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## ThePulse

Bite-size news you can use

In light of the fact that the College is looking at new mascot options and students at Ole Miss voted last week whether or not they should even have a mascot, The Chronicle of Higher Education's blog, Tweed, asked its readers to suggest team nicknames that flow logically from the name of the college they represent. The list included winners like the King's Kongs of King's College, the McGill Icuddies, the Lehigh Fives, The Brown Nosers and The University at Buffalo Wings.

The best these readers could come up with for the College was the William and Mary Queen of Scots.

The College of William and Mary has the highest percentage of GoodCrush users in the nation. Nearly 50 percent of the student population has used the site.

President Taylor Reveley will discuss his career and public service and provide advice on how to best prepare for a life in the legal profession tomorrow at 1 p.m. as a guest of the Business Law Society. The event is located in Room 124 of the Law School and is free. Pizza will be provided at the event just in case Reveley's succulent speech doesn't get you salivating.

Pile the kids into the SUV and let's hit the road! Williamsburg took second place in the Best Destination for a Family Vacation category in Budget Travel Magazine's annual Readers' Choice Awards. The top spot went to Disney World with 1,343 votes; the colonial capital received 801 votes. Our nation's capitol, Washington, D.C., lagged behind CW with 362 votes.

A consortium led by College geology professor Heather Macdonald '02 received the Science Prize for Online Resources in Education from the American Association for the Advancement of Science for its website, "On the Cutting Edge," which compiles professional-development resources for geosciences faculty. The website is directed toward new faculty in the geosciences and hosts information and ideas on subjects ranging from finding the first job to setting up a research program to getting tenure.

The head of Eastern State Hospital, John Favret, was removed from his position last week, though a spokeswoman for the state department that oversees the hospital would not elaborate on the reason behind the decision. In March 2009, a jury ruled in favor of two of the hospital's former psychologists, Douglas M. Gross and Sarah W. Bisconer, awarding each \$1 million in a defamation suit against Favret, then the hospital's director, and Deborah Mazzarella, the hospital's director of psychology.

Got a tip for The Pulse? [wmpulse@gmail.com](mailto:wmpulse@gmail.com)

## Budget crunch forces first layoff

College's decreased funding endangers faculty jobs

By SAM SUTTON  
Flat Hat Managing Editor

Monday was Courtney Dowell's last day at work.

After suffering a series of budget shortfalls, the College of William and Mary has been forced to implement the layoffs promised at November's Board of Visitors meeting.

"I'm trying to pretend like it's a normal day," Dowell said. "No sad goodbyes."

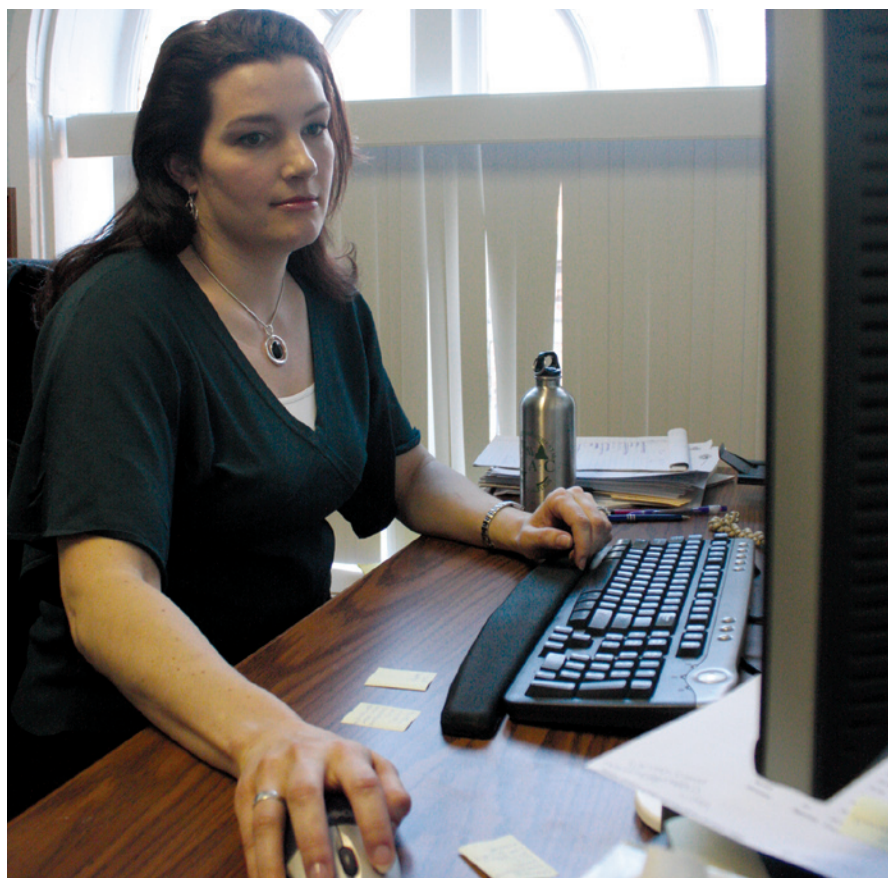
Dowell learned that she would be let go last November of last year. She has been a faculty member at the College for the past two and a half years, serving as a Substance Abuse Educator through the Office of Student Health. She also taught a three-credit Peer Health Education course with fellow health educator Sarah Menefee.

Upon being told that she would be laid off, Dowell's initial thoughts were about how students coming through her office.

"We took measures to make sure no students were left high and dry," she said. "We started referring students to [other] services on campus and off campus."

According to Vice President for Student Affairs Ginger Ambler '88 Ph.D. '06, Dowell is the only person within Student Affairs who has been let go, although other departments made personnel cuts as well.

"For an institution our size, we've been blessed to have three health edu-



CATLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

Members of the Student Affairs office will take up Courtney Dowell's responsibilities.

cators," Ambler said. "This decision is not a reflection of her ... our current budget just doesn't allow for [redundancies]."

Ambler added that in the coming months, other departments will have to pick up some of the responsibilities that were handled by Dowell. However, there is no immediate plan to

determine how those responsibilities will be divided.

At its November meeting, the BOV approved the cut of 18 positions to be cut to accommodate the College's deflating budget. After former Gov. Tim Kaine announced a \$105 million cut

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## Va. may have pushed LGBT policy change

Att. Gen. allegedly urged protection cuts

By MAGGIE REEB  
Flat Hat News Editor

Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli has allegedly advised the College of William and Mary to remove language that would protect against discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation from College policy.

Maryland State Senator Richard Madaleno, Jr. (D) described Cuccinelli's alleged actions in a letter to the Chief Executive Officer of the Northrop Grumman Corporation, one of the country's largest global security providers, Feb. 25.

"Virginia's new Attorney General is reportedly seeking to have Virginia's universities rescind their policies banning discrimination based on sexual orientation," Madaleno wrote in the letter.

The Northrop Grumman Corporation is deciding whether to house its new headquarters in Maryland, Virginia or the District of Columbia.

These allegations come weeks after the College's Faculty Assembly voted to extend its anti-discrimination policy to protect transsexual, transgendered and gender-neutral faculty and students. The College's

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## Student returns safely from Chile

8.8 magnitude quake struck during study abroad

By MIKE CRUMP  
Flat Hat News Editor

A female College of William and Mary student studying in Santiago, Chile is returning to the United States after an earthquake hit the country Saturday.

According to College spokesman Brian Whitson, the student was involved in a joint service and academic program with the nonprofit Institute for the International Education of Students when an earthquake measuring 8.8 on the Richter scale struck off shore of the Maule region, approximately 250 miles southwest of Santiago.

The student's family has been contacted, confirming her safety; however, she could not be reached so the College could not release her name at this time. Whitson said her name would be released as soon as she is contacted.

"[The student] is on her way home," Whitson said.

The earthquake, the strongest to hit Chile since a 9.5 magnitude quake in 1960, was an estimated 500 times stronger than the earthquake which hit Haiti earlier this year.

The Chilean government estimates a death toll of 723, with 500,000 homes damaged.

A representative from IIES could not be reached for comment.

### FORE!



MARAL NOORI-MOGHADDAM — THE FLAT HAT

Students dressed as the Jamaican bobsled team roll their way from tee to tee Saturday as part of Campus Golf, Kappa Delta sorority's annual spring philanthropy. For coverage of The Flat Hat sports' team, check out page 7.

## Douglas Pons to run for city council

Second Planning Commission member announces candidacy

By BERTEL KING, JR.  
Flat Hat Assoc. News Editor

Williamsburg Planning Commission chairman Douglas Pons announced his campaign for Williamsburg City Council Friday. Pons is the fifth candidate to announce candidacy for City Council.

Incumbent councilman Bobby Braxton, Planning Commission member Sean Driscoll, College of William and Mary student Scott

Foster '10 and College student health center physician Dr. David Dafashy have also entered the race. One other candidate has begun filing paperwork but has yet to announce his or her candidacy. Today is the last day for candidates to enter the race to fill Williamsburg Mayor Jeanne Zeidler M.A. '76 and Braxton's positions.

