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Here's one text from last night you won't regret. The Swem Reference Desk is now available via text messaging — in case you can't use reference in person, by e-mail, by instant message or by smoke signal. Just text your reference questions to 757-561-0468.

Maybe Williamsburg isn't in quite the time bubble you might think. The city, along with neighboring James City and York Counties, has applied to be a test community for Google's new ultra-high speed broadband internet. Think a one-gigabyte per second connection — speeds 100 times faster than normal internet.

It may be time to up the ante, however. Topeka, Kansas has renamed itself Google, Kansas for the month of March, and Sarasota, Fla. renamed its City Island district Google Island. Next up: Googleburg?

Jon Stewart '84 lobbed criticism at Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli last week over advice to state universities to remove anti-discrimination language for sexual orientation and gender identity. "You can't be gay in college?" the alumnus said on his Comedy Central show last Tuesday. "That's the whole point of going to college."

The U.S. Senate confirmed former College President Paul Verkuijl '61 as Chairman of the newly reconstituted Administrative Conference of the United States March 3. He was nominated by President Barack Obama in November. ACUS advises the government on the efficiency, soundness and fairness of federal agency procedures.

Former Virginia Attorney General William C. Mims '79 was chosen by the General Assembly for a spot on the seven-member state Supreme Court. Mims, who served three terms in the House and two terms in the senate, served as attorney general after Bob McDonnell resigned in February 2009 to run for governor. Mims majored in history at the College and was student body president.

Virginia Commonwealth University exchange student Jonathan Dorey has been missing since March 4, and the university is now offering a \$5,000 reward for information. No sign was found of Dorey, a 22-year-old from the University of the West of England, after six tracking dogs scoured areas in Richmond Dorey was known to frequently mountain bike.

Former New York Times reporter Linda Greenhouse will speak in Blow Hall at 4 p.m. today. Greenhouse, who reported on the Supreme Court for 30 years, is on campus this week as the 2010 Hunter B. Andrews Fellow in American Politics.

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Student Assembly seeks to delay election

Ben Brown '11 and Chrissy Scott '11 announce plans to run for SA presidency

By MIKE CRUMP
Flat Hat News Editor

The College of William and Mary's Student Assembly Senate is planning to postpone next week's senate and presidential elections due to a lack of interested candidates.

The SA released the list of candidates after last week's deadline to declare had passed. Many positions had one or no interested persons. Sixteen of 27 total positions on the ballot were uncontested.

"I think that the Elections Commission did another poor job of advertising the election, and as a result no one has run for some of the positions," SA Sen. Erik Houser '10 said. "This doesn't reflect a change in opinion of the SA, just that no students knew an election was going on."

Only three current SA members will seek re-election as senators. All incumbent senators from the Class of 2011 declined to seek re-election, and only two members of the Class of 2011 elected to run for the

four open senator positions.

SA policy mandates that the date of the election cannot be changed after Thanksgiving of that academic year. Houser said he believes the law was put into place to ensure presidential candidates would not change the date for political gain.

Former SA Elections Commissioner Jazmine Piña '11 resigned March 4 to seek election as Class of 2011 Treasurer. Andrew Gardner '12 was appointed to fill the position and is currently in communication with potential candidates.

A constitutional amendment will be required to change the date of the election.

Houser said he would sponsor a bill at Tuesday's SA meeting to move the election from its original March 24 date to March 31. He said co-sponsors of the bill would be drawn either from graduating seniors or SA members not seeking re-election.

The bill will call for additional information sessions to be held Wednesday and Thursday nights, as well as reopen positions for declarations of candidacy. Campaigning will then officially begin Thursday at midnight.

Since the bill calls for a constitutional amendment, it will require a three-fourths majority to



SUN PARK — THE FLAT HAT
Ben Brown '11 and Betty Jeanne Manning '12 list higher transparency within the SA and quicker fund allocation as campaign priorities.

pass in the senate. If this occurs, the bill would then be moved to the undergraduate and graduate councils for discussion and passage March 22, and upon passing those boards the bill would be signed into law by SA President Sarah Rojas '10.

"Since the decisions [to declare candidacy] were due, several [SA] members have been contacted by people who hadn't known about the election or were too late. This shows there are students who want to run and there was no reason not to let them to

run," Rojas said. "Everyone who wants to run and is eligible to run should be able to, and we want to make sure everyone can."

All candidates for class president are currently running unopposed, although this is subject to change pending the outcome of Tuesday's meeting.

David Alpert will run for the Class of 2013, Sen. Matt Schofield will run for the Class of 2012 and Mike Tsidulko will run for the Class of 2011.

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McDonnell's order clarifies discrimination

Non-binding directive calls for changes to state policy

By BRITTANY HUGHES
Flat Hat Staff Writer

After almost two weeks of debate, the College of William and Mary has received approval from the state of Virginia to include "sexual orientation" and "gender identity and expression" in its anti-discrimination policy.

Two weeks ago the College received a letter from Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli advising all public universities to strike similar additions from their respective policies. According to Cuccinelli, only the General Assembly

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State's budget spares College

By IAN BRICKEY
Flat Hat Assoc. News Editor

The College of William and Mary is safe from further budget reductions — for now.

In an e-mail sent to the College community Monday, College President Taylor Reveley announced that the budget adopted by the Virginia General Assembly Sunday did not go any further than the previously imposed 32 percent funding reduction.

"Since much additional damage had been proposed during the budget negotiations (for instance, employee furloughs in each year of the up-

See BUDGET page 3

Public meeting discusses arts district

City officials announce potential building site on Richmond Road

By MAGGIE REEB
Flat Hat News Editor

City officials favor an area on Richmond Road, stretching from Casey Field to the new Walgreens for the location of the City of Williamsburg's Arts District in a meeting March 2.

The Williamsburg City Council gave the city's Economic Development Authority permission to research the creation of an

arts district in December. Since then, a focus group of artists, businesspeople and community members has been established, and non-profit real estate arts developer ArtSpace was hired to conduct a feasibility project in the city. ArtSpace toured the area and met with the focus group March 2 and 3.

The city held the meeting to give the public an opportunity to discuss the on-going project with rep-

resentatives from ArtSpace. More than 100 people were in attendance.

The section of Richmond Road emerged as the favorite potential area for the arts district because it is already zoned as mixed-use property and is near dining locations and other shops, as well as transit stops. The area is also full of vacant properties, a situation an arts district could alleviate.

City officials, as well as

members of the community, hope that the arts district, if realized, would bring more business, and therefore revenue, to the city. Many believe the district would allow for more opportunities to enjoy the arts.

The city anticipates a report from ArtSpace in about six weeks.

Williamsburg Mayor Jeanne Zeidler M.A. '76 could not be reached for comment.

MEN'S BASKETBALL



COURTESY PHOTO — TRIBE ATHLETICS
Members of the College of William and Mary's men's basketball team watch the National Invitation Tournament selection show Sunday in the Sadler Center's Commonwealth Auditorium. The College's selection marks its second appearance in the NIT, and first since 1983. See page 8.

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Tuesday



High 55°
Low 38°

Wednesday



High 67°
Low 41°

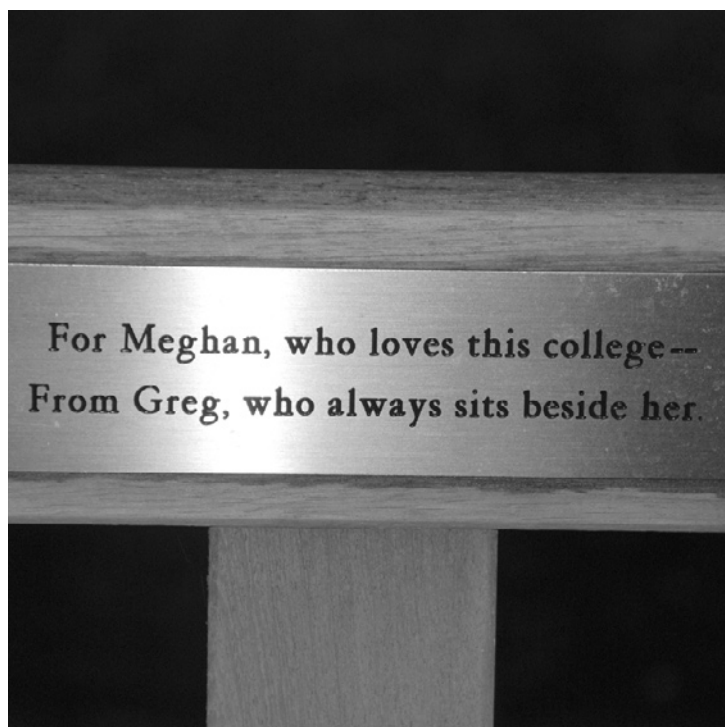
Thursday



High 69°
Low 43°

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A THOUSAND WORDS



CAITLIN FAIRCHILD — THE FLAT HAT

NEWS IN BRIEF

Trolley route extended along Jamestown Road

The Williamsburg Area Transit Authority announced the addition of four new stops to the trolley route along Jamestown Road. Beginning yesterday, the trolley stops at the College of William and Mary Undergraduate Admissions Office, across from Phi Bet Kappa Memorial Hall at Indian Springs Road, Cary Street and the Miller Hall Parking Lot.

"The extended short-trip schedule is being added in response to requests from the public, and to meet increasing ridership needs in the areas immediately adjacent to the College," WATA Executive Director Mark Rickards said in a press release.

The trolley's hours will not change and will run 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, until 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sundays.

The service will continue to be free with a College ID.

Three governing bodies meet for annual meeting

The Williamsburg City Council, James City County Board of Supervisors and the School Board will meet today to cover issues including redistricting and the budget at a three-hour annual meeting.

The meeting between the three governing bodies will be held at Quarterpath Recreation Center. Redistricting will be discussed in light of the new elementary and middle schools that have been built. The School Board will be rezoning in order to fill J. Blaine Blayton Elementary and Lois Hornsby Middle schools, which open this fall.

The superintendent's proposed budget of \$6.5 million reductions due to state and local funding cuts will also be mentioned at the meeting.

