Purple Eagles's center midfielder curved his shot over the College's wall, bending it near post past diving junior goalkeeper Andrew McAdams.

Despite consistent offensive pressure from the Tribe, senior midfielder Price Thomas's shot was saved in the waning seconds of the match to end the College's comeback hopes and give Niagara

its first victory of the year.

Although Sunday's loss spoiled the College's chances of winning the tournament's championship for the third time in four years, the Tribe performed well against Temple in the weekend's opening match. Goals from Thomas and senior forward Andrew Hoxie were all the College needed to overtake the Owls.

Thomas's mark in the 66th minute materialized off of a loose ball in the College's half of the pitch.

"It was a great counterattack," Norris said. "We took the ball in our half and played it to [junior forward] Alan Koger in the midfield. [Koger] sent it to Hoxie and Hoxie continued it on to Price. Price went one-on-one with the keeper and he finished it off."

Hoxie's first goal of the season came courtesy of a feed from junior midfielder Nat Baako with under five minutes remaining. The senior eluded a defender and hammered home the goal.

McAdams led the Tribe defensively, registering two saves in his first shutout of the year.

Despite a third place tournament finish behind host Old Dominion and Niagara, Hoxie and junior back Mike DiNuzzo were named to the All-Tournament team for the weekend.



COURTESY PHOTO — W&M SPORTS INFO
Junior midfielder Nat Baako registered an assist Friday.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Tribe hosts W&M Invitational

Acharya and Cepeda take third place doubles honor

By JAMISON SHABANOWITZ
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

The Tribe found plenty of success at last year's William and Mary Invitational, including a doubles championship secured by the pairing of then-junior Carmen Pop and then-freshman Katie Kargl. But the early success was short-lived as injuries shredded the roster. At some points, the Tribe could not even fill out three doubles pairs for matches.

So when the annual tourney began for the 17th year this weekend at the College, head coach Meredith Geiger-Walton put a premium on what the fall season should mean for her team.

"We didn't expect to win," Geiger-Walton said. "We're just focused on fitness and getting back into playing shape."

Needless to say, the College decided to play the tournament on the safe side. Now a senior, Pop pulled out of the flight B singles tournament on the first day after losing in the first round to Marshall University's Catherine Keller in the interest of staying healthy. She and freshman Nina Vulovich did play in the top flight doubles tournament and secured a seventh-place finish in the bracket.

"I have strained quads, so I didn't want to force it," Pop said.

The Dutch native wasn't the only one cautiously playing through her weekend on the courts. Junior Lauren Sabacinski lost two matches in top-flight singles play on Friday, then subsequently dropped from the field, participating only

in doubles competition with her partner freshman Marlen Mesgarzadeh. She is recovering from an ACL injury that ended her sophomore season.

"This is her first competitive tennis in about a year," Geiger-Walton said. "We're just trying to work her back into it."

While Pop and Sabacinski made strides to stay fresh, senior Ragini Acharya played in both singles and doubles tournaments all three days. While she did retire from a consolation game Sunday after losing the first set to Virginia's Erin Viera, the 107th-ranked Acharya teamed up with freshman Anik Cepeda and came away with third place in the flight A doubles tournament, discarding Winthrop University's Yasmine Alkema and Elizaveta Zaytseva 8-3.

"Our freshmen bring up our energy and really puts us in a position to be competitive," Geiger-Walton said. "Our returning players are really excited and are willing to help them learn what Tribe tennis is all about."

The aggressive, net-playing Cepeda, who also won third place in flight C singles play, was in sync with Acharya's steady backline-play, frequently dominating and frustrating the Eagles pair.

"It's funny when the other team gets mad," Acharya said. "They told us 'Good game, cheaters.'"

The mix of veterans and youth in the doubles pairs and cautious singles play will likely continue next weekend, when the Tribe continues their fall schedule in the University of Virginia Invitational.

"Last year, we experienced what you don't want to happen," Geiger-Walton said. "This year, we want to get what we want later in the year and just focus on fitness right now."



COURTESY PHOTO — W&M SPORTS INFO
Senior Ragini Acharya

Alum takes top position

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worked his way up. That is something that is not unusual for him to do," Laycock said. "He is not an ego kind of guy, he is in it for the right reasons. He is not in it for money. He is in it because he likes to coach. Whatever he does, he would do very, very well. He just happens to be coaching."

McDermott has maintained close ties to the College, returning to campus yearly to support the football program. He regards Laycock as a mentor and appreciates how his former coach has welcomed him into his football family — a family who's values are more than just X's and O's. McDermott said Laycock instills the vision of always doing the right thing at all times into his players.