He had earlier ruled out running prior to Zeidler's decision last month not to

seek re-election, according to the Virginia Gazette. Pons said that he wanted to run for city council, and the chance to run without having to unseat an incumbent made this year a good opportunity.

He has disagreed with Zeidler and the current majority on city council over issues such as tourism funding and altering the city's three-person housing rule.

He has created a Fa-

cebook fan since his announcement in hopes of garnering support.

He currently operates the Quarterpath Inn, located on Route 60, and is a former president of the Williamsburg Hotel-Motel Association. He has served on the Planning Commission since its establishment in February 2009.

The election for city council will take place in May. Pons could not be reached for comment.

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High 44°  
Low 34°

Wednesday



High 45°  
Low 34°

Thursday



High 51°  
Low 31°

Source: weather.com

### A THOUSAND WORDS



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### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### James River Elementary student suspended

A James River Elementary student was suspended for 10 days after bringing a plastic toy target gun onto a school bus in a backpack.

James River Principal Lynn Turner and Assistant Principal Mindy Thompson issued a letter to parents notifying them of the situation. The bus driver confiscated the backpack from the student. Administrators met with the student in the parking lot when the bus arrived at the school.

"At no time was this toy out of the backpack on the bus and it was at all times in the possession of administration in the school building," the letter said. The letter also asked parents to remind their children to keep toys at home.

Greg Davy, the school division spokesman, said the student has been recommended for long-term suspension.

#### New visitor center reveals joint efforts

College of William and Mary anthropology professor Michael Blakey and a group of his students are displaying years of work at the recently opened New York African Burial Ground's interactive visitor center.

The new visitor center will "tell the story of free and enslaved Africans in early New York and the role of the African descendant community in preserving the burial ground following its 1991 rediscovery," according to a National Park Service press release.

Blakey, a biological anthropologist specializing in skeletal biology, is the National Endowment for the Humanities Professor at the College. He was in charge of the burial ground, which is the first national monument dedicated to Africans of early New York as well as African-Americans.

— compiled by Gloria Oh

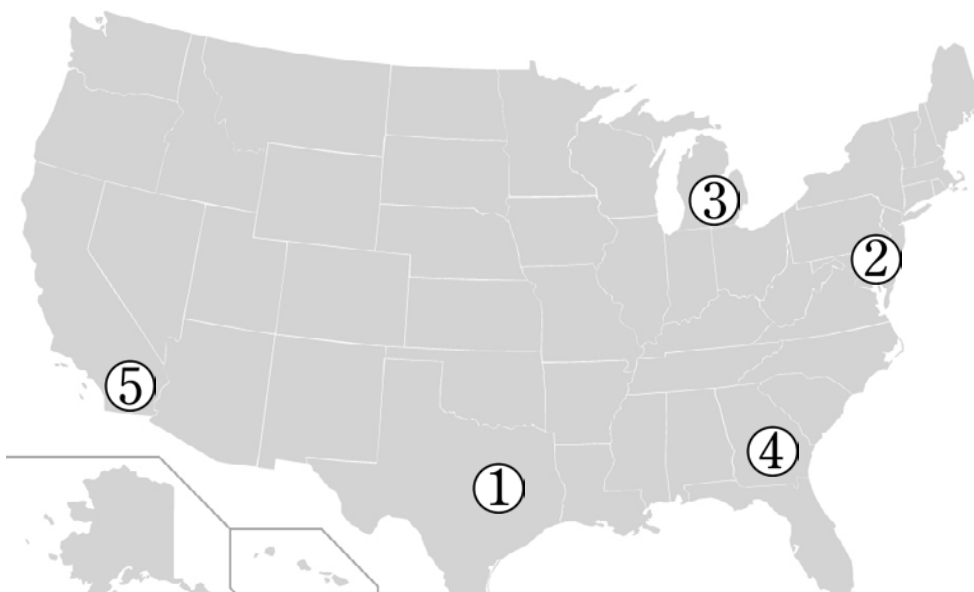
### BEYOND THE 'BURG

1 The University of Texas at Austin has joined a \$25 million, multi-university partnership created by the National Science Foundation. The Bio/computation Evolution in Action Consortium will be a joint effort with the University of Washington, Michigan State University, the University of Idaho and North Carolina and A&T State University. Beacon researchers will study evolution as a continuous process by using organisms in labs and "digital organisms."

2 A group of Tufts post-graduate scientists have found a new defense against heart disease, which is currently the number one killer in America. The research team is developing ultra-thin tubes from silk produced by silkworms to serve as grafts for clogged arteries. If successful, these grafts could provide an alternative to coronary bypass surgery, which is not suitable for patients with vascular disease. Silk has already been adapted for other medical uses, including artificial ligaments.

3 President Barack Obama will deliver the University of Michigan's 2010 commencement speech, Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman announced earlier this month. Obama will receive an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from the university. The ceremony will be held May 1 in Michigan Stadium. Obama will be the second president to speak at a Michigan commencement, following former President Bill Clinton, who delivered the 2007 spring commencement speech.

4 Emory University recently presented an exhibition on Salman Rushdie's personal correspondence, photographs, drawings and manuscripts. Rushdie is currently serving a five-year appointment as Distinguished Writer in Residence of Emory's English department. The Booker Prize-winning author was forced into hiding for almost 10 years after his novel, "The Satanic Verses", spurred Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini to issue a fatwa against him 20 years ago.



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— by Gloria Oh

## 5 Upset UCSD students protest racial intolerance

### Noose-hanger causes outrage across UC-system

By GLORIA OH  
Flat Hat Insight Editor

Students at the University of California-San Diego rallied last Friday to protest racial intolerance after a noose was found on the seventh floor of Geisel Library.

Students protested outside Chancellor Marye Anne Fox's office with red handkerchiefs covering their mouths. Students also stormed inside the Chancellor's office.

According to a UCSD statement, a female student and two classmates were found responsible for the deed.

"Whatever the intent of the authors of this act, it was a despicable expression of racial hatred, and we are outraged," the statement said. The university has not yet announced whether the students will be charged with a hate crime.

One of the students behind the act recently came to UCSD's student newspaper, The Guardian, with a written statement. She wished to remain anonymous and said that the noose was never meant to be racially offensive.

"It was a mindless act and a stupid mistake," she said in her written statement.

Soon after students found the noose in the library, she confessed to the campus police. An editor's note at the bottom of the paper verified the author's authenticity.

This was not the first instance of racial intolerance on a UC campus. At a February 15 off-campus party called the "Compton Cookout," students dressed as black stereotypes. A few days after the party, a campus satirical group used a derogatory term for blacks on a campus television show.

California State Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger addressed this series of ra-

cial controversies by condemning racial intolerance in a statewide announcement.

"I am deeply troubled by the horrific incidents that recently took place on various campuses of the University of California system," he said in a press release to the UC system. "The acts of racism and intolerance that we have witnessed are completely unacceptable and I join with the University of California President, Chancellors and student leaders in condemning these terrible incidents."

The University administration held a "teach-in" in an effort to promote awareness against racial intolerance.

The black community makes up less than 2 percent of UCSD's campus. Of the nine undergraduate campuses, UCSD enrolled the smallest number of black freshmen last fall. There are 46 black students out of an academic class of 3,749.

### STREET BEAT

#### Any exciting plans for spring break?



"Off to Key West!"

Jess Wu '10



"Probably lots of sleeping."

John Haight '11



"I'm going to Bolivia to visit family."

Symone Jones '12



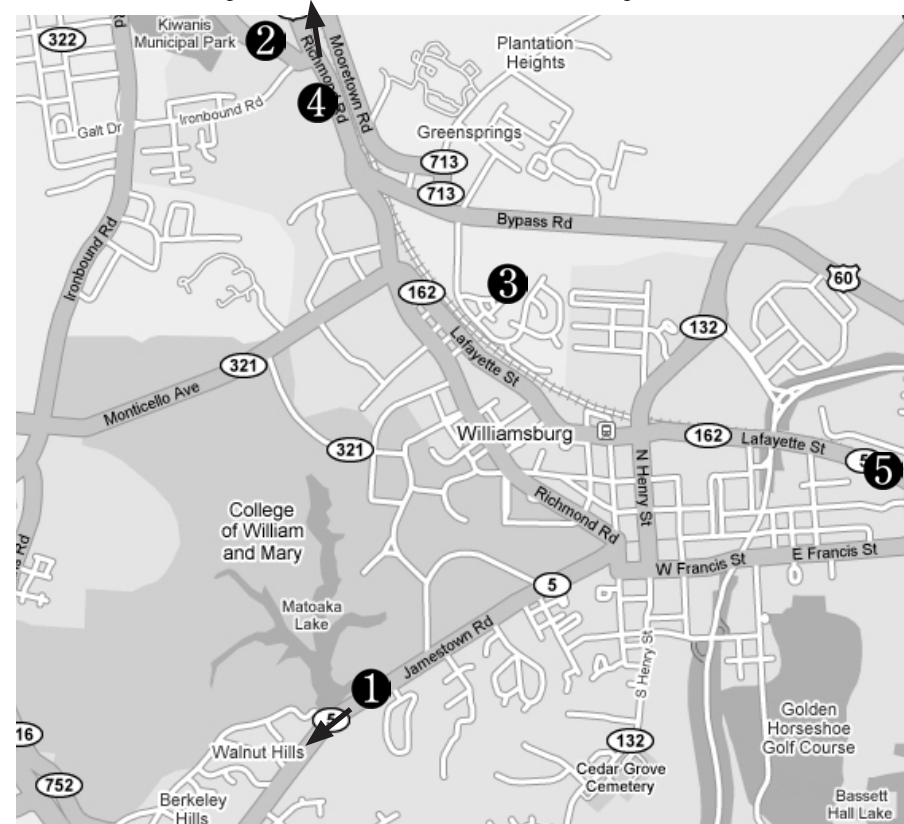
"I'm going shopping in New York then heading to D.C."