The School Board will meet later on Tuesday at 6 p.m. for a budget public hearing and a work session. This meeting will be held in the County Government Complex.

— compiled by Mike Crump and Gloria Oh

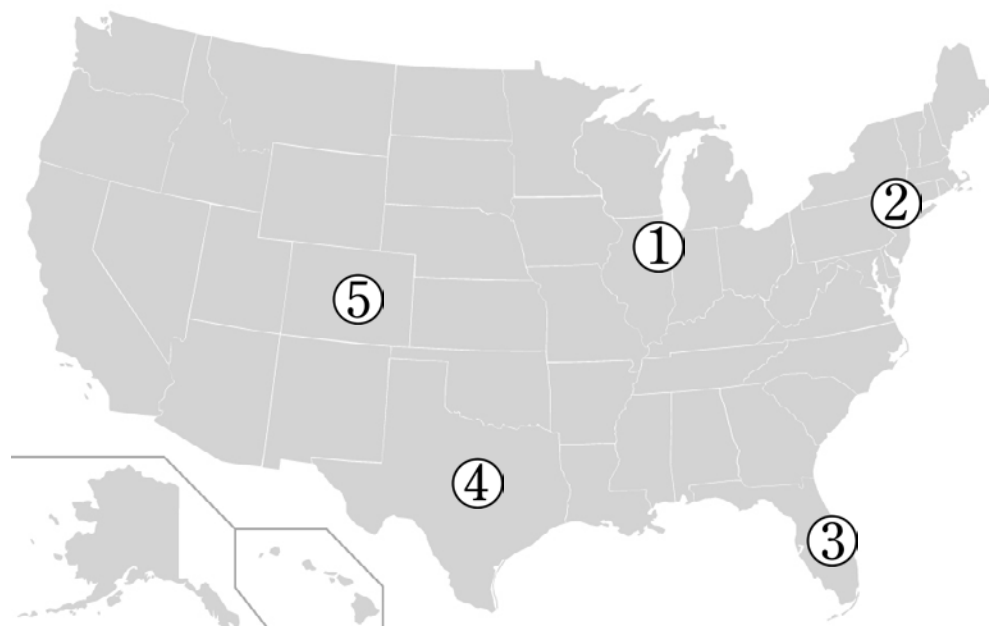
BEYOND THE 'BURG

1 Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich addressed a skeptical crowd March 2 at his alma mater, Northwestern University, during a panel discussion on ethics in politics. He spoke to 1,000 Northwestern students who ridiculed and laughed at him. Blagojevich, who was indicted last April for corruption charges, is best known for allegedly attempting to sell President Obama's vacated U.S. Senate seat.

2 New York University released its Climate Action Plan March 12, which aims to reduce the university's carbon footprint and bolster its sustainability efforts. NYU has cut 20 percent of its greenhouse gas emissions over the past three years. The plan focuses on long-term goals and addresses the next thirty years. In the report, NYU said it plans to attain carbon neutrality by 2040.

3 Former University of South Florida football coach Jim Leavitt filed suit against the university yesterday for more than \$7 million. He was fired by USF January 8 after a month-long investigation into an incident in which Leavitt allegedly grabbed walk-on running back Joel Miller by the throat and hit him in the face. Leavitt pled not guilty and is seeking to clear his name.

4 Three students from Collin College, Texas have identified asteroid 2010 CK12. NASA will recognize students Adrian Boyssele, David Golynskiy and Deepak Joseph, who competed against nine other countries in the International Asteroid Search Campaign. They first saw the rock on February 12. The Collin students analyzed the images through NASA's Wide-Field Infrared Survey Explorer satellite.



COURTESY GRAPHIC — WIKIPEDIA.ORG

— by Gloria Oh

5 CU-Boulder traces bacteria signature of hands

Study on hand bacteria to open doors for forensic scientists

By GLORIA OH
Flat Hat Insight Editor

A recently published study at the University of Colorado-Boulder provides a potentially valuable tool for forensic scientists. Researchers at CU-Boulder who have been studying "personal" bacteria suggest a new method that could identify individuals based on the bacteria left behind on objects such as computer mice and keyboards. According to the study, bacterial communities living on the hand of an individual computer user matched the bacterial DNA signature of the user more closely than those signatures of random people.

The study was published online in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences March 15 as a joint effort between ecology and evolutionary biology professor Noah Fierer, CU-Boulder's Cooperative In-

stitute for Research in Environmental Sciences, the university's department of chemistry and biochemistry and a postdoctoral research student, Elizabeth Costello, from Stanford University.

According to the study, bacteria that live on an individual's hand could help forensic scientists trace that person's identity. This would help track criminals who wear gloves to cover their fingerprints. Hand-germ testing would allow forensic scientists to rely less on fingerprint data by granting them the ability to uncover the identity of an individual based on what surfaces they touched.

The published study assumes that the trail of bacteria left by humans is unique for each individual. Lead author Fierer noted that each human hand can contain up to a 150 different species of bacteria, and that only 13 percent of the mix of microbes is shared between any two people.

In the study, researchers compared the bacteria found on computer mice with bacteria collected from a database of 270 individuals. The experiment showed that bacterial colonies most closely matched those of the owner's hands.

So far, the technique has a 70 percent to 90 percent accuracy rate, but scientists are hoping to increase this number as technology improves. There is still research that has yet to be conducted, including how human bacterial signatures adhere to different surfaces such as glass, metal and plastic.

Fierer said the study raises bioethical issues concerning privacy.

"While there are legal restrictions on the use of DNA and fingerprints, which are 'personally-identifying,' there currently are no restrictions on the use of human-associated bacteria to identify individuals," he said to the university's Office of News Services.

STREET BEAT

There are lots of protests going on these days. What would you like to protest?



"We should protest the state of education funding. There's not enough attention to the big picture."

Nick Martin '13



"Parking. It sucks."

Robin Vanneman '10



"Cutting arts education in Virginia."

Evette Becker '11



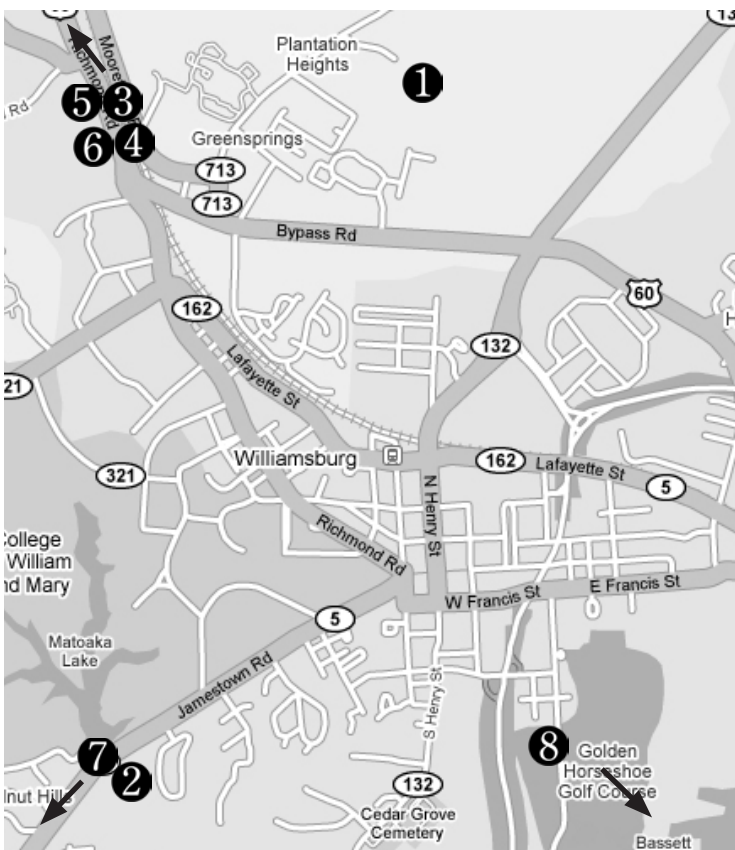
"I really don't care about anything..."