"If you have to ask yourself if it is right or not, it's probably wrong," McDermott said of Laycock's poli-

cy. "Doing the right thing, treating people the right way, handling yourself the right way on and off the field: it's a first-class school and a first-class football team and program."

Regardless of his NFL success, McDermott occasionally ponders where the Pricewaterhouse Coopers job would have taken him.

"[If I had taken the job] it honestly would have been [like] living the American dream," McDermott said. "Maybe having a couple kids and family in the suburbs somewhere of [Washington,] D.C., having a dog and a white picket fence."

For McDermott, that white picket fence will have to wait. For now, the only fences he sees are the ones held up by passionate Eagles fans cheering on his defense. The one emblazoned with a cutout "D" in front of it, that is.



COURTESY PHOTO — PHILADELPHIA EAGLES
Sean McDermott '98 on the sidelines.

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athletically and play with the same pace. They lack mobility though, and that makes playing three players in the midfield risky."

Daly played three in the midfield, starting in the second half when he went from the 4-4-2 formation to a 4-3-3.

The highlight of the game came in the 65th minute when junior back Kaitlin O'Connor scored on an indirect free kick in the box.

The goal might have been easy — the free kick was the result of a Coastal Carolina defender's intentional back-pass to the goalie who picked the ball up — but the moment was a meaningful one.

O'Connor returned to the field this week after being suspended for the Tribe's Utah trip the week before. The goal was the junior's first of the season.

"Kaitlin is a great player and a solid team leader," Daly said. "It is definitely a bonus to get her back on the field."

It was the happiest Daly sounded all night.

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Tribe uses three second-half goals for shutout win

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You would think William and Mary Head Coach John Daly would be happier, and to a certain extent, he was. His team had just defeated Coastal Carolina University 3-0 two days after losing to the University of California-Santa Barbara in the first game of the Fairfield Inn and Suites Marriott Tribe Invitational.

You would think he would be happy about the Tribe's three-goal output — the third time they have reached that number this season. You would think that he might find more joy in the Tribe's second shutout of the season.

But if you thought that, then you obviously don't know John Daly.

"We dominated the game from the beginning, but we did not play all that well," Daly said. "We just didn't get good-quality touches, good possessions and good crosses in the middle; we let them hang in there, and when you do that their confidence goes up and ours goes down."

It wasn't all bad. In fact, it was mostly all good. Sophomore forward Stephanie Gerow scored in the 48th minute, burying the ball into the back of the net off an assist from senior forward Krissy Vornadore. It was her first goal of the season and Vornadore's team-leading third assist.

Senior midfielder Sarah Quinlan's goal

was pretty good, too. Quinlan took a pass from junior back Katy Winsper and beat the goalie to the left for her first tally of the season. The Tribe ended up outshooting the Chanticleers 27-2 and took 10 corner kicks compared to Coastal Carolina's one.

But Daly was not satisfied. Perhaps it is because he sees the bigger picture, or perhaps he just saw the George Mason-UC Santa Barbara game earlier that day. The Patriots beat UCSB 3-1, taking advantage of the Gauchos' midfield in ways the Tribe did not.

"I think we don't have great balance in the middle of the field right now," Daly said. "We have good players, but they are very similar



PHILIP DELANO — THE FLAT HAT

Freshman forward Erin Liberatore works against several CCU defenders.

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FOOTBALL



SUN PARK — THE FLAT HAT

Senior quarterback R.J. Archer scrambles for a big gain against Central Connecticut State Saturday in the College's 2009 home opener. Archer ran for 73 yards and threw for 129 more to lead the Tribe to a 33-14 win.

Tribe rolls over Cent. Conn. State 33-14, now 2-0

By MATT POMS
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Last week, William and Mary experienced the most exhilarating of college football achievements: the major upset over an in-state rival. Saturday, they were left with the less-exciting aftermath: the trap game against a less-glamorous opponent.

But with Northeastern conference foe Central Connecticut State in town, the Tribe was able to post touchdowns on two of their first three possessions to jump to a 16-0 lead on the way to a comfortable 33-14 win.

The Tribe would successfully avoid a letdown one week after defeating ACC-foe Virginia, and improved the team's record to 2-0 for the first time since 2001.

However, the College was inconsistent at times on both sides of the ball, failing to get fully in sync against a weaker Blue Devil squad.

"We did what we had to do to get a win tonight," Head Coach Jimmye Laycock said. "I don't think we played great, but it's a win."

After operating a conservative offensive game plan against U.Va., Laycock was aggressive early, capping a 13-play opening drive by going for the touchdown on fourth and goal from the one-yard line. Senior quarterback R.J. Archer scrambled right on a naked bootleg, outracing the defense to the pylon to take an early 7-0 lead.