Amber Jolley '12

— photos and interviews by Sun Park

### CITY POLICE BEAT

#### February 21 to February 28



- 1 **Monday, Feb. 22** — An individual was arrested for allegedly driving under the influence at 1200 Jamestown Road.
- 2 **Wednesday, Feb. 24** — An individual was arrested for alleged unauthorized use at 500 Westgate Circle.
- 3 **Wednesday, Feb. 24** — An individual reported burglary at 300 Dunning Street. The estimated value is \$5,280 cash.
- 4 **Saturday, Feb. 27** — An individual was arrested for possession of marijuana at 1800 Richmond Road.
- 5 **Saturday, Feb. 27** — There was a report of domestic violence at 100 Block Merrimac Trail. A minor sustained facial injuries.

— compiled by Gloria Oh



# New College program combines classes, internships

*Available placements include Homeland Security, Discovery Channel*

By AMEYA JAMMI  
Flat Hat Assoc. News Editor

The College of William and Mary has instituted a summer program that guarantees accepted students placement in summer internships. The College's Washington, D.C. office, working with the Mason School of Business and the government department, now offers two new summer programs, the Summer Security Institute and Summer Business Institute.

"It really started with a conversation with [government] professor Dennis

Smith," Adam Anthony '87, director of the College's D.C. office, said.

Smith and government professor Amy Oakes run an organization called The Project on International Peace and Security. According to Anthony, the program began as a discussion about PIPS, and naturally led into this institute.

The programs consist of two weeks of courses, followed by nine-week-long summer internships. Anthony says the program is a "replication" of the William and Mary in Washington program. However, while the semester-long D.C. programs

change from year to year, the summer institutes will focus on international business and international security. Students will also spend a portion of their time visiting sites around the capital.

"It's intense, but it's the kind of thing where you're going to learn a lot by listening and seeing and meeting," he said.

Because only 20 slots were open to students, applications far exceeded spots. The program declined to release the number of applicants.

Career Center Associate Director David Lapinski will work closely with the program to identify businesses interested in offering internships.

"Students are with such an advantage these days when graduating with [an in-

ternship]," Anthony said. "We spend a lot of effort and time identifying internship opportunities. Sometimes, it's through alumni who approach us. Sometimes, we approach the organizations ... that we think would be great places for students to intern."

Internship opportunities for this summer include the Department of Homeland Security Policy Office and the Discovery Channel. Students will also have the option of finding their own internships.

According to Anthony, few other universities offer similar programs.

"I think George Washington [University] does," he said. "Other organizations have summer schools here in D.C., but GW is the only one I know that does

something like this. Their's is three credits, and ours is six to seven — six for the business school and seven for the security institute."

International relations professor Elizabeth Arsenault '02 and business professor Don Rahtz will be teaching the classes. They could not be reached for comment.

"I hope [the participants] walk with a sense of the way Washington works," Anthony said. "It's awesome to study the way things are, but then if you can follow up with an internship ... it really makes it come alive for you. That's, I think, our hope. Also, when students graduate, they've got one or hopefully more solid internships under their belt."

## Office of Student Health surprised by cuts

*Administrators say public health will remain College priority*

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from in the state's higher education budget, universities throughout Virginia were forced to tighten their belts. The University of Virginia and George Mason University have not had to resort to staff and faculty layoffs yet but have instead let unfilled positions fallow until funding becomes available.

The College has implemented this strategy as well — six of the 18 positions cut by the BOV were vacant.

According to Dowell and Menefee, the budget cuts to the Office of Student Health and Dowell's layoff came as a surprise. However, they acknowledge that their services often fly below the College's radar.

"If we're doing a good job in prevention, we wouldn't be on people's radar," Dowell said. "No one's out there saying, 'Thanks for preventing me from getting an STI.'"

Effective prevention strategies frequently include working closely with student groups and individuals to develop healthy lifestyles.

Dowell worked closely with Health Outreach Peer Educators to implement strategies geared toward improving public health outreach on campus. This includes conducting programs promoting

sexual health, drug and alcohol abuse prevention and healthy body images.

"She's been huge in prevention," H.O.P.E. President Wesley Ng '11 said. "Losing her means we're losing someone who educates for the health of our students."

Despite Dowell's layoff, Ambler said that public health prevention strategies will remain a priority at the College.

According to Menefee, Dowell's absence will definitely be felt by the Office of Student Health.

"Courtney made great strides in the field of prevention; if we can maintain what she has started, we will have succeeded, but there still may not be anything noticeable for the rest of campus," she said.

In the meantime, Dowell said that she has a few job leads in public health, and that she will not be leaving the area. She lives in Newport News with her husband and daughter.

Dowell often thought of some of the students who came through her office as her kids and said saying goodbye to them was the hardest part of leaving.

"That was worse than being told you're being laid off, having to tell the students you're leaving," she said. "I didn't think there was going to be such an emotional response."



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Dowell worked with campus groups to improve public health outreach.

## Administration cannot confirm legal counsel

*College says it does not discriminate*

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Statement of Rights and Responsibilities already protects against discrimination based on gender, sex and sexual orientation. College President Taylor Reveley is currently reviewing the request.

The College could not confirm whether the Office of the Attorney General, which serves as legal counsel to the College, had advised the College about gender discrimination policy. Legal counsel is protected under Virginia's Freedom of Information Act.

"And with or without the clarification, William and Mary does not discriminate or harass anyone because of their sex, gender identity or sexual orientation," College spokesman Brian Whitson said in an e-mail.

While the College is taking steps to expand its anti-discrimination policy, Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell struck language that would protect discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation from Virginia's bylaws.

The Office of the Attorney General could not be reached for comment.



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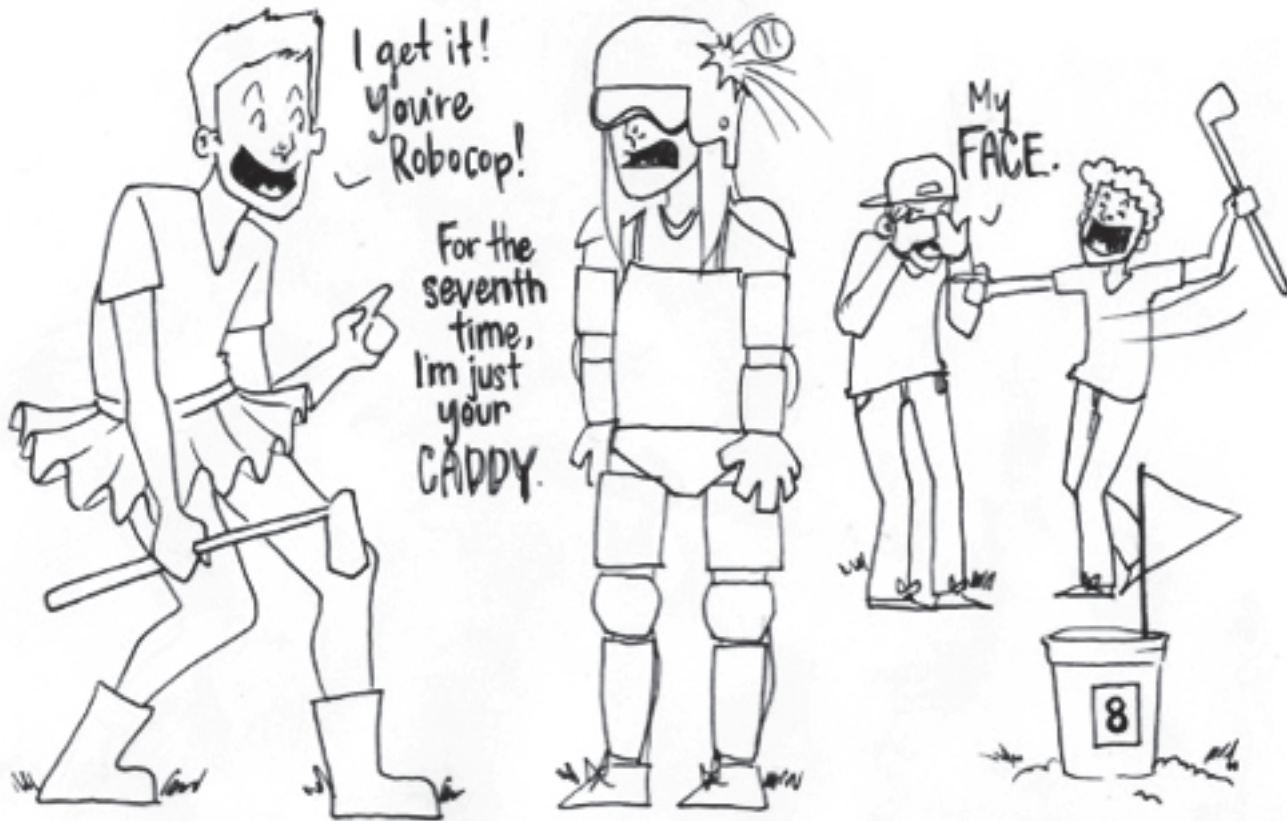
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By VICKY CHAO, FLAT HAT CARTOONIST