Daniel Dziubar '11

— photos and interviews by Caitlin Fairchild

CITY POLICE BEAT

March 7 to March 14



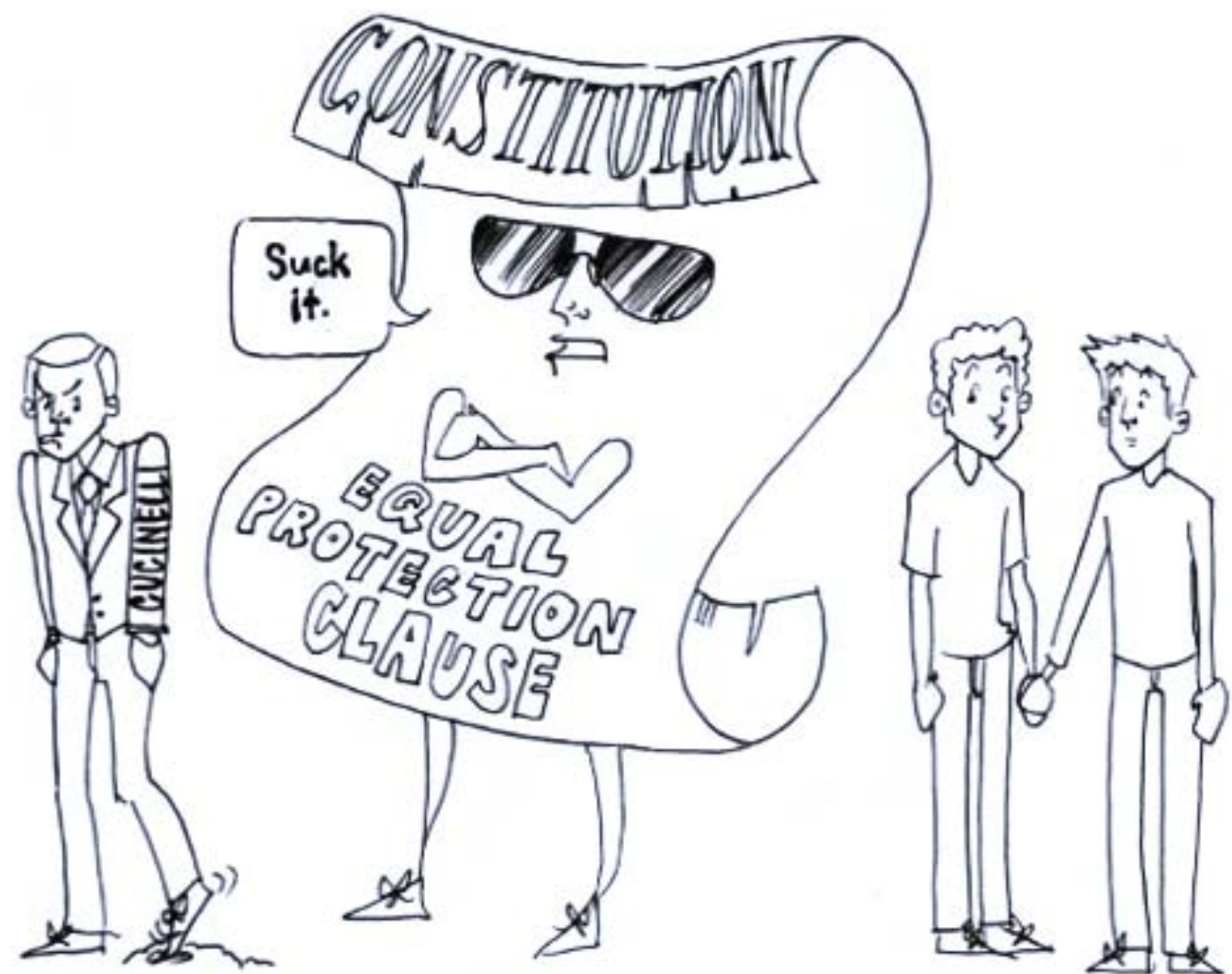
COURTESY GRAPHIC — GOOGLE MAPS

- 1 Sunday, Mar. 7** — An individual was arrested for alleged possession of marijuana at 1500 Algonquin Trail.
- 2 Wednesday, Mar. 10** — An individual was arrested for allegedly being drunk in public and for disorderly conduct at the 100 block of Lake Powell Road.
- There was a report of vandalism at the 100 block of Green Street. A window frame was damaged.
- An individual was charged for allegedly being drunk in public at the 100 block of Sterling Manor Drive.
- Thursday, Mar. 11** — An individual was arrested for allegedly breaking and entering and assault and battery at the 1800 block of Richmond Road.
- An individual was arrested for alleged abduction and domestic assault and battery at the 1800 block of Richmond Road.
- Sunday, Mar. 14** — An individual was arrested for allegedly being drunk in public and disorderly conduct at the 900 block of Capitol Landing Road.
- An individual was arrested for an alleged false report to law enforcement at 200 Merrimac Trail.

— compiled by Gloria Oh

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Spring breakdown of gender equality

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My first ever spring break: six days, over 2,000 miles and stops in Daytona Beach, Miami and Savannah, Ga. I had a fantastic time, and you'd be hard pressed to find three more different towns in America, but there was a common thread running through the former two that was impossible to miss. It's hardly a coincidence that Savannah, without the spring break vibe, was the one place in which I didn't feel the underlying sexism of popular culture magnified to an uncomfortable pitch.

I guess I should have expected this; spring break tends to exaggerate everything from drunkenness to sunburned tans. But I still wasn't prepared for how pervasive this atmosphere was. I thought the bizarre ritual of the wet T-shirt contest had its heyday in Daytona's MTV-sponsored bedlam of yesteryear, but in Miami I saw several willing victims being doused on a stage. What was most troubling was that one of the girls was so skinny as to border on the anorexic. For me, dancing can reach a certain point of suggestiveness where it ceases to be sensual and just looks a bit grim, and this was certainly a case in point.

You can argue that this is all fairly innocent fun, but there is undoubtedly a menacing side to it. The corollary to such spectacles is that many girls find it hard to shake off the unwanted attentions of guys whose expectations are in part formed from seeing things like this. There was nothing innocent about the "party bus," sponsored by a porn site, that was parked outside a club in Daytona.

It's true that many of the women I saw were active participants in the objectifying process, such as the club

worker who was doing the dousing in Miami. However, she was being paid to do what she was doing, and while many women may opt to take such jobs — to work in Hooters or in strip clubs — the cold hard truth is that the tips are better at Hooters than at most other restaurants, and many strippers are forced to work in order to make any sort of decent money. You can argue that no one is forcing girls on spring break to dress so revealingly or dance so suggestively, while alcohol has more than a little to do with everyone's behavior in these situations. However, there is an undeniable degree of pressure to act in a certain way that is brought about by the whole spring break ethos.

Ultimately, there is a fine line, in any of these situations, between a woman who is liberated and in control and one who is powerless and objectified. The situation I observed over spring break has made this distinction ever harder to discern. Women should never feel pressured to act in a demeaning fashion when they're out to have fun, but

this too often conflicts with male notions of what to expect if a girl is dressed in a certain way, or if he buys her a drink. Equally, there is a difference between a woman enjoying her sexuality and flaunting it to the extent that it is cheapened.

Unfortunately, the double standard that classifies sexually promiscuous women as sluts and congratulates their male equivalents does not appear likely to change anytime soon. Until it does, men will always have the upper hand when it comes to rituals like spring break.

In any event, this may all have been the latent prude in me coming out, but I preferred the St. Patrick's Day party in Savannah to anything I saw in Miami and Daytona. Just a note to any guys thinking of going there instead of Panama City next year: Don't expect the ladies to put up with any shenanigans.

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There is a fine line between a woman who is liberated and one who is objectified.

So-called student rights champion still silent on campus issues

Zach Marcus
FLAT HAT GUEST COLUMNIST



The announcement that Scott Foster '10 is running for Williamsburg City Council is now a month and a half old. Foster has since been running a campaign entirely devoid of what he hopes to accomplish on the council.

I have to question why Foster is running if he has no agenda. We are told by Foster's many campaign staffers not to worry; he will represent us on the city council. We are told not to question him. We are called foolish for not fully supporting the so-called student candidate.

I ask the Foster campaign: Can he really be the student candidate if he can't tell us what he will do to support us and protect our interests on the city council? We have a right to know how Foster will act on student rights issues for the City of Williamsburg, and if he does not properly represent our interests, a right to inform him that this student body will not just hand him an addition to his resume.

Ever since Foster entered the race, we have been hearing from his campaign that a platform would be available shortly. Rather than devoting time to actually developing an agenda, the campaign has attempted to build a following for Foster the person instead of Foster's platform.

Regardless of how personable he may be, we are not electing him to chat with the other city council members; we are electing him to zealously represent the issues of students first, then residents. If this is not the case, why is he any better for us than a non-student?

I would argue that it is worse for the cause of student rights to have a student candidate on the council who doesn't act in our best interest. If Foster acts in a way that does not support our causes, it will be even more damning if the city council points to him as our voice regardless of whether any of us agree with his policy stances.

Why is Foster running for city council? He and his campaign claim that he wants to bridge the divide between students and residents. I must ask what experience or qualifications he has that make him more suited to this task than

another candidate. Has Foster done anything to work with city officials before he decided to run for office? Does he have any experience with city residents other than spending one summer living in an off-campus house? The answer to both these questions is no.

Perhaps he has been spending his time helping students become more involved in the larger community of Williamsburg. Has he been agitating for students to be involved in the city before he was a candidate? The answer is again no.

What, then, has he been doing with his time before deciding to run for city council?

He has been serving as the co-president of the Student Conduct Council and has been appointed by the dean to hand down punishments to students for violations of school policy — hardly the position we would expect a leader on student rights issues to take.

Given this, what are we getting by voting for Foster for city council? Residents are not getting a voice that understands their needs and issues. It would take more than one summer to grasp the complexities of their problems with the College of William

STAFF EDITORIALS

Activism encouraging

This past week has seen a vigorous renewal of student activism at the College of William and Mary, including rallies against both budget cuts and recent state forays into university discrimination policies. We are proud to see students rallying in support of these essential issues. While sometimes we as a community spend our efforts on less-than-worthwhile activities — remember that time we staged a "Thriller" dance-off — it's good to see sincere effort spent on such valuable and important causes.

Earlier this month, students organized a successful "Our Schools, Our Budgets" rally in the Crim Dell Meadow to protest the ongoing specter of state-mandated budget cuts for Virginia higher education. Later, when Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli advised Virginia state universities to remove language protecting against discrimination, students were quick to react. College students traveled to Richmond to take part in a rally organized by students from Virginia Commonwealth University and plan on hosting their own protest on campus later this week. The vehement reactions against Cuccinelli at Virginia universities has managed to garner national media attention, largely due to student efforts.

It's good to see the age-old prospect of student protest alive and well at the College, especially since apathy is more often the easier option. There's always the standard litany of excuses not to get involved in such efforts: it's too time consuming, too easily ignored, not worth the effort. Thankfully, students have instead chosen to continue setting a fine example for vigorous political involvement at the College.

Tribe deserves better

For the first time since 1983, and for only the second time in the College's history, the men's basketball team was selected for a postseason tournament bid, receiving a no. 5 seed in the upcoming National Invitational Tournament. It's a great achievement, coming off the heels of an excellent 22-10 regular season record, and is truly well-deserved. But, given the College's commendable performance in the regular season, we're disappointed that the College wasn't given a chance to host its first postseason game.

Instead we're slated to travel to play no. 4 North Carolina, resulting in a matchup that can't help but seem backward. UNC was 16-16 overall this season, with a 1-2 record against ACC teams Wake Forest and Maryland. The Tribe went 2-0 against those same teams.

It's an unfair matchup — one most likely based entirely on money — but there's no use in complaining now. It's a long trek to Chapel Hill, but once we're there, let's let our skill on the court speak for itself.