The teams then traded punts before senior defensive end C.J. Herbert hit CCSU quarterback Hunter Wankett at his own two-yard line, knocking the ball loose. The Blue Devils recovered in their own end zone for a Tribe safety.

The College put the game all but out of reach on the ensuing possession. Archer drove the Tribe 58 yards in five plays, going up 16-0 after junior tailback Courtland Marriner broke a 37-yard touchdown run down the right sideline.

"In the first half, offensively, it was tough to

find something to fault," Laycock said. "R.J. played really well. He made some nice throws, some nice decisions."

The Blue Devils managed to generate some offensive rhythm in the second quarter, scoring a pair of touchdowns on lengthy drives.

But the Tribe had answers each time, as Archer responded to both CCSU scores with a touchdown pass. The senior tossed a 17-yarder to junior fullback Jimmy Hobson, and connected with senior wideout D.J. McAulay for a 21-yard score before halftime.

After the break, the Tribe shut out their opponents in the second half for the second straight week, holding the Blue Devils' option-heavy attack to a mere 78 yards rushing on the day.

Sophomore linebacker Jake Trantin led the way with 10 tackles, but the College was occasionally thrown off balance by CCSU's quick rushing offense.

"We made some plays and made some stops when we needed to, but we expected more," Trantin said. "We didn't come out the way we should have; usually, we're a little sharper."

Sophomore tailback Jonathan Grimes finished with 82 yards on 19 carries to reach 1,000 yards for his career. Needing only 19 games, he became the fastest in Tribe history to reach that mark.

The game was marred by an injury to redshirt freshman Ryan Moody on a third-quarter interception. The wideout suffered an ankle injury while attempting to make a tackle, and spent 15 minutes down on the field. Laycock confirmed that Moody would need surgery following the game.

That factor contributed to a subdued mood, despite the win. But overall, the College was happy to escape its home opener with a perfect record intact.

"You think about [the game] all week, you don't want to slip up," senior safety Robert Livingston said. "After a big win, a loss takes everything away. We got a win, but no one is satisfied."

McDermott '98 takes defensive helm in Philly

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Sean McDermott '98 does not have an ego. In place of an ego, he has a passion. And every Sunday, and occasional Monday, that passion, coaching football, is on display in NFL stadiums.

McDermott's debut as the Philadelphia Eagles' defensive coordinator came this past Sunday, 12 years after concluding his playing career as a standout free safety for the College. Following in the footsteps of deceased Eagles' coach Jim Johnson is no easy task, yet McDermott got off to a strong start as his defense limited the Carolina Panthers to 10 points, causing seven turnovers, returning one for a defensive touchdown.

Despite his speedy rise to coaching prominence, it was not always clear to the now 35-year-old McDermott that football would be his calling. He entered the 1993 season as a walk-on at the College and was redshirted. Intense weight room sessions and a devout work ethic earned McDermott a scholarship, an accomplishment he calls his greatest at the College.



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Sean McDermott '98 played safety at the College.

With the scholarship, he garnered playing time. As a redshirt sophomore, he willed himself into the Tribe's free safety slot, a position at which he would start for the next three seasons, leading the College with 320 tackles over that span.

"He was a player that all of the other players respected because of his hard work and where he had started and what he had achieved," Tribe Head Coach Jimmye Laycock said. "He had earned everything that he had gotten. Nothing was given to him, and he got it through hard work and effort."

During McDermott's time at the position he started next to future seven-time NFL Pro Bowl safety Darren Sharper '96.

"It was a tremendous honor [playing next to Sharper]," McDermott said with a smile. "Darren was a highly talented individual. We worked well together. I got him lined up, and he made all the plays."

While Laycock routinely expected Sharper to register game-changing plays, he equally expected McDermott, the team's "Mr. Consistency," to be in the right position at the right time to secure the tackle.

McDermott was unable to follow Sharper into the NFL, and instead experimented with a coaching career. He began as a volunteer defensive assistant under Laycock in 1998, deferring a finance job offer from Pricewaterhouse Coopers to remain at the College.

"He had a tremendous work ethic when he came off the field in helping us with all the roles a young coach has to do," Laycock said. "His attention to detail and his ability to get things done ... Some people don't get them done, he got them done. It was very obvious to me that he would be a very good coach if he decided to go in that direction."

Despite Laycock's attempt to keep McDermott on the Tribe's coaching staff, when the Eagles called in late 1998 about a scout position opening, "Mr. Consistency" made the jump to the NFL. He evolved into a defensive specialist coach in 2001 and has worked with various facets of the Eagles' defense since then.

"I would have liked to have kept him here, but then he went [to] the Eagles, and I think that proved that he started from the bottom there and

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