## Foster offers leadership, loyalty

**Sarah Sibley**  
FLAT HAT GUEST COLUMNIST



Today marks the official filing deadline for the Williamsburg city council May 4 Election. After becoming the first candidate to declare on Jan. 28, Scott Foster '10 will be joined on the ballot by five long-term city residents.

These candidates all seek solutions to issues facing their fellow city residents; however, only Scott Foster will be an active voice for the student body as a resident student. He has the ability to serve with a viewpoint unifying the two seemingly at-odds populations of Williamsburg: residents and College of William and Mary students. We have a unique chance this semester to help get the first College student in history elected to city council, and we would be foolish to squander it.

The city council needs leadership that promotes community cohesion. Foster will use the councilman position to address issues with inclusive reasoning. To College students: you may feel trapped in a bubble amid exams and research, but you are active members of the community at large. To city residents: as much as the College may feel like a separate entity in town, it is a public institution providing business within the community.

Foster understands this link well from his four years spent as a Williamsburg resident and as a student receiving an education at the College who enjoys his outdoor hobbies in the city. Learn about his experience as a resident student on his website [Fosterforwilliamsburg.com](http://Fosterforwilliamsburg.com).

Voters must lend support to a candidate who can listen to, as well as voice, community problems. Foster seeks to engage in a five-member city council with a unique perspective, and voters will be well served by paying attention

to him as he takes the time to listen and talk to them.

Raised in the tight-knit community of Highland, Va., Foster does not underestimate the value of reaching out to those who hold a share in the gains and losses of the community. The Scott Foster for Williamsburg campaign took off at full-speed last month, reaching out to College students and faculty, small business owners, city officials and Matthew Waley Elementary and James Blair Middle School students and faculty. Such a constituent-focused campaign reflects the candidate behind it.

As Zach Marcus '12 noted in his Feb. 18 Flat Hat column, "For Foster, winning student votes means putting substance over style." Voters have seen Foster engaging with community members more than they have heard about his positions on city issues. Foster views Williamsburg as a community and seeks to enhance it for all its stakeholders. Marcus's column printed when Foster was alone on the ballot, before other city council candidates even declared.

The race has only just officially begun. As the weeks progress, more voters can expect to see and hear more from Foster about his positions on issues important to both residents and students. To stay informed without joining Foster at events within the community, voters can use the internet to follow Foster on Facebook, Twitter and Flickr. Upon the election's filing date, with two months left to inform voters, Foster already shows more widespread activity within the community than any of the other candidates.

Foster offers Williamsburg residents and College students a leader that has the passion, integrity and mind to serve a shared community. His dedication is unmistakable, and his love for Williamsburg is unquestionable. Voters must use their right and seize their opportunity to enhance their community when they take to the ballot box on May 4.

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**Williamsburg city council needs leadership that promotes community cohesion.**

## Discourse needs accountability

**Ben Arancibia**  
FLAT HAT STAFF COLUMNIST



Bob Marshall (R-Prince William) opposed the state funding of Planned Parenthood at a press conference Feb. 18. He said, "The number of children who are born subsequent to a first abortion with handicaps has increased dramatically. Why? Because when you abort the firstborn of any, nature takes its vengeance on the subsequent children." He added, "In the Old Testament, the firstborn of every being, animal and man was dedicated to the Lord. There's a special punishment Christians would suggest."

Marshall seems to imply that disabled children are a special punishment from the Old Testament that occurs when the firstborn is aborted. Marshall is a Christian, and the Virginia Christian Action set up the press conference petitioning against Planned Parenthood; however, these comments seem quite un-Christian. My understanding of the Christian God is one of forgiveness — and at the very least not one to punish an innocent child with a disability because of the actions of his mother.

As unsettling as these comments are, it is equally disturbing that Marshall denies making them. He claims to have been taken out of context and that he was making a point that scientific evidence supports religious teachings about the sacredness of life. Marshall never mentions any sort of science in his comments at the press conference. Gov. Bob McDonnell, who does not support funding for Planned Parenthood, has even criticized the delegate for his outrageous comments.

Marshall's stance on abortion is not the problem I have with him; instead, I question his inability to speak about his beliefs from a logical

perspective. There is no reason to lambaste Planned Parenthood and abortion with un-Christian statements about a vengeful God punishing women who have had abortions, not to mention their subsequent children. If he were to actually state a point about abortion and why he disagrees with it without invoking the Old Testament, he would likely appeal to a wider audience than that of his Bible-thumping political base.

Marshall, as well as other politicians in similar situations, needs to admit that what he said was wrong, or at least stand by his comments instead of cowardly denying their existence. The public reaction and continued backlash could have been easily dealt with had Marshall humbly apologized for his remarks instead of fighting with media outlets. As a result, Marshall has become a late-night punch line and has been chastised by even his political allies in Virginia. Comments like this continue to prohibit our government from actually accomplishing anything, instead leaving it mired between discussions of a vengeful, angry God and discussions regarding whether previous discussions actually occurred.

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## McDonnell mangles order

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Gov. Bob McDonnell signed into effect Executive Order 6 Feb. 5. Virginia, like all states, has anti-discrimination laws. Exec. Order 6 is one such law. It provides protection from discrimination on the basis of "race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, political affiliation, or against otherwise qualified persons with disabilities."

Two words separate the order from former Gov. Tim Kaine's law: sexual orientation.

Exec. Order 6 effectively legalizes discrimination of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Virginia state workers.

This law is a blatant violation of human rights. McDonnell said on his campaign tour that, although he believes marriage is between a man and a woman, he believes that "discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation or marital status has no place in government or on the job." Exec.

Order 6 has brought sexual orientation into the workplace, and it has opened the door to discrimination. It is legal for an employer to ask someone his or her sexual orientation, and if that employer does not like the answer, there is no law protecting that applicant from being refused a job.

Not only can people be refused jobs, but they could also be fired should their sexual orientation become known in the work place. Gays, lesbians and other people with non-traditional sexual orientations should be able to make the decisions regarding if, when and how they come out to their coworkers, and a law that makes sexual orientation a factor in getting a job is discrimination.

When I learned about the civil rights movement of the 1960s in high school, my classmates and I always asked the same question: how did people allow such injustice to occur? This is not the 1960s; how could something so clearly unconstitutional be signed into law in 2010?

This is unjust. Virginians did not vote on this executive order. This was the action of one man, and his actions could hurt Virginia citizens who deserve the same protection from prejudice as everyone else.

This is not a matter of gay rights; this is a matter of human rights. As Virginia residents we are obligated to fight against this law and tell our governor that this behavior is unacceptable. We should be moving away from prejudice, not toward it. This is the 21st century. People should not be afraid to speak their minds.

If you find Exec. Order 6 unfair and unconstitutional, write to McDonnell's office and tell him what you think.

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### STAFF EDITORIAL

## Layoff premature

The current budget crisis at the College of William and Mary has officially taken its first victim. The College has recently decided to layoff Courtney Dowell, a health educator with Health Outreach Peer Educators, making hers the first faculty position eliminated purely for budgetary reasons. It's a disturbing step on the part of the College, belying a much more difficult financial situation than was previously projected. We are both troubled and dismayed by this measure, not only for its effects on the state of campus health efforts, but also for its implications for the College as a whole.

The prospect of layoffs is by no means an unexpected result of our current financial state. The Board of Visitors' efforts to rebalance the College budget last November, in addition to approving a tuition increase, did include 18 planned faculty layoffs, of which Dowell is the first. Dowell is merely the first unfortunate casualty in the current budgetary struggle. As one of three health educators at the College, but by all measures outstanding in her position, we can only assume this was an attempt to correct a perceived redundancy. We are in no position to comment on the College's policies in this respect, but we are of the strong conviction that the loss of such a dedicated advocate for student health as Dowell can't be anything other than a significant loss to the College as a whole.