The staff editorial represents the opinion of The Flat Hat. The editorial board, which is elected by The Flat Hat's section editors and executive staff, consists of Miles Hilder, Ashley Morgan, Jessica Gold, Caitlin Fairchild, Andy Henderson and Kevin Mooney.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Keep College sexually tolerant To the Editor:

I am a proud College of William and Mary alumnus who was dismayed to learn that Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli has taken the biggest and backward step of demanding that state universities revoke their protections against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. While we in the District of Columbia just this week recognized marriage equality, Gov. Bob McDonnell's administration is shaming Virginians with its blatant discrimination against gay and lesbian citizens. I urge you to draw a line against this notably

uneducated and repugnant devolution in Virginia's governance by preserving the College's honorable stance as a beacon of knowledge for all who would seek education and employment at this incredible institution, regardless of sexual orientation. Current, former, and — most importantly — future students and faculty of the College are depending on your leadership to safeguard the status of the College as a true model of enlightened higher education. You must refuse the attorney general's request to alter the College's stated policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

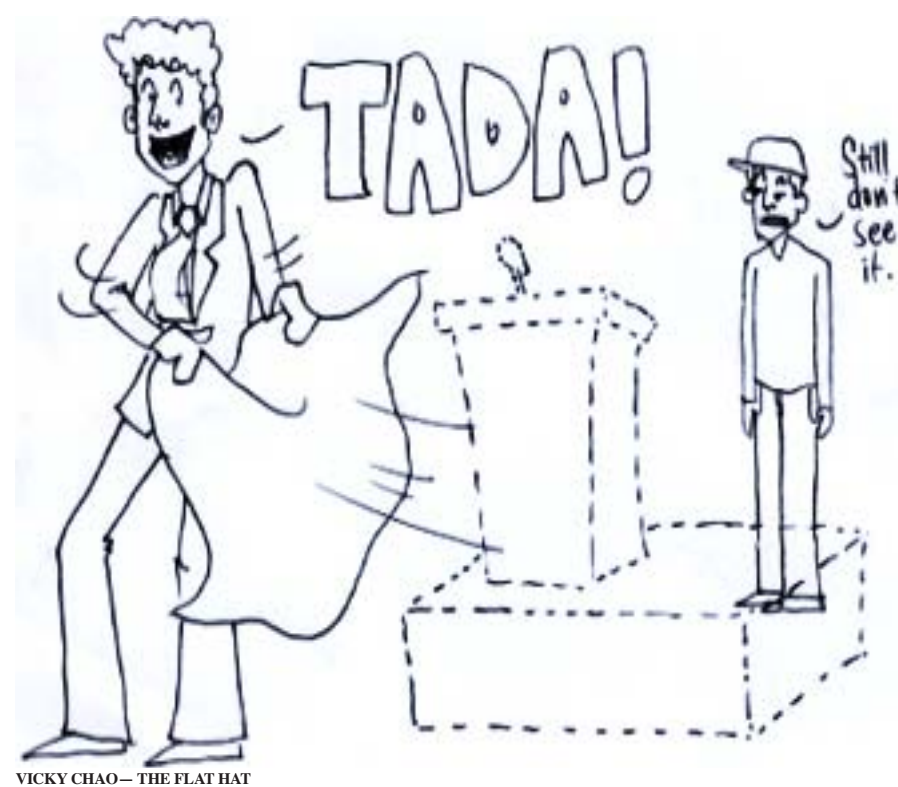
— *Job Stenhouse '04*

and Mary. He is not a voice to defend students' interests, as his stint on the dean-appointed Student Conduct Council shows.

I can only conclude that there is exactly one person who stands to benefit from Foster being elected: himself. I urge all students to

withhold support from his campaign. Maybe a strong show of disapproval will force him to champion student issues through the remainder of his campaign. Perhaps then we will have a real student candidate. I still have hope, but I'm not holding my breath.

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Apathy and affirmation

Furthering and fluctuating faith continues to change at the Alma Mater

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College is expected to change your beliefs. But while everyone changes, everyone changes differently. Our last installment looking at religion in college featured three students whose beliefs are reinforced by their experiences at the College of William and Mary. Two students don't find the College to be as affirming.

Hanif Yadzi '10 found that a combination of classes and fellow Muslims affected his beliefs.

"There are two main things," Yadzi said. "One was my experience sitting in philosophy class, where all my ideas were challenged in a direct way and I was encouraged to challenge the ideas I was brought up with. The other thing was being a part of a faith community where people within your identity category don't share your ideas. So, we're part of the same religion, but you and I have totally different ideas."

Yadzi doesn't describe his Shia'a Muslim identity as a faith so much as a set of beliefs, and that set of beliefs is not separate from any of his other beliefs.

"When I encounter a new idea, I judge it on its merits, and I try to engage with it critically," he said. "And the line between 'is an Islamic idea versus not an Islamic idea'... that is a line that has become more fuzzy."

Yadzi transferred to the College after spending two years at Rutgers University, where the Muslim community is approximately 4,000 students.

"When I came here, I had a lot more room to explore individually and to read on my own, and to be part of a community that was more social than communal," he said.

Yadzi noted that being at a school with a small Muslim population is difficult, yet beneficial.

"Living a Muslim lifestyle in a non-Muslim environment is hard," he said. "It was, in a sense, easier to be a Muslim in college because I could have ownership of my religious identity, whereas at home my family had a big role in defining it. So I feel my Islam is mine; I feel a sense of ownership of it."

The college environment was not a drastic change for Yadzi, who grew up near a college campus in Texas.

"My family was part of the MSA [Muslim Student Association] of their college," he said. "I was born when they were in college... My faith experience began with college students, so basically I've been doing that all my life."

A philosophy major who has switched to history, Yadzi said he always asks two questions when critically analyzing an idea, "What do you mean?" and "How do you know?" Yadzi's encounter with philosophy initially tested his identity.

"There was a time in my life when my ideas determined my identity," he said. "So an attack on my ideas was an attack on who I was. This is a huge problem of fundamentalism and all religions. Now I feel like you can attack my ideas, but the important thing is that I have good ideas or true ideas."

Yadzi further found a way to incorporate his academic studies with his religious beliefs.

"I made a distinction between religion and my knowledge and understanding of religion," he said. "I believe that religion cannot be false because Islam means to submit to the will of God as you understand it. And the will of God has to correspond to truth and reality, and so whenever you encounter something you believe is true, then you know that is bringing you a step closer to understanding that ultimate reality, which is God. So you should never be afraid of encountering a true thing, or engaging with an idea that contradicts something in your repertoire."

Islam's ritual component also affected the way Yadzi incorporated ideas.

"The locus of Islam is the practice," he said. "These are very tangible physical things — they're not dependent on ideas. There was a time when I said, 'I'm going to radically reevaluate and see what role they have in my life,' I came

to the conclusion that, 'Yes, they have a role.'"

Yadzi's impression of philosophy has changed over his college career. He was initially impressed by the rational edifice of the subject.

"I was really enamored by it and thought it had all the answers to all the questions," he said. "But then when I realized the limits of rationality, that brought me closer to a sympathetic understanding of theological concepts. When I saw that modern Western philosophy doesn't have the ability to answer all the fundamental questions

about life, and there was a lot that was arbitrary and kind of irrational in Western thought, too... I'm OK with believing there's a God without having evidence because there are a lot of other things that I believe in without evidence, too. I believe in these things because I have a clear and distinct impression that they are true. For me God was one of those things."

Yadzi's experience in the classroom may have brought him to that conclusion, but it was a personal experience that confirmed his belief in God.

"I went on a pilgrimage and had a spiritual and emotional experience that made me convinced there was something bigger than myself in the universe," he said. "But those experiences, by definition, can only convince the people who've had them. So I'm convinced that there is a God. But I'm never going to be so presumptuous as to say my conception and understanding of God is correct, and I'm never going to be afraid if something questions that God."

As for the effect college has had on his beliefs, Yadzi said the most important learning experience was not a set of ideas, but a relationship of ideas.

"I learned to match the strength of my conviction in

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CAMPUS FAITH SERIES

In this second installment of a three part series on faith at the College of William and Mary, a redefined Muslim and self-defined apathetic discuss religion as a college student. Next week, the story continues with a Christian with a supernatural experience and a Jewish student who kept Shabbat for a semester.



Deserted sons lack depth in new show

By ELLIE KAUFMAN
Flat Hat Assoc. Variety Editor

In Fox's newest comedy, "Sons of Tucson," three brothers trying to stay out of foster care move halfway across the country to set up new lives for themselves. After their father is imprisoned for bank fraud, there is only one thing missing from their seemingly foolproof plan: a dad. To remedy this inconvenient situation, Gary, Brandon and Robby Gunderson hire the first guy they can find to the position. But Ron Snuffkin (Tyler Labine), a local Sports Space employee living out of his beat-down station wagon, ends up becoming more than just a temporary fix to the brothers' situation.

Gary (Frank Dolce) the middle brother and the brains of the operation, thinks the brothers will only need Ron to sign them up for school, so the trio offers Ron quick and easy money in exchange for a small performance. Ron plays his part convincingly, signing the boys up for

school and attempting to avoid suspicion by spinning a heartbreaking tale involving Hurricane Katrina, a dead mother and new beginnings in Tucson.

After a few hilarious bumps in the road, one disastrous trip to grandmother Ethel's, a hijacked car and an intimidating blonde debt collector named Larry, Ron and the three brothers realize that they have a somewhat symbiotic relationship. Ron needs the money, the brothers need a father, and Ron is fairly good at coming up with stories and keeping up the whole charade. In order to maintain their new lifestyle in Tucson, the brothers soon realize that they are going to need a more permanent fake father figure, so they offer Ron a full-time position.

Out of this strange partnership develops a new American family with a twist of modern economic crisis. Ron serves as the entertaining, albeit oblivious, Jack Black-type of father figure, trying to take care of three kids who are clearly in desperate need of a real dad. Gary, the mastermind, is a

nerdy boy-genius who is probably the most responsible of the family. Brandon (Matthew Levy), the older but less mature brother, plays the part of stereotypical male teenager, trying to establish his new cool image in Tucson. Robby (Benjamin Stockham), the youngest, is your typical boy, fascinated by video games and monster trucks; but underneath that seemingly playful exterior, Robby seems to be the one most affected by his dead-beat dad's absence.