What's more distressing is the fact the administration has always painted such layoffs as an option of last resort. As College BOV Rector Henry Wolf '64 J.D. '66 recently said at a September student forum on the state budget cuts, "It is possible to [react to budget cuts] without resorting to trying to adjust the size of the workforce, and that's what we've been astutely trying to work toward."

Apparently, this approach is no longer tenable. That we are one of the first Virginia state universities to layoff faculty due to budget cuts makes this even more disconcerting. Several, including the University of Virginia and George Mason University, have instituted a "soft hiring freeze," through which some recently vacated faculty positions are being left unfilled, but all have expressed a desire to avoid layoffs at every cost. James Madison University President Linwood Rose went as far as assuring staff members at a recent faculty senate meeting that the last measure he'd consider to ease budget deficits would be layoffs.

This implies one of two situations. Either our financial situation is grimmer than that of other Virginia state universities, making faculty layoffs unavoidable, or we are resorting to these measures before absolutely necessary. Neither bodes well for the College's future, and both imply that we haven't seen the last of these financial difficulties. The loss of Dowell is one that proves saddening not only in and of itself, but also for the trials it implies the College will soon face.

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# VARIETY

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## Gotta have faith

### Religious questions and confirmations at the College

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College is an intellectual playground. As limits are pushed and boundaries are broken, new ideas come into play. Maybe you came to college thinking narrators never lie. Maybe you came “knowing” you exist. Maybe you came thinking Pluto was a planet. If anything is for certain, it’s that nothing is for certain.

Here at the College of William and Mary, it’s not different. What does that mean for student faith? Does learning that humans and chimpanzees are less than 5 percent genetically different affect one’s belief in creation? How does learning about female genital mutilation affect one’s belief in cultural relativism and human rights? Does it? Interviews with seven students provide some insight.

Hillel president Allison Mickel ’11 found that the critical nature of college matched that of her faith.

“I think that it’s hard to get through a liberal arts university without getting some degree of cynicism, and if you do, then you failed — there’s something wrong,” she said. “It asks you to challenge the beliefs that you’ve had and look at the world critically, in general, and I think that you have to realize whether or not that’s compliant with your faith, and for me it happened to be.”

Mickel considers herself reformed Jewish. “Not super traditional, you’re encouraged to question things, kind of figure things out for yourself,” she said. “That’s how I would still define myself, but I’ve taken it to the extreme. I’m Jewish, but it’s a very personal conception of the tenants of Judaism. I don’t get my ideas necessarily from the Torah... I have my own beliefs, and they happen to match up with what you find in Judaism.”

Mickel has found that her classroom experiences have complemented her beliefs without affecting her faith.

“My faith would only be vulnerable if I didn’t see Judaism as something coming from historical circumstances in the first place,” she said. “I’m not necessarily someone who believes in magical or fantastical elements of the religion. For me it was elucidating and reinforcing the idea that my beliefs are grounded in past experiences of the human condition.”

Joe Kendra ’11, who defines himself as an atheist, also found that his academic experience reinforced his beliefs.

“Science in general, biology, I suppose, [has] the biggest effect on my atheism, especially with the study of evolution,” he said.

Raised Catholic, Kendra began questioning his beliefs in high school, and gradually moved further afield.

“There wasn’t a big epiphany moment; you just slowly start to realize you don’t have any basis or good reason to believe it — no evidence for the supernatural,” he said. “At the same time, I’m a biology major, so you start to learn about the perfect or even more natural reasons that someone would come into being. It’s kind of replacing religion with science.”

Kendra explores his atheism with the Freethought Alliance, a group which — according to their Facebook page — aims to “establish a positive social environment for students of the College of William and Mary who are rationalists, non-theists, agnostics, deists, humanists or skeptics.” Compared to his experience at home, Kendra appreciates the rarity of the discourse in this group.

“The unique experience of college offers you what you won’t get anywhere else,” he said. “You’re going to be surrounded by a very, very diverse amount of people with

equal intelligence, making them very receptive to discourse and conversations. Within your family, you have beliefs, and out in public it’s kind of bizarre to strike up a conversation with people about the deeper meaning of life.”

Like Kendra, Dustin Glasner ’10 is also a biology major. Unlike his classmate, Glasner has not found that science has replaced his religion.

“I’ve always been interested in science, and I’ve always been a spiritual person, so growing up I would explore both sides of it, and throughout high school, I’ve come to the fact that you can definitely reconcile the two,” Glasner said. “You can be a Christian, strong in his faith, and also a scientist who believes in evolution. Evolution is just one big piece of the puzzle. But I have a couple friends who don’t hold the same views I do when it comes to science, and I know it’s been a different experience for them.”

Glasner was surprised to find that college strengthened his Christian beliefs. He described his faith as becoming stronger once he came to the College because of the people he’s been involved with in Greek Impact and Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

“There have been a lot of people who’ve helped me grow spiritually,” he said. “I’m definitely closer with God and the people around me, and the connections [with God] I have are stronger than when I came to college.”

Despite what he’d seen in the classic college movie “Animal House,” Glasner was never concerned his Christianity would disappear in college.

“I wasn’t worried that I would lose it, but I wasn’t also optimistic that it would grow in college,” he said. “Coming in, I kind of figured my faith would be my faith, and it would always be who I was, but I didn’t expect to find an organization that would help it grow.”

For Glasner, Kendra and Mickel, experiences at William and Mary reinforced the beliefs they had since freshman year. But not all students find classroom discussions and new friendships compatible with former beliefs.

#### CAMPUS FAITH SERIES

In this first installment of a three part series on faith at the College of William and Mary, an atheist, a Christian and a Jewish student discuss religion as a college student. Next week, the story continues with a redefined Muslim and self-defined apathetic.



#### BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

## Getting naked and going green

**Adreanne Stephenson**  
FLAT HAT SEX COLUMNIST



Recently, the world has become obsessed with “going green,” and as a result, the College of William and Mary has acquired the same passion. The College has an eco-friendly house in the basement of Landrum Hall, participation in the “Do One Thing” campaign has increased tremendously over the last few weeks — I mean, who doesn’t like free aluminum water bottles — and let us not forget the expansive vegetarian and vegan population. In honor of our environmental campaign, I have an announcement: Eco-friendly sex toys do exist. Who knew? Regular sex toys are made of polyvinyl chlorides and phthalates — translation for you non-chemistry majors: chemicals that pollute our air and contribute to the deaths of ducks, squirrels and other cute animals. Research has even shown a positive correlation between phthalates cancer, and harm to the human reproductive system. Since I don’t want you to come and go at the same time, it is time to throw out your old pollution-ridden toys and start shopping for Earth-saving sex machines.

To begin our journey down environmentally friendly lane, we will start with the own Solar Sensations Micro Kitty Strap-On. You place the strap-on in the sun for approximately five hours and, once solar charged, it lasts

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#### THAT GUY

## Looking for lab work and labradores

By **WALTER HICKEY**  
Flat Hat That Guy Columnist

*I met with TJ Wallin the day after the College of William and Mary Rowing Club's Colonial ergathon. The former rowing club president, Jersey shore lifeguard and avid dog lover arrived with skateboard in tow, ready to talk about chemistry research, the role of rowing in his life, and the truth behind "Jersey Shore."*

#### What research have you been doing?

I chose the unusual path of being both a physics and chemistry major. With chemistry I do research with professor [Gary] DeFotis researching rare turnery insulating magnets, and with physics I do research with professor [Hannes] Schniepp in applied science. I'm looking to go to grad school for material science and engineering.

#### Do you know where you're going?

I'm applying out west to schools in California. I've got family over there and [want] to change things up.

#### That's a far stretch from the Jersey shore.

I'm from Philadelphia originally, but I've spent every summer down at the Jersey shore — before the TV show, of course. I spent most of my time in an Irish community and, while we did have some personalities, the ones on the show are a little exaggerated. Not by much. But a little exaggerated. Mainly, I don't think you'd find a group of all of them at once, but there's one kid in every group.

#### So you enjoyed being at the shore?

After my freshman year, me and a couple

friends I rowed with in high school decided to get a shore house, and that's when I really came into my own and got a lot of good stories. I worked as a lifeguard at North Wildwood beach for a couple years; it's the best job ever. Just having a ton of fun with your friends, working out, and saving lives.

#### So you rowed in high school. What was it like continuing that here?

I turned down going to more established programs to come to William and Mary, thinking I wasn't really going to row when I got here, but of course I fell in with the program here and I was president for two years and really got involved with that, and I'm really

proud of what happened with that program. **What rowing achievements are you most proud of?**

My freshman year I was part of the first William and Mary men's boat to final at Dad Vails, which is the biggest intercollegiate regatta in the country. We went on to actually medal in the lightweight four-man boat, and it was some of the most fun I ever had racing. Last year over spring break we built a dock, then later we held our own regatta, and right now we're working towards a boathouse. But as a whole, the team — with

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CATLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

*TJ Wallin '10 entertains himself with a wide variety of hobbies. He is a dedicated member of the College's rowing team, lifeguards during the summer and admits an interest in dog breeding.*



# A night at the Oscars

## Predictions for this year's altered Academy Awards

By **BARRETT MOHRMANN**  
*The Flat Hat*

Looking at this year's Academy Awards, there seems to be a common theme of change. The most obvious transition this year is the extended list of nominees for Best Picture, and there has been much controversy over whether or not to increase from five to 10 nominations for this prestigious award in each category. Many argue this will allow films of poorer quality ("The Blind Side" and "District 9") to take votes away from those more deserving. Others contend this will provide more opportunities for blockbuster films previously overlooked (ahem, "The Dark Knight").

We are all familiar with the tremendous success of Pixar's animated movies, and it seems every year they walk away with a golden Oscar raised high in the air. And this year should be no different. Nevertheless, "Up," in addition to being nominated for Best Animated Film, has been nominated for Best Picture. The nod marks the first time an animated movie has been placed in this category since

"Beauty and the Beast" in 1994.

And what about the emcees? For the first time since 1986, there will be co-hosts at the Academy Awards — Alec Baldwin and Steve Martin, co-stars of the recent romantic comedy "It's Complicated."

Every year on Oscar night, I find myself either waving my arms in triumph or shaking my head in disapproval. As much as I enjoy the Academy Awards, I expect this year I will go to bed frustrated. For this reason, I've provided some of my predictions for the major categories, complete with angry rants and exuberant praise.

**Best Picture**

*Who will win: "Avatar"*

*Who should win: "The Hurt Locker"*

Has anyone not seen "Avatar?" Everyone agrees the special effects are incredible, and the 3-D effects don't hurt that appeal. Regardless, the screenplay more befits a video game than an acclaimed blockbuster. In contrast, "The Hurt Locker" is arguably the best cinematic depiction of the Iraq War to date. Director Kathryn Bigelow leaves the viewer tense, yet satisfied and constantly guessing throughout the entire movie — whereas you can figure out the plot of "Avatar" within five minutes.

**Best Director**

*Will win: Kathryn Bigelow, "The Hurt Locker"*

*Should win: Kathryn Bigelow, "The Hurt Locker"*

Throughout "The Hurt Locker," I kept forgetting I was watching an action movie. Bombs explode, guns fire, but not without

Bigelow diving deep and asking the question: Why would anyone volunteer to such a hell-on-Earth? Unlike most preceding war films, we watch these scenes of horror unfold from the perspectives of both the soldiers and the terrorists they're fighting. With the trembling of the earth, the death of innocent victims and the feeling of complete isolation, Bigelow represents the awful, explosive power of war.

**Best Actor**

*Will win: Jeff Bridges, "Crazy Heart"*

*Should win: Jeff Bridges, "Crazy Heart"*

At age 60, Jeff Bridges has finally gotten his greatest role. As desperate, gravel-voiced country singer Bad Blake, Bridges portrays a man trying to crawl out of chronic darkness, perhaps too late in life. A lonely alcoholic, Blake rises from rock bottom to demonstrate how some people are just crazy enough to prove people can change. Critics agree Bridges's heartfelt performance makes the movie.

**Best Actress**

*Will win: Sandra Bullock, "The Blind Side"*

*Should win: Gabourey Sidibe, "Precious: Based on the novel 'Push' by Sapphire"*

The idea behind the "The Blind Side" was used years ago in another film entitled, "Finding Forrester." An impoverished, overlooked youth possesses some talent, which can only be unleashed and brought to the public eye through a special mentor relationship. In all honesty, Bullock's role calls for little more than a "go get 'em tiger" mentality. But Sidibe's performance is painful to watch due to the

extreme suffering her character, Precious, endures. Precious is incredibly inspiring in her ability to survive every nightmarish situation Director Lee Daniels throws her way.

**Writing (adapted screenplay)**

*Will win: Jason Reitman and Sheldon Turner, "Up in the Air"*

*Should win: Jason Reitman and Sheldon Turner, "Up in the Air"*

"Up in the Air" is a comedy that can surprise you with tough, emotional moments. Of course, George Clooney plays an attractive, charming man in his '50s. Nevertheless, Reitman and Turner's script offers biting and witty dialogue that brings out a different side of Clooney.

The story discusses the rising anonymity in our culture due to technological advances. But Clooney's character, Ryan Bingham, reminds us that, despite the changing times, people are still fragile, emotional, and more than just a voice on a cell phone.

If nothing else, 2009 has given us several outstanding films. I encourage you to watch the Academy Awards Sunday and see the winners for yourself.

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### Editors' Oscar picks

	Best Picture	Best Actor	Best Actress	Best Director	Best Animated	Best Makeup
<b>Editor-in-Chief Miles Hilder</b>	"The Hurt Locker"	Colin Firth	Gabourey Sidibe	Jason Reitman	"Up"	"Star Trek"
<b>Managing Editor Sam Sutton</b>	"The Hurt Locker"	Jeff Bridges	Carey Mulligan	Kathryn Bigelow	"Up"	"Star Trek"
<b>Executive Editor Ashley Morgan</b>	"Inglorious Basterds"	Colin Firth	Sandra Bullock	Jason Reitman	"Up"	"Star Trek"
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<b>News Editor Mike Crump</b>	"District 9"	George Clooney	Gabourey Sidibe	Quentin Tarantino	"Up"	"Star Trek"
<b>Variety Editor Jessica Gold</b>	"Inglorious Basterds"	Jeff Bridges	Meryl Streep	Lee Daniels	"The Fantastic Mr. Fox"	"Star Trek"
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<b>Photos Editor Caitlin Fairchild</b>	"The Hurt Locker"	Jeff Bridges	Meryl Streep	Kathryn Bigelow	"Up"	"The Young Victoria"



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## Saving the planet, one sex toy at a time

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for over two hours. Adding a solar-powered vibrator to the mix of rechargeable vibrators, organic lubes and other goods already available is just another way to green your sex.

Solar energy is an effective alternative to chemical energy. Along with heating up appliances, it can also spice up sex life by producing warm and happy, well, happy parts.

Another sex product to add to your green list is a Mamba condom. (Side note: This is not a snakeskin condom so do not be alarmed.) Mamba condoms are ozone friendly, biodegradable, vegan and fully-effective. Although there are no animal products in the condom, you can still maintain your animal-like activities while passionately boinking.

Using herbs to sizzle the atmosphere is a natural and erotic way to set the mood. Ginseng — found in lotions, shampoos and conditioners — stimulates sex hormones, causing them to bounce wildly within your pleasure system.

These products are useful when massaging an aching back, lubing up for a night to remember, or showering with unexpected company. Often priced nicely, these sexual toiletries are easily obtainable for college students. After all, using our parents's well-earned money on expensive kava kava root so we can get it on is unacceptable — unless in case of extreme periods of sexual inactivity. Ginseng incense is also available, but be careful not to light it in the dorm. Hotel rooms, off-campus housing, or the woods offer free reign for firing up body-bumping herbs.

Anal sex has become an interesting trend among our generation. Surprisingly, there are even naturally safe appliances available for having rump sex.

The Pfun plug is a sleek stainless steel toy made to easily slip in. Other frisky play things include wooden sex toys — finally, something useful that grows on trees. These all-natural toys are useful for all types of sex, affordable, and



OLIVIA WALCH — THE FLAT HAT

easy to clean. You don't have to worry about getting splinters in hard to reach places, and they don't require much lube because of their smooth finish. Many of the wooden toys have ridges and a hole for enhanced fingering. A natural way to facilitate a natural occurrence — ah, true love at last.

A great person once said anticipation makes the penis harder, and sex can be much kinkier with your clothes on. With that said, wouldn't you want the clothes you wear to be eco-friendly? Why not keep organic undies on when doing the do? Under garments made out of organic hemp, silk and recycled fabrics come in lacy, skimpy and pleasing-to-the-eye varieties. They are becoming

more and more popular among those looking to add sex appeal to the green campaign.

To complement the green toys and undies, add some eco-friendly bed sheets. Made out of organic cotton or bamboo, these sheets are comfortable, environmentally savvy, and slick for trying out positions like the twisted doggy — it's done exactly how it sounds.

When your imagination is running low and you've gone from exotic to fellatio, add some green toys to the mix, and I am sure you will get your fix.

*Adraanne Stephenson is a Flat Hat sex columnist. She is not a member of SEAC, but she does what she can to support the environment in her own way.*

## Senior rower seeks new scene

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numbers, competitiveness, coaching staff and executive board — has really improved things.

**Anything recent with rowing?**

We had the ergathon [last week], an indoor race on rowing machines. We hosted [Virginia Commonwealth University], [North Carolina] State, Duke and Liberty. I was just coming off being sick, and I went off a little too hard, hit the wall ... but I still came close to a personal record, and the team did really well. My sister came and took a video and you can see right in the video ... where I hit the wall.

**What mistakes have you made at the College?**

Biggest mistake I think I made in college was being in a long-distance relationship my freshman year. I think everyone falls for that trap and I understand why, because you're not safe with a new environment and things. But luckily for me I had a chance this past year to enjoy the college lifestyle.