Together, the four make an unfortunate situation into an entertaining life. The boys live out the childhood dream of no adult supervision, complete with an unlimited money supply, while trying to appear to be a normal suburban family. The show itself, a kind of "Malcolm in the Middle" comedy minus the conventional family values, is a mindlessly entertaining quick break from your average prime-time soap opera, and promises to become a must-see on Fox's Sunday night comedy block. The show premiered March 14 and is scheduled to air Sundays at 9:30 p.m.



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Brothers, Robby, Gary and Brandon Gunderson, drag their pretend father Ron Snuffkin along the Tucson desert. In Fox's newest comedy, Ron serves as the boys fake father while their real dad is in prison for bank fraud. The show is set in the sweltering Tucson, Ariz.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Finding pleasure in a painful paradox

Maya Horowitz

FLAT HAT SEX COLUMNIST



You're naked, kind of. Wrapped around your body — and, *bien sur*, your junk — is a black cord. It's holding your arms in the air and your legs to the ground. Come to think of it, it's kind of tight. There's probably going to be a mark there in the morning. A masked man emerges out of the darkness in front of you. He's got a whip in one hand, and he's smacking it into the other. He smiles as he comes closer.

Are you having a nightmare or a wet dream?

It all depends on where you draw the line between pleasure and pain. Although the two are purported to be opposites, many people find that in the heat of the moment, they are indistinguishable.

The example above is an extreme. Most people draw the line before whips, chains and welts, but everyone has a threshold, and most people are titillated by a little bit of pain now and then.

Many of us associate these themes with BDSM, which refers to bondage, dominance and sadomasochism. We write off the value of a little pain while in bed. We must give up the notion of the sexual divide — the myth that some people are into pain and others aren't. Sexual differences are quantitative, not qualitative. It's not if you like pain, it's how much pain you like.

Disagree? Consider the case of spanking: You're doing it like Fido, and your arms are on her hips. Suddenly, you notice her nice, firm butt. Go ahead, give it a little smack. Light spanking is pretty vanilla, but it is nonetheless a mixture of pleasure and pain. Other painful sex acts include hair pulling and biting.

So why mix it up? Pleasure is pleasure; leave it alone, right? Wrong. Adding pain to the equation provides a nice contrast. If your partner nibbles your nipple then starts sucking on it tenderly, you're likely to enjoy the sucking more than you would have if you hadn't been bitten.

Rough play can be a sign of passion. Bringing your animalistic side out for a little while to ravish your bedmate is often a good idea. Many people, given a safe environment, appreciate the idea

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Falling back down the rabbit hole

Burton brings new twists but stays true to the classic

By **MAGGIE REEB**
Flat Hat News Editor

When Tim Burton decided to direct the live-action version of Lewis Carroll's beloved "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," two cults began anticipating what was sure to be either an epic flop or a great trip back to Wonderland.

Thankfully, it was the latter.

For those that have never read the book or seen the original 1951 Disney movie, the new version of 'Alice in Wonderland' will be an enjoyable and trippy experience. Those already familiar with the story will either be upset by how the latest interpretation varies from the original or enjoy it as an opportunity to reunite with some familiar characters.

The movie opens with Alice as a young girl, scared by nightmares of her adventures in Wonderland. It then jumps forward 13 years to her would-be engagement party, where, despite believing her adventures a dream, a familiar white rabbit leads her into Wonderland once again.

Here is where the story devolves into a traditional epic. There is a prophecy, the reluctant hero, a battle between good and evil and, inevitably, a happy ending.

The Red Queen has taken over Wonderland, wreaking havoc and desolation. Only Alice can slay the jabberwocky and restore the crown to the White Queen.

Despite the simple and generic storyline, there is a plot. Rather than sitting back and enjoying the opiate-induced musings of a 19th century writer, there is a clear beginning, middle and end. In a smart move, Burton, rather than creating a whole new storyline, centers the plot on a portion of the book.

Diehard Alice fans will enjoy the many cameos of familiar characters like the rocking horse flies, the flower women and the hedgehog, as well as the lines of Carroll's prose written into the movie's dialogue.

Burton also makes Alice's life in the real world mirror her adventures in Wonderland. Her would-be mother-in-law shouts about roses; a la the Red Queen, and an annoying set of twins prattle on just like Tweedledee and Tweedledum.

Most of Burton's interpretations of the story's characters are creatively conceived, putting an edgy spin on the cartoon versions. Alice, played by newcomer Mia Wasikowska, is the same spunky girl determined to forge her own path and think for herself, even in a world full of nonsense. But the new grown-up version of Alice, in search of her "muchness," takes bigger risks and thinks on her feet. Johnny Depp, as usual, is excellent, portraying the Mad Hatter as

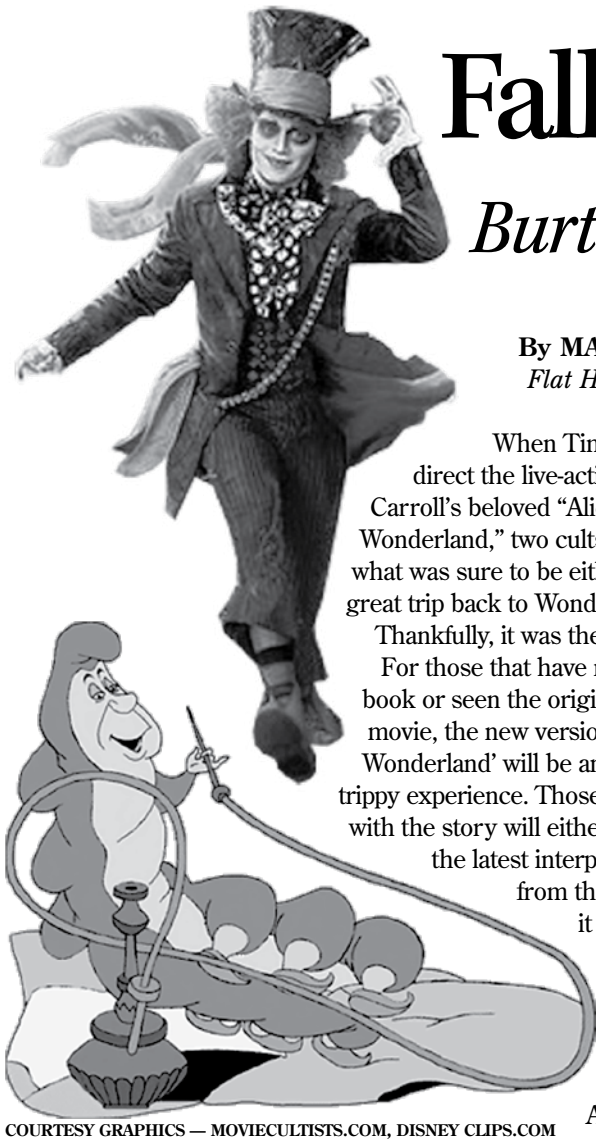
a crazed but sympathetic man in desperate need of some hair care. Helena Bonham Carter plays the giant-headed Queen of Hearts to perfection, and Anne Hathaway plays a great White Queen without overacting the part.

Perhaps the only character letdowns are the Cheshire Cat and the Caterpillar. Sadly, we just don't get to see enough of the Cat, and the Caterpillar sounds a bit too much like Severus Snape of the "Harry Potter" films.

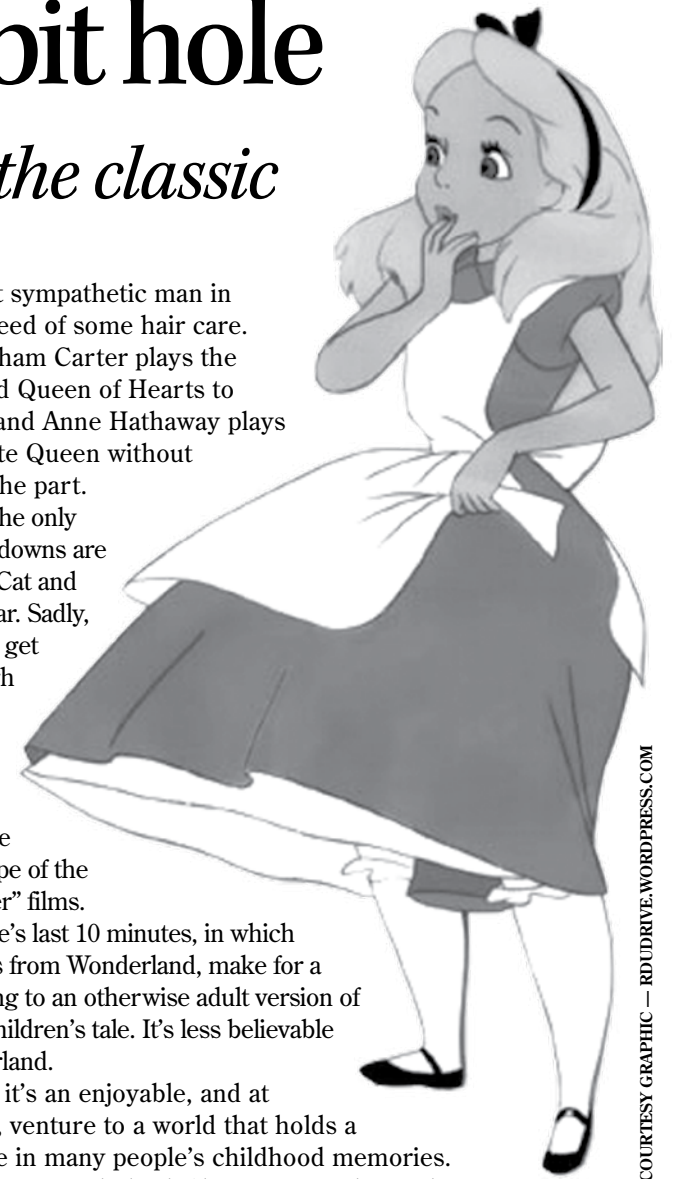
The movie's last 10 minutes, in which Alice returns from Wonderland, make for a cheesy ending to an otherwise adult version of the classic children's tale. It's less believable than Wonderland.

All in all, it's an enjoyable, and at times funny, venture to a world that holds a special place in many people's childhood memories.

Upon leaving Wonderland, Alice comforts the Mad Hatter by saying she'll be back soon. We can't wait.



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College setting fuels faith and uncertainty

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the truth or falsehood of an idea with the amount of my knowledge regarding that idea. You should be the most convinced about the things you know the most about, and you should be the least tenacious about the ideas you know the least about," he said.

Another senior at the College has found his faith to be more personal since coming to college. Prior to life at the College he was regularly involved in his home church, but since then his spirituality has become less corporal and more private. He wished to remain anonymous, because the personal nature of the discussion was "almost as if you're reading my diary."

Finding a sense of ownership of his faith, he finds that his Christianity has turned to apathy upon coming to college. He describes his current faith as, "A few shreds of what I had in high school. In high school, I had a somewhat stronger faith in Christianity. But coming to college, it was not so much an experience that changed or questioned my faith; it was more that it weakened it to the point of apathy."

However, his confidence in apathy is stronger than his faith in his former Christianity.

"I think it's good, because even though I say I'm apathetic, I feel like I'm making my own decision, and I'm not going to church out of habit or routine," he said. "I'm not going to church because I'm choosing not to go to church. I've definitely put a lot of thought into it. I keep a specific religious thought journal, so I've definitely matured in the college environment religiously."

He said his maturation comes from comparing his ideas of religion to morality.

"I'm trying to figure out whether or not religion seems like a moral compass that should guide you in certain situations," he said. "I don't know what to think of it, it's still a mess."

He said he explores these thoughts in his journal as opposed to conversations because he'd "rather talk about girls."

His idea of religion as something on the backburner comes from a long-term view.

"The way I look at it, I have another 60 to 70 years to figure it out, and as long as I keep some minimal thought to this process, it's something that's relatively important to me. I don't want to throw it away completely," he said. "I don't think I need to determine an answer in college; I need to determine an answer sometime."

He believes this passivity stems from his focus on time-consuming schoolwork and different relationships.

"I've been so busy with schoolwork. The main point is that it really depends on who your circle of friends is, your main crew of friends," he said. "I know a lot of people that have a very strong inner circle of friends that are very solidified and rooted and grounded in their faith, and that just self-perpetuates that strength in their religion's faith. But if you're not part of that circle, it's either up to you, or it's going to fall through. I've sort of become apathetic. I haven't ditched it, but I'm certainly not as dedicated as before."

Despite describing himself as apathetic, he is still interested in religion.

"I'm intrinsically curious as to spiritual faith," he said. "I believe that there's more to the physical world. How much more there is, I don't know, I have no idea. But I like to entertain the idea that there is a supreme being, and I'm still uncertain how much of that is true."

Describing the difference between home and college, he said his questioning has come from the diversity in college.

"Part of it is you're exposed to novel people, novel personalities, novel thoughts," he said. "I've lived in my hometown for 21 years, so it's the same people that I've grown up with forever. But at college there's a lot of diverse thought, so that puts obstacles in your faith, and if your faith isn't strong enough, you're going to question that."

College and the overall college community had a significant impact on both students' religious beliefs in opposite ways. While one strengthened his faith when coming to college, the other only questioned his further. In next week's installment, a Christian with supernatural experiences and a Jewish student who kept Shabbat for an entire semester discuss their stories.

Bringing together bonding and bondage

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of a partner being so turned on they can hardly control himself or herself.

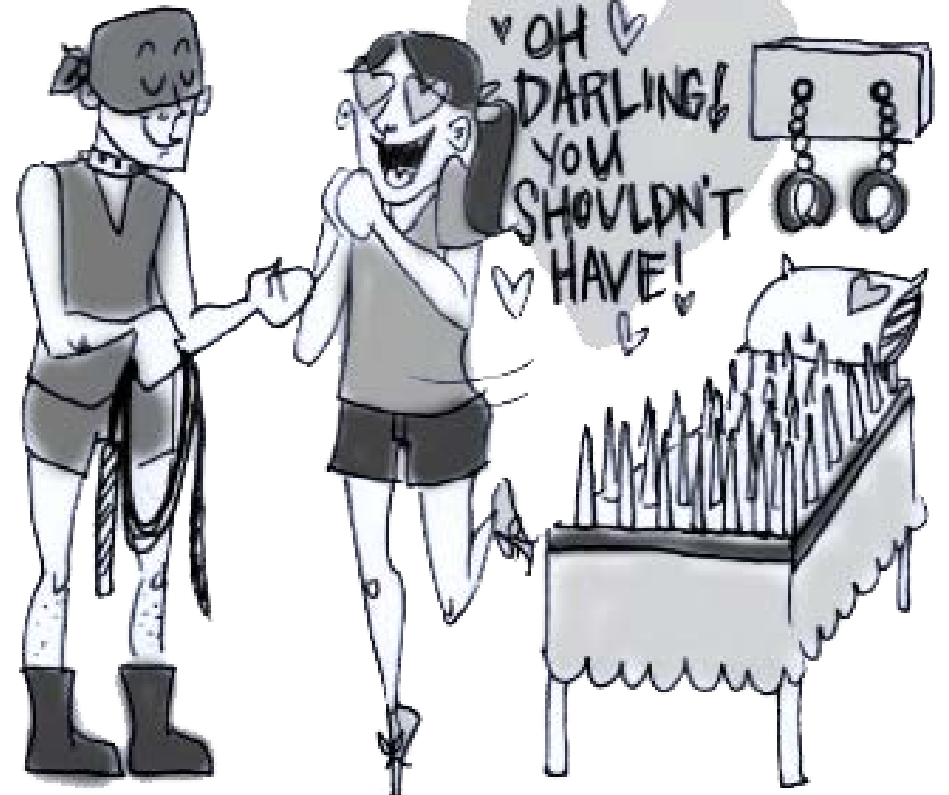
Additionally, the idea of incorporating pain is considered very naughty. And who among us doesn't want to find themselves occasionally on Santa's bad list?

For me, the realization that many people mix pleasure and pain was surprising. One of my close friends revealed to me that he's into being choked during sex. My first reaction was, "Why would you do that? You seem so normal." The truth is, he's not that aberrant. Choking isn't my cup of tea, but it's not my place to judge where he draws the line.

Now if I were to hop into bed with him, we might have a bit of an issue. What would be the appropriate way to bring up such a fetish? Would it be best if we stopped during foreplay to decide that later on in the night my hands would be around his neck? Or should I just spring it on him in the moment ("Surprise! You can't breathe!")?

As with any sexual preference, it's all about feeling your partner out. First-time sex tends to be pretty bland, but once you've hooked up a few times, it's alright to let your freak flag fly. If you're too embarrassed to ask, consider the source of the shame. Sex is an adult activity for many reasons. One of them is that you have to be mature enough to speak openly about your fantasies.

One critical note: Trust is essential. This is true in all kinds of sex, but especially



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when pain comes into the picture. There's a huge difference between your long-time girlfriend attaching electrodes to your nipples and asking you to call her "Big Mama" and a one-night stand you found at the Green Leaf Cafe doing the same.

Now go buy some candles and drip them

all over your privates. Let your woman scratch her nails down your back. Go nuts. Go crazy. Flout the idea that pain and pleasure are separate entities. And could you maybe choke me a little, too?

Maya Horowitz is the Flat Hat sex columnist. She prefers sandpaper sheets to satin ones.

THAT GIRL

Rhodes Scholar shows true school spirit

By **ALLIE JONES**
Flat Hat That Girl Columnist

From looking at her resume, it is clear that Kira Allmann is involved on campus to the nth degree. That being said, she is much more than a list of activities and honors. Kira is engaged in and passionate about everything she does, from assisted with research in the government department to attending Tribe basketball games. She recently learned that her concentration in modern Middle Eastern studies has been approved for the Rhodes Scholarship she will pursue at University of Oxford over the next two years. Although her immediate future is set, Kira's not slowing down — her campus activity at the College of William and Mary is evidence to that.

What primarily are you involved in on campus?

I do a variety of different things in terms of clubs and organizations. I'm the president of Mortar Board, and I love that. I'm on the exec. board for the Middle Eastern Cultural Association, and we have a lot of fun. It's very low-key, but we have a lot of fun doing it. I'm also very involved in Pi Sigma Alpha, which you've probably never heard of, but it's the government

honors society. I helped to revive it with a couple others. We do a lot of fun things — we run High Tea in Morton Hall, which is kind of comical. I also do research in the government and linguistics departments — I'm a government and linguistics double major. I've worked in the government department for four years. I used to be an Arabic [Teaching Assistant], which is probably one of the most fun things I've done as a student. I'm TA-ing this semester for a government class, research methods.

What is your favorite spot in Williamsburg?

Well, I'm from Williamsburg; I've lived here for 10 years. I went to Lafayette High School. But my favorite spot: I used to be pretty hardcore into bicycling, which I sadly don't do as much anymore, but I would always stop at College Landing Park. But really, my favorite spot in Williamsburg is somewhere at William and Mary, and I can safely say that having lived here for 10 years — probably the basketball arena right now.

Tell me about your experience with the Rhodes Scholarship program.

I'm a Rhodes Scholar for 2010, which is really exciting. It frankly

hasn't even hit me yet, that I have this huge honor ahead of me. I'm going for an m-fill in modern Middle Eastern studies; that's a two-year degree, but I have the option to stay for a third year, so we'll see. Basically, the selection is very competitive and intense; it took up a lot of my time first semester, but obviously it was very well worth it. I have to say I met some of the coolest people ever when I went to do my interview.

Do you have any plans for after you finish the program?