**Do you have any favorite off-campus locations?**

I like Chickahominy Riverfront Park. Not many people know about it — it's secluded and it's a great place to go work out. On another note, I'm a fan of Paul's. It's got a great atmosphere and I just like hanging out in there.

**Where do you see yourself going with the material sciences?**

I came to William and Mary because I wanted a liberal arts education, and now ... I feel like I want something more concrete with an engineering degree so material science satisfies both my chemistry and physics curiosities and puts it into something very practical.

**Any other plans for after college?**

I really like dogs, and I'm going to breed them when I graduate. My dog's awesome — I have a rare red lab. He's usually my profile picture. And my valentine.

**Anything else you want to add?**

I hate cats. *While finishing up the final months of his college career, TJ is focusing on completing his bucket list and spending time with his friends. He hopes to continue his scientific career in graduate school studying engineering.*



CAITLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT  
*Wallin helped steer the rowing team toward success in the recent ergathon.*



# INSIDE SPORTS

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## What's on TV

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

No. 4 Duke vs. no. 22 Maryland  
— 9 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN

### NHL

Capitals vs. Sabres  
— 7:00 p.m. Wednesday on Versus



## Sound bytes

"I think that the individuals responsible should hand in their notice."

—Russian president Dmitri Medvedev calling for the resignation of Olympic officials after his country's poor showing.



## By the numbers

80

Percentage of Canadians who watched their national hockey team defeat the U.S. in overtime. It was the most-watched broadcast in Canadian history.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### LACROSSE

#### Zulty's hat trick propels College victory over Oregon

Following a disappointing loss to no. 5 Duke last week, the College rebounded with an impressive 15-13 win against Oregon Sunday. The Tribe (2-1) benefited from an outstanding offensive performance from senior Mary Zulty who tallied three goals and five assists in the victory. The Tribe went on an 8-1 run early in the second half, and withstood a big Oregon rally to pull out a close non-conference victory. The Tribe returns to action next Sunday on the road against no. 10 Boston University.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

#### Tribe falls to JMU in final regular season road game

Despite taking the lead late in the second half, the Tribe fell to James Madison 71-59 Sunday in Harrisonburg, Va. The loss puts the Tribe's record at 11-17 overall and 4-13 in the CAA with one regular season game before the CAA tournament. Sophomore guard Taysha Pye led all scorers with 26 points, while sophomore guard Katherine DeHenzel added 12 points. The College will close out the regular season at home against Drexel Wednesday.

### MEN'S TENNIS

#### College defeats Howard, wins sixth straight match

With a 7-0 victory over Howard Saturday, the no. 66 College recorded its sixth straight victory, and improved to 12-5 on the season. Senior Keziel Juneau defeated his Howard opponent 6-2, 6-4, moving his overall record to 18-10. The senior, who recorded his 80th singles victory, became only the seventh player in College history with 75 wins in both singles and doubles play. The College will begin a three game road trip against no. 9 Georgia Tuesday.

## ATHLETE FOCUS

JONATHAN SLATTERY  
JUNIOR, BASEBALL



The Flat Hat caught up with junior Jonathan Slattery to discuss his favorite pro team, his jersey number and his ideal MLB team.

**What is your favorite Major League Baseball team and why?** The Toronto Blue Jays because I'm from Canada and I go to all their games. I've been watching them on TV since I was three.

**Why did you pick 3 for your jersey number?** It was my hockey number growing up and so I transferred it over to baseball.

**Describe your ideal pitch to hit.** A nice fastball, belt high, middle-inside.

### CAMPUS GOLF

## A Flat Hat Sports tradition unlike any other

'The Legend of Bagger Dooley' takes it to the wire

By JACK LAMBERT  
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

In the annals of William and Mary athletic competition, few events are as storied as Campus Golf. And at the pantheon of physical excellence stands the annual Flat Hat Sports Campus Golf team, now in its third incarnation.

Last year, I tagged along with the sports staff, chronicling their exploits, but this year I would play for the first time.

Today, my name would join the ranks of some of the greatest ever to walk the greens of the Sunken Garden. Names like Dooley, Pike and Weidman were running through my mind as we walked up to claim our clubs — how could I fill the shoes of those legends?

Matt Poms, Miles Hilder, Sam Sutton, Mike Barnes and I would make up the Flat Hat fivesome. We chose four clubs: two 6-irons, a 9-iron and a putter. The putter was Poms' choice. It would not be his last mistake of the day.

Kelly Bodie is our caddie, replacing former Flat Hat staffer Summer Finck. Hilder is quick to make clear that while Kelly is our caddie, Summer is our inspiration.

"Put down that Summer Finck is a golden god," Hilder says.

The fact that he's said the same line at least two years in a row doesn't make it any less true, or bizarre.

"Poms, do you actually play golf?" I ask

as we step up to the first tee.

"Yeah, I played in high school," he says and drives his ball to the back wall.

Someone — who may or may not have been me — lets out an expletive as I turn around to glare at Poms, but my concentration is broken by Sutton moving his ball up the green like a hockey player, one tap at a time.

The second hole is a straightaway with only a trash can in the middle of the fairway. Poms nails the trash can as I make Barnes, our freshman, take notes.

"Don't make me take notes, man; I can barely keep track of myself right now," Barnes says.

"Hey, I just got a text from Dooley saying, 'do me proud,'" Sutton says.

"Man, I'm not feeling great," Barnes says, as he wanders off to find his ball for the second time that day.

"See, he would be proud of that," Sutton and Hilder say at almost the same time.

"This is my fourth year playing campus golf and I think I've played this course all four years," Hilder says as we stand out front of Chandler.

Last year, this was the spot where Hilder and Weidman staged an impromptu driving contest, with a second floor window serving as the target. This year, he lays up for a three.

Poms goes four, Sutton dribbles up the hill Ovechkin-style for a five. I take a gentleman's six and Barnes settles for finding



KELLY BODIE—THE FLAT HAT

his tennis ball.

We approach the tee box at the seventh hole. Sutton shouts, "excelsior" as he drives the ball into the bushes. Hilder and Poms are locked in a tight battle for first place as Barnes and I bring up the rear.

This is where my note taking — and my memory — gets a little shaky.

I remember taking a seven on the last hole. I remember Hilder and Poms fighting to the wire for the win, even though none of us kept score. I remember that Hilder is ultimately my boss, so I remember Miles winning in a rout.

I remember Barnes finishing in last, as I edge him by a stroke or two.

I remember laughter and good times and the continuation of a tradition that originated before I got here and which will hopefully continue long after I'm gone.

I joked about living up to the example of some of the guys who are no longer here, but it is nice to be a part of that tradition.

So that was it: Campus Golf 2010. The highs, the lows and the Poms. I guess after all that, there's really only one thing left to say:

Jeff Dooley, I hope we did you proud.

## Valiant effort fails at LSU



COURTESY PHOTO—W&M SPORTS INFORMATION  
Sophomore first baseman Tadd Bower went 4 for 14 against the Tigers.

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a perfect bottom of the fifth and the Tribe added four more runs in the top of the sixth.

"We were feeling very confident at that point, but not overly so, we just thought we had outplayed them to that point," Leoni said. "We just went out there and didn't make our pitches the next inning."

But in the bottom of the inning, the LSU offense came to life. The Tigers scored eight runs on six hits to tie the game at eight runs apiece. They eventually overcame the College with a pair of runs in the top of the seventh.

The Tribe threatened a comeback in the top of the eighth. Freshman third baseman Ryan Williams led off with a single and scored on an RBI groundout by Ryan Brown. But the rally came up one run short, as LSU pitcher Matty Ott shut down the squad in the ninth for his third save

of the year.

"We looked at it just as another game, you can't build up the hype too much," Slattery said. "[It was exciting] to get a chance to play such a good team, to see how we stack up against the competition. It's a once in a lifetime opportunity."

Despite the numbers on the scoreboard and the letter next to the game, the players will not soon forget the experience of playing against a power-house team in front of 6,686 fans.

"I thought the guys did a tremendous job handling the hostile environment," Leoni said. "They stayed professional, they stayed focused — I thought we kind of ran out of gas there in the last game, but I thought we did a good job staying in the moment, staying poised."

The Tribe will look to rebound Wednesday with a 4 p.m. game against North Carolina Central at Plumeri Park.

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# SPORTS



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## MEN'S BASKETBALL



# Crunch time

*College stifles UNCW in season finale 63-51, will enter CAA tourney as no. 3 seed*

KYLE MCMAHON—THE FLAT HAT

By MIKE BARNES  
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Following the Tribe's Jan. 21 home victory over Drexel, senior guard David Schneider vowed not to look at the CAA standings for the rest of the season. But despite the guard's best intentions, Schneider and his teammates were well aware of the massive implications of Saturday's regular season finale against North Carolina-Wilmington at Trask Coliseum.

For the second straight game, a top-four CAA finish and a first-round bye in the conference tournament was at stake. In stark contrast to last Wednesday's loss to lowly Towson this time, the College seized enough early momentum to coast past the Seahawks, 62-51, and clinched the no. 3 seed and their first ever tournament bye in the process.

The victory also marked the third time since 1952 that the College recorded 20 victories in one regular season.

"It's amazing, simply amazing," Schneider said. "It was definitely a team win, everyone pulled together today after a pretty tough loss. I think everybody came out really prepared and ready to play, and I think that was the biggest difference."

After failing to lock up the no. 3 seed against Towson on Senior Night in Williamsburg, the College attempted to atone for its recent shortcomings by putting on an impressive first-half shooting performance. Midway through the opening period, the Tribe went on a 14-0 run. Eleven of those points were scored by sophomore guard Quinn McDowell.

In addition to McDowell's hot hand, Schneider was 3 for 3 from behind the arc in the first half, al-

lowing the Tribe to shoot an impressive 67 percent from downtown. It was a pace that the Seahawks could not overcome.

Once again, McDowell and Schneider provided the bulk of the scoring for the Tribe, as the tandem combined for 38 of the squad's 62 points. Overall, the College shot 40 percent from the floor and 38 percent from three-point range.

"First of all, we got some great shots, and it was really nice to see the ball go in the hole," Head Coach Tony Shaver said. "We didn't shoot it that well in the second half, but we play at a whole different level when we make shots."

Although the Tribe offense cooled significantly in the second half, the College's defense kept UNC-Wilmington from obtaining any offensive momentum. Schneider and junior forward Marcus Kitts

contributed 10 rebounds each, which allowed the College to earn a 41-38 rebounding advantage.

The College also silenced the Seahawks' leading scorer, Chad Tomko, who was held without a bucket in the second half.

"I thought in the first half, we let Tomko get a few open looks, and in the second half, we did a much better job on him," Shaver said. "The defense was good, and they haven't been in the past couple of games, so it was nice to see us take some pride in it tonight."

The College will look to ride its newfound positive momentum into this weekend's CAA tournament in Richmond. As the third seed, the squad will avoid two of its main rivals — top seeded Old Dominion and no. 5 Virginia Commonwealth — before Monday's championship game.

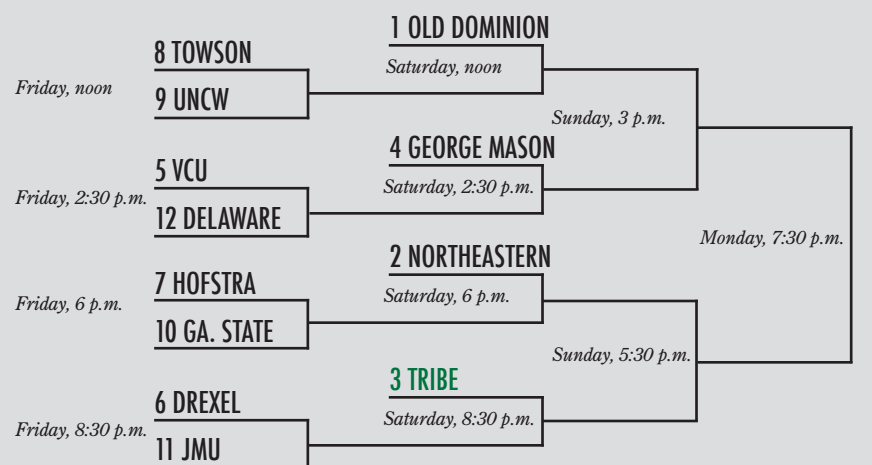
Instead, the College's path to the championship game will be far less intimidating, as the Tribe will take on the winner of Friday's matchup between no. 6 Drexel and no. 11 James Madison on Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

"Earlier today, I was just going over the playoff scenarios, and everything really played out to our advantage," Schneider said. "Northeastern had a big win, ODU had a big win. I know especially from two years ago when we went to the CAA championship, just how much you need rest. Now that our journey won't be four games in a row, I think that will really help us down the stretch. I also think we are in a great seed where the teams we play, we have played well against them or beaten them before, and I think it is crucial to have a lot of confidence going into the tournament."

### 2010 CAA Tournament

WHEN: Friday-Monday  
WHERE: Richmond Coliseum

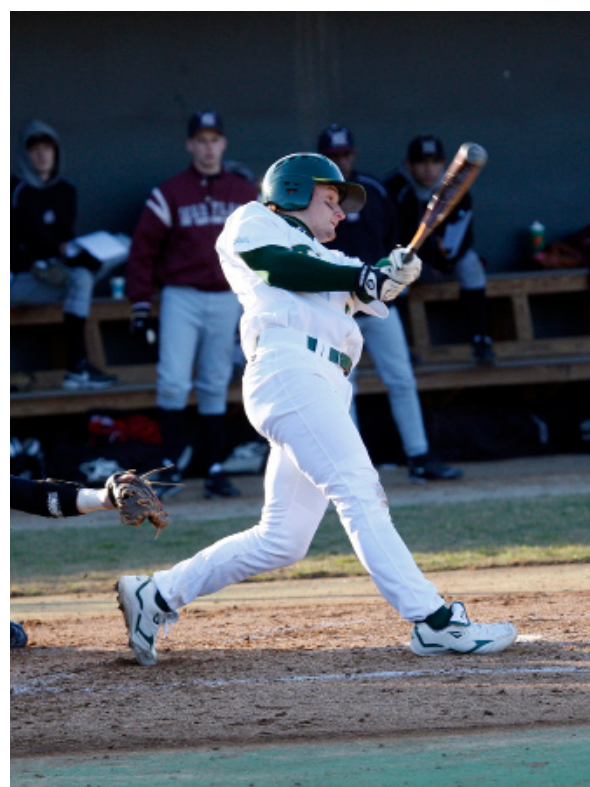
The Tribe's win over UNCW clinched the third overall seed for the CAA tournament, giving them a bye into Saturday's round two. Even more importantly, it set them up in an advantageous half of the bracket. Saturday, they will take on the winner of the Drexel-James Madison first round matchup. A win there, and they would play Northeastern, Hofstra or Georgia State. The College is 7-1 against the teams they would potentially face before Monday's championship. Against the other half of the bracket, they are 5-5.



## BASEBALL

# Tribe competitive, but drops three to no. 2 Louisiana State

*College builds 8-0 lead Saturday, but falls 10-9; Billbrough posts strong outing*



COURTESY PHOTO—W&M SPORTS INFORMATION  
Sophomore outfielder Stephen Arcure went 4-13 at LSU.

By WESLEY STUKENBROEKER  
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A young team has to grow up quickly when its second series of the season comes against the no. 2 team in the nation and under the gaze of thousands of fans.

The Tribe (3-3) tried to do just that, but came up short in three games this weekend, losing at Alex Box Stadium to defending national champion Louisiana State 10-9, 9-6 and 7-4.

"I was very happy with the way we played," Head Coach Frank Leoni said. "Not only to challenge them but to have a lead in all three games, to have a legitimate chance to beat them all three games, I was very happy."

The weekend began with a rainout Friday night, forcing a schedule change that turned Sunday into a doubleheader.

Sunday, freshman pitcher Matt Wainman fell behind early in the first game, giving up three runs in the first four innings. However, fellow freshman Derek Lowe was able to ignite the bats for the College in the top of the fifth inning with

a home run to right center. Slattery capped the inning with a two-RBI single to right, and the Tribe finished the inning with a 4-3 lead.

The Tiger offense answered with four runs of its own in the bottom of the inning. The teams traded a pair of runs in the eighth and ninth innings, but the hopes of a comeback expired when Ryan Williams representing, the tying run, lined out to second, ending the game.

Junior infielder Jonathan Slattery, who went 5 for 6 in the first two games of the series, credited his head coach Frank Leoni heavily for his offensive success.

"Coach Leoni has a new hitting approach this year," he said. "I felt like I was getting good pitches to hit and wasn't chasing after balls."

Following an hour-long intermission, the Tribe came out red hot in game two. Freshman centerfielder Ryan Brown led off the contest with a double to center field. Two errors by the Tigers, combined with a trio of singles, gave the Tribe — and starting freshman pitcher Brett Goodloe — an early 3-0 lead.

But the advantage was short-lived. LSU des-

ignated hitter Matt Gaudett evened the score with a two-run blast in the bottom of the third. After Gaudett's shot, the Tigers produced five more runs en route to a 7-4 victory. Amidst the loss, the College witnessed a strong performance from sophomore pitcher Matt Davenport, who held the Tigers scoreless after relieving Goodloe.

The Saturday night match-up established the tone of the series and ensured the College would not be overrun by their talented hosts. The first four innings showcased a scoreless pitching duel between junior Logan Billbrough of the Tribe and Austin Ross of the Tigers.

"Logan did a really nice job keeping hitters off balance," Leoni said. "He mixed his pitches and made sure they couldn't center up on the ball."

With one out in the top of the fourth, sophomore Stephen Arcure jumpstarted the College's offense with a homerun to right center. Slattery doubled to left, followed by an RBI single from freshman designated hitter Jackson Shaver. Billbrough worked

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