I probably seem like one of those people that has a big plan, and I'm not. I don't like to rule anything out. So right now if you ask me where I see myself years from now, it would be doing one of three things. I could come back to the states and work on a Ph. D., which doesn't sound too exciting right now, but it might be. You never know where my research could take me. Option two would be to work for the United States government for a while, get some hands-on experience and exposure to politics. It would be a nice change of pace from being in school. Option three would be to join AmeriCorps for a while. I've looked at a couple of programs that deal with Muslim and immigrant communities in the

United States. It might be a great way to re-acclimate myself to the United States and do some hands-on stuff — again, a change of pace from being in school. But you never know. You could check back with me and I might be starting a cooking show or something. I like to kind of play it by ear — it's kind of scary to plan beyond the next two, three years.

Look for the rest of the interview with Kira online at flatatnews.com to find out her favorite spot in Williamsburg and what she wishes she knew as a freshman.



OLYVIA SALTER — THE FLAT HAT
Allmann '10 is heading to the University of Oxford next year.

INSIDE SPORTS

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What's on TV

NBA

Spurs vs. Magic

— 8 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Old Dominion vs. Notre Dame

— 12:30 p.m. Thursday on CBS



Sound bytes

"I'm a father now so I thought about giving them a timeout."

Tennis player Roger Federer on an argument between tennis legends Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi during a charity tournament.



By the numbers

\$100,000

Amount of taxpayer money spent on a new Zamboni machine for the Orlando Magic's new basketball arena. Orlando does not have a hockey team.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

TRACK AND FIELD

Grey earns second straight All-American designation

Senior Jon Grey finished fifth in the 5,000 meter finals Friday at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Arkansas en route to earning the second All-American certificate of his career. Grey's time of 13:46.21 is the second-fastest time in school history behind Matt Lane's '01 time of 13:43.36. Grey finished ten seconds behind the leader as he moved up from 14th position to his eventual fifth place finish.

MEN'S TENNIS

Despite Whitford's winner, Tribe falls to N.C. State

The Tribe dropped a road match against No. 40 N.C. State 5-2 Sunday, their second road loss to an ACC opponent in the last week. Freshman Jamie Whitford defeated the Wolfpack's Rob Lowe 7-6 (5), 6-0 to pick up the College's only singles win of the match. Whitford also teamed with junior Sebastien Vidal to help the Tribe win the doubles point. The 53rd-ranked Tribe returns to action Thursday in the Blue Gray Classic in Montgomery, Ala.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

Gygax, College take down Springfield at home

Five Tribe gymnasts recorded personal-best scores on the parallel bars to defeat Springfield College Sunday 337.80-336.60. Seniors Derek Gygax and Josh Fried, juniors Andy Hunter and Alex Gerter and freshman Vince Smurro all recorded personal best scores on the bars, the last event of the day, to bring home the victory. Fried also recorded a personal best score of 14.70 to win the floor exercise while Gygax finished third in the all-around with a score of 84.00.

ATHLETE FOCUS

SEBASTIEN VIDAL
JUNIOR, TENNIS



The Flat Hat caught up with junior Sebastien Vidal to discuss his home country, favorite music, and Coach Daub.

What is the biggest difference between tennis in Guatemala and the US?

The weather. It's way warmer down there and we play outside.

What type of music do you listen to in order to get ready for matches?

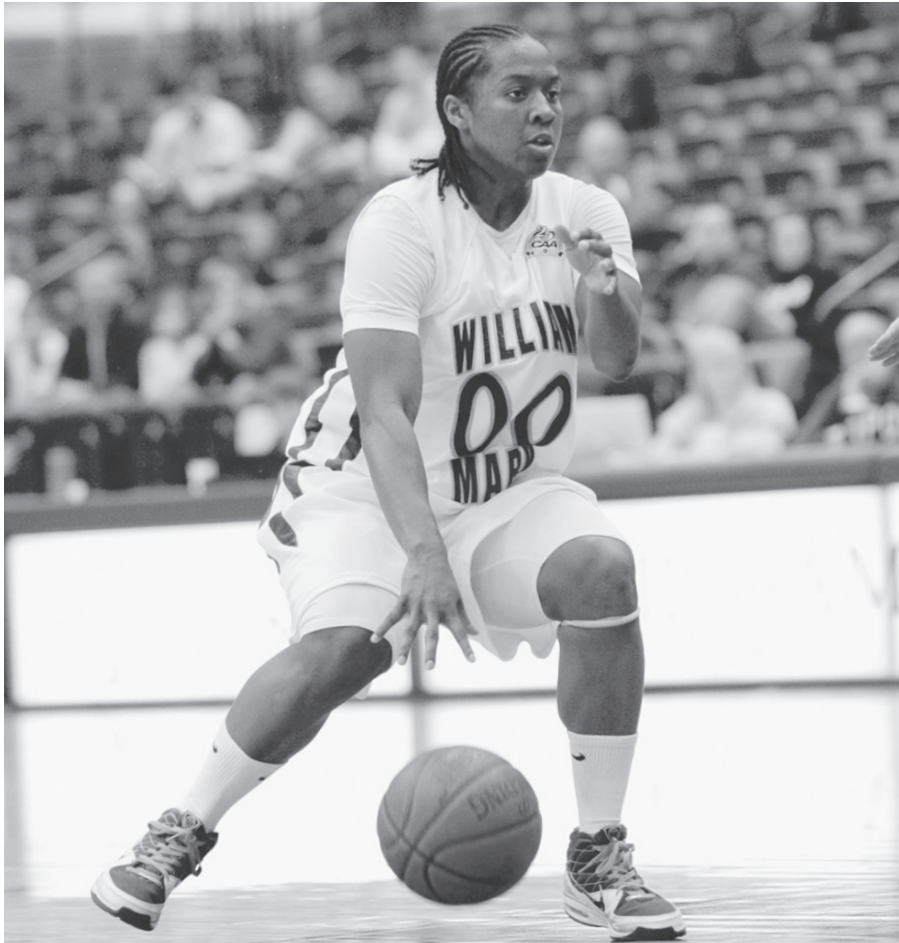
A lot of reggaeton.

What is the best piece of advice that Coach Daub has given you?

Stay calm. He told me that I have the weapons and the tools to be a great player.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

College falls in first round of CAA tournament



KYLE MCMAHON—THE FLAT HAT
Sophomore guard Taysha Pye led the Tribe with 11 points and five boards against Hofstra.

Tribe bench outscored 24-0 in Benson's last game

By TRAVIS TRIGGS
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The William and Mary women's basketball team fell 66-50 to Hofstra Thursday in Harrisonburg, Va., ending its run in the CAA Tournament and finishing the season at 12-18, the worst finish for the College in the past five years.

"We had a very good first half, but missed some opportunities in transition. That really cost us the game," Head Coach Debbie Taylor said.

The Tribe led by three at halftime before going on a 9-2 run to take a 34-24 lead. A jump shot by freshman forward Emily Correal off a pass from sophomore guard Taysha Pye cut the lead to 45-40, but the Tribe would get no closer.

"The score isn't indicative of our performance," Taylor said. "We let it get away from us at the end."

Four Tribe players scored in double figures, including Correal and Pye, who scored 11 points apiece. Correal also tallied 7 rebounds and 3 assists, finishing second for the Tribe in both categories.

Senior forward Tiffany Benson scored 10 points and pulled down 8 rebounds in

her last game for the Tribe, while junior guard Lindsey Moller scored 10 points on 5-for-6 shooting to go along with 3 steals.

"We had no scoring from the bench," Taylor said. "We needed more people to contribute."

The Pride bench outscored the Tribe 24-0, with sophomore guard Katherine DeHenzel being the only other Tribe player to finish in the score sheet with 8 points. Despite the efforts from Benson and Correal, the Tribe was out-rebounded by the Pride 44-35.

For the first time this season, the College did not sink a three-pointer. Sophomore guard Janine Aldridge, usually reliable from behind the arc, finished 0-for-5 from the floor, while the team finished a combined 0-for-6 from behind the three-point line.

The College dropped six of its last seven to end the season.

"This was a rebuilding year; we're a young team. It's exciting to think we had a number of freshmen and sophomores with significant game time this year. We're really looking forward to working with the team as a coaching staff this offseason to improve for next year," Taylor said.

BASEBALL

Williams cool under pressure as Tribe heats up

Underclassmen help College defeat 11th-ranked North Carolina, sweep weekend series

By JACK LAMBERT
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

Like his fellow underclassmen, freshman third baseman Ryan Williams is only getting better as he goes along.

Williams struggled with the transition from shortstop to

third at the beginning of the season, especially in the series against Louisiana State University.

Now, he's running into walls at North Carolina to catch foul balls, hitting game tying home runs against the no. 1 team in the country, and playing with a confidence that helped the Tribe go 4-1 last week.

"I'm just trying to have a lot more fun," Williams said. "I came back from LSU frustrated with my swing, and I just wanted to get back to the basics and fundamentals and have some fun while doing it."

Williams, who came into Tuesday batting .296, had two hits against the Tar Heels, singling twice in the Tribe's 3-0 victory. He had two hits the next day as well, going two-for-four Wednesday against Virginia, the top-ranked team in the country, including a solo home run to left-center field in the sixth inning that tied the game at 6-6.

"Coach had said scoot up on the plate a little bit and make the adjustment," Williams said. "My approach was down, my timing was right and I got all of it."

It was a shot reminiscent of former Tribe standout third basemen Tyler Stampone '09 and Greg Sexton '07.

"We think he's a terrific player. We thought he was a hell of an athlete. He has a great body, a great third baseman's body. We saw a lot

of things from him we really like," Head Coach Frank Leoni said. "I think he's the most athletic third baseman we've had here so far, and you know who we had here before."

Not to be outdone, freshman starter Brett Koehler held Virginia to one run through the first five innings, allowing three hits and striking out six in an eventual 12-6 loss to the Cavaliers.

"Koehler did a great job. He threw the ball exceptionally well. I don't think you can ask for much more than what he gave us," Leoni said. "I don't know what else to say. He's going to be awfully good."

As good as Koehler was Wednesday, sophomore starter Cole Shain was better Tuesday. Shain held North Carolina scoreless through five innings in Chapel Hill, getting the victory in the Tribe's 3-0 win against a team that has made four straight College World Series appearances.

"It's mostly about location," Shain said. "We were mixing up our pitches, working both sides of the plate, keeping hitters off balance. We had a really good plan back there."

The weekend belonged to another talented underclassman, as freshman starter Brett Goodloe, taking the mound after the Tribe defeated Quinnipiac 11-4 and 12-3 in a doubleheader Friday, pitched a complete game shutout Sunday against the Bearcats en route to a 10-0 victory.

Goodloe was nearly perfect, allowing neither a hit nor a walk until a single into left with one down in the fifth. Goodloe only allowed four total hits on the day, but he found himself in a jam in the bottom of the ninth with one out and the bases loaded.

Seeing his pitcher and roommate in trouble, Williams headed to the mound to talk to Goodloe.

"I just told him not to get frustrated. He had pitched a great game so far, and he just wanted to finish up what he wanted to do," Williams said. "He wasn't happy with his last couple outings, but he pitched a great game."

Goodloe induced a comebacker to the mound and fired the ball to sophomore catcher Sean Aiken, who threw it to sophomore first baseman Tadd Bower for the game-ending double play.

And once again, the Tribe underclassmen helped secure another victory.

"Coach said it already: this is a talented group with a freshman class that has a lot of talent," Williams said. "We all just want to win, and we all play hard."

From The Press Box

For additional coverage of the Tribe's win over North Carolina, check out sophomore reliever Matt Davenport's blog at Flathatnews.com.

Tribe just short

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it can possibly be."

After the final buzzer sounded and an overjoyed and ecstatic Old Dominion student section vigorously rushed the floor, the Tribe was left to digest the remnants of a season that fell just short of miraculous.

The College had earned its first ever CAA tournament bye, won 22 games for the first time in decades, and became the first CAA school to defeat two ACC programs on the road.

"It's not a great feeling because everybody wants to play in the tournament," Sumner said. "I really wanted to win this game and make it. But we won 20 games, and made it to the championship game twice in my career, so it's been okay."

College earns first postseason bid since 1983



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Freshman forward Kyle Gaillard

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season. North Carolina made postseason appearances after each of Shaver's four years as a Tar Heel.

"I do think when I get down there and see that Carolina blue, I will be having a little bit different feelings about the whole thing," Shaver said. "We are playing in Carmichael Auditorium, the old gym, and that's where we played when I was in school, so it will bring back a lot of memories, I'm sure. I'll probably feel right at home. When I played there, I didn't play much. I sat on the bench a lot, and I'll be on the bench again tomorrow night."

Assistant Coach Jonathan Holmes also played basketball for

North Carolina, helping the Tar Heels advance to the Final Four in 2000.

Despite the challenge posed by North Carolina, the Tribe will attempt to prove itself on a national stage by relying on the strategies that allowed them to have one of the most successful seasons in school history.

"Coach Shaver and his staff have just done a great job of getting everybody to believe in the system and believe in each other," McCurdy said. "This team in particular has been the closest team I have ever been a part of. We really trust each other, we really believe in each other, and we are just going to go out there on Tuesday night and just give it our best."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Cordially invited

Tribe makes second postseason appearance ever, faces UNC in NIT



PHILIP DELANO—THE FLAT HAT

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After falling to Old Dominion in the CAA tournament final and missing out on its first NCAA tournament bid, William and Mary (22-10, 12-6 CAA) was forced to wait for Sunday night's NIT selection show to find out its postseason fate. It took a little while, but the squad and its fans liked the end result.

The College received the fifth seed in the final quarter of the bracket revealed by the ESPNU anchors, and will travel to face fourth-seeded North Carolina Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. The game will be

broadcast on ESPN.

A crowded Commonwealth Auditorium erupted in celebration after learning the outcome, the Tribe's second NIT appearance after losing to Virginia Tech in the first round in 1983.

A victory against the Tar Heels would likely send the Tribe to take on top-seeded Mississippi State (23-11), while UAB (23-8) and South Florida (20-12) are also present in the region.

"I was excited for our guys because I really hoped that we would play a big-name school. I thought it would mean more to everybody," Head Coach Tony Shaver said. "The only thing that really struck me once I got my bearings was that we

weren't playing at home. I'll be honest with you, I think it's a great injustice that we are going there and not playing at home. I think it's unfair, but I will very quickly say that to be in this national tournament, we will play anywhere, any time. We are over that and ready to move on."

After winning the 2009 NCAA National Championship, the Tar Heels fell short of expectations this season, mustering a 5-11 record in conference and 16-16 overall. Despite UNC's modest 2010 resume, Tribe players and coaches believe that the sheer history of the North Carolina program alone makes them a formidable opponent.

"I think whoever our opponent is, we are going to be prepared and ready," senior guard Sean McCurdy said. "The fact that our opponent is North Carolina and considering the tradition that they have, it will be something special. It will be a good opportunity for our team to go out there, and believe in each other, and try to execute our game plan."

Although playing in the hostile Carmichael Auditorium will not be an easy task, the College takes solace in the fact that it is 2-0 on the road against ACC opponents this season, defeating Wake Forest and Maryland on their home courts. North Carolina went 1-2 against those same two teams this season.

2010 NIT first round

No. 5 William and Mary at
No. 4 North Carolina

9:30 tonight at Carmichael Auditorium, Chapel Hill, N.C. TV: ESPN

Despite falling just short of making its first ever NCAA tournament, the College still feels honored to have made the NIT, especially considering the number of high caliber programs that made the cut.

"You look at that tournament from Arizona State to Connecticut to last year's national champion, North Carolina, it's a star-studded field," Shaver said. "So, I was excited for our guys because I really hoped that we would play a big-name school. I thought it would mean more to everybody."

The College's visit to Chapel Hill will also serve as a homecoming for two Tribe coaches. Head Coach Tony Shaver, a 1976 North Carolina graduate, played under legendary UNC coach Dean Smith.

Shaver walked on to the team during the 1972 season and earned a scholarship after his rookie

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The Carolina Connection

NIT matchups often feature two teams with little history. This will not be true in the case of William and Mary and North Carolina.

The Tribe have four players from the state of North Carolina, including freshman guard Matt Rum from Chapel Hill, N.C.

But the basketball connections between these two universities run even deeper, as the two teams have shared a fair amount of history since they first met in 1911:

— The Tribe played in the first game at Carmichael Auditorium on December 4, 1965, losing 82-68.

— The College's last win over a ranked opponent was December 7, 1977 at home against North Carolina. The Tribe defeated the No. 2 ranked Tar Heels 78-75.

— Head Coach Tony Shaver played at North Carolina from 1972 to 1976 and played in the NIT in 1973 and 1974.

CAA TOURNAMENT

College's NCAA hopes end against ODU in CAA championship

Tribe can't close late gap, falls 60-53 in second CAA finals appearance in three years

By MATT POMS

Flat Hat Sports Editor

The magic was just inches below the surface late Monday night, waiting to be unleashed. A deep three-pointer from senior forward Danny Sumner pulled William and Mary to within five points of conference behemoth Old Dominion with 61 seconds remaining in the CAA championship game, the closest the College had reached since early in the first half.

The Tribe was not supposed to stand a chance against the taller, stronger, more talented Monarchs, but the team that just didn't quit, so calm and collected in late game situations, was on the verge of pulling out yet another incredible comeback.

Then it all faded. The shots that had so often fallen for the College in clutch situations failed to drop, and the season's heroes could not close the final gap.

The Tribe came no closer than those tantalizing five points, and fell to Old Dominion 60-53, temporarily halting a season that had the College and its fans dreaming of heights never before reached.

"The game was heartbreaking," senior guard David Schneider said. "I felt that we had a chance to win the game in the last minute. But this season has been magical."

The Tribe's second CAA championship ap-

pearance in three years summed up the squad's season in a nutshell. At times the College looked helplessly overmatched, unable to contend with a team with realistic hopes of advancing in the NCAA tournament. At others, the Tribe taunted its raucous fans with its defensive intensity and smoothly-functioning offense that had managed to take down some of the top teams in the nation. Throughout, William and Mary's heart and grit kept it in a contest that few in the CAA could have survived.

But in the end, the Monarchs proved too talented and too clutch for the Tribe to overcome.

"It was certainly a tough loss for our ball club," Head Coach Tony Shaver said. "Old Dominion is an outstanding team and really played well tonight. When they shoot the ball that well, they can beat a lot of people."

A 10-0 Monarch run midway through the first half put the CAA regular season champions up 27-14 with the College struggling at both ends of the floor. A 7-0 Old Dominion run to start the second half advanced that lead to 14 points at 38-34, and the competitive portion of the night's proceedings appeared over.

Old Dominion's powerful zone defense kept the Tribe offense sputtering, while forwards Gerald Lee and Frank Hassell dominated in the offensive paint.

But few squads can match the College in willpower and determination, and the Tribe's four seniors would not let their dreams of a first-ever

NCAA tournament berth die early.

"I think this team plays with a lot of heart, and it kept us in there today," Shaver said. "We weren't really that good offensively or execution-wise, but we showed an awful lot of heart."

The Tribe clamped down defensively, and slowly fought its way back. With 13:03 remaining and the College trailing by 13, Sumner took over, scoring 10 of the squad's next 12 points to cut the deficit to seven as the pockets of green and gold throughout the stands roared to life.

Although the game seemed over, William and Mary simply refused to lie down.

But Old Dominion is an at-large-quality NCAA tournament team for a reason. Each time the College seemed poised to pull close, the Monarchs managed to thwart its efforts.

"When we cut it to six or five, they hit a big three or a big two," Schneider said. "For guys to step up and hit those shots, that's why they're the number one seed and CAA champions."

The Tribe was unable to draw even. But in the attempt, the squad showed 11,200 fans exactly the mettle and resolve that had gotten them to the brink of a conference title.

"I've coached for 30 years, but I've never been prouder of a team than I am of this one," Shaver said. "I mean that sincerely. As a coach you always hope that your team is as good as it can be, and this team's pretty close to being as good as

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THE FLAT HAT—PHILIP DELANO
Sophomore guard Kendrix Brown leaving the floor.