



The University
Of Virginia's
College at Wise

The HIGHLAND CAVALIER

Up Close and Personal with the Exchange Students

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Staff Writer

On October 27, 1999 Randy Gilmer had the privilege of interviewing UVA-Wise's five Turkish exchange students and also Sami Ferliel, the Turkish professor we are lucky to have here on campus. The five individuals in the exchange program are Alihan Karakartal, Tugba Tukar, Senay Gunes, Bilgen Tamakan, and Umit Ersamut. They each studied at Istanbul University before arriving here to the states.

Professor Ferliel taught English and literature in Istanbul and is now offering courses in the Turkish language here at UVA-Wise. He hopes to start classes in which he will be able to teach the culture and geography of Turkey. He has had much experience in the field of education in his past years, and this is his fourth visit to the United states. In 1996 he spent three weeks in Maine, Vermont, Connecticut, and Canada.

UVA-Wise's campus took the

opportunity to celebrate Turkish Republic day with our exchange students, and professor Ferliel took a moment to tell about this holiday. It began on October 29, 1923 to celebrate the declaration of Turkey. Each exchange student said that they were happy that the campus got involved to help them celebrate this special occasion.

Alihan was the first student to be interviewed and he told about how he got here and his past experience with our school. In spring of 1996 he came here as a freshman and then had to postpone his education for two years. During this time he spent a year in New York, and eventually decided to come back here to graduate. Alihan is now a regular student at this college and plans to possibly stay in the states after graduation.

Bilgen is now a senior at UVA-Wise and is majoring in business administration. Senay and Tugba are also business majors, and all three young ladies previously studied at Istanbul University. There they majored in economy

which, relates to their classes here. Bilgen is still undecided on exactly what she wants to do, but there is a possibility that she might attend graduate school

Umit stressed that he was homesick when he first arrived here, but he is now finding it easier to adjust. He talked about how different it was coming from Istanbul with twelve million people to the small community of Wise. Being that far away from home must be tough on each of these students, but they had the ambition to be involved in the exchange program between Istanbul University and UVA-Wise.

Randy Gilmer concluded his interview by inviting Professor Ferliel and the students back for another interview where they will have the chance to talk more about their time here, and their home in Turkey. They agreed to come back and share more about different topics in the future. So we should all look forward to learning more about the Turkish exchange group here on campus.

Honor Court or Not?

Keshia Dykes
Staff Writer

At their November 3 meeting, Senate officials concluded that the campus Honor System needs either to be overhauled or dismantled.

Problems identified by Senate members include the difficulty of proving plagiarism when Internet sources are used. Honor System gray areas such as reasonable suspicion and reasonable doubt, and the growing lack of support for the Honor System by faculty members and students.

"It is hard to check Internet sources for plagiarism because the sites may be there one day, but gone the next," said one professor. Other professors have expressed similar concerns regarding the Internet as a resource tool for researching topics. A Senate official said that "...it is easy to just look up other people's papers published on the web and cut, copy, and paste your way into a paper."

The second problem identified involves Honor System gray areas

reasonable suspicion and reasonable doubt.

Reasonable suspicion means that a student has cheated or that plagiarism has occurred but no concrete evidence has been found to prove that the student actually cheated.

A third difficulty is the growing lack of support for the Honor System by faculty members and students.

Senate members suggested the formation of an executive committee to investigate the extent of the lack of support for the Honor System.

Other problems discussed included how well students understand what plagiarism is; the inadequate period allowed for reporting cases to the Honor Court; and who should determine the grade on an assignment when an Honor Court verdict goes in favor of the student.

"Honor should be like the blood of the system...it needs to be intensive if it is to work," said Joe Scolnick, professor of political science.

Local Election Results

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Copy Editor

On Tuesday, November 2, 1999 Wise County and Norton City Residents went out to the polls and voted for candidates in various political offices. The offices up for election were the Senate, House of Delegates, Clerk of Court, Commonwealth Attorney, Sheriff's Office, Commissioner of Revenue, Treasurer, Board of Supervisors, and the School Board.

The unchallenged Senate winner for Wise County was William C. Wampler who was able to get 7,036 votes.

Terry Kilgore was the sole candidate for the House of

Delegates for District 1, and the total votes were 2,290.

The candidates for District 2 of the House of Delegates were Clarence E. Phillips and Erick A. Bowman. Phillips won the election by a landslide securing 4,924 total votes.

The Constitutional Offices of Wise County and Norton saw the incumbent Clerk of Court remain in office, and the former Commonwealth Attorney lose his office to a freshman attorney. Jay Jack Kennedy beat his opponent Danny Baker. Gregory Kallen lost to Joseph Carico.

The Sheriff's office was won overwhelmingly by Ronnie Oakes.

The candidate for Commis-

sioner of Revenue was Delmer Wilson, Jr., who pulled in 6,066 total votes without any competition. The Treasurer's office was swept by Rita T. Holbrook who pulled in 6,176 votes.

The Board of Supervisors was open for election in all 4 Districts and the winners were Edgar Mullins, 1,342 votes for the 1st District. Doug Stallard won the 2nd District with 1,692 votes. The 3rd District win went to Betty Cornett who managed to get 1,463 of the votes. The winner of the 4th District was Jeffrey Salyers (Board of Supervisors representative for UVAW).

(Data provided by Wise County and City of Norton.)

Identity Crisis Continues

Laura Lawson
Staff Writer

The University of Virginia's College at Wise is the new name but there is still an identity crisis.

Bell Atlantic, the telephone company is one example. Anyone who dials 411 information and asks for the UVA-Wise phone number will be given a Bristol, Virginia number or a local number for Virginia State University. College officials have been made aware of the situation and are working to correct it.

The telephone company is not the only one having problems with the new name. The University of Virginia at

Charlottesville had the same problem changing information on forms for the Minority Job Fair Day.

On October 25, 1999 several UVA-Wise students attended the job fair which was sponsored by the UVA. Students were asked to fill out a questionnaire using a number code listing colleges attending the fair. There was no option for UVA-Wise. Some students used the University of Virginia code. Others used the Clinch Valley College code.

When the UVA representatives were made aware of this problem, their only comment was, "Go ahead and use CVC's number, its the same thing."



Sports

Football



Style

"American
Beauty"

"Just because it's digital
doesn't mean it's true."

Stephen King
Journalist, 1996

A New Lake in McCraray Field

Staff Writer

UVA-Wise, September 2000: you leave McCraray Hall to visit a friend in Honors. Exiting through the front doors, you walk toward the McCraray field.

There is no street to cross, only paths, and as you enter the field you pass under a string of maple trees. Tempted by the serenity of the moment, you take a slight turn to the left and encounter a stone path, lined with more trees.

You stroll along, whistling, while frogs and fish splash around in the lake to your left; several students sit on the lake's stone border, studying and romancing. The stress of a term paper due leaves you in an instant as you partake in a tradition of 1999.

The construction of a new campus lake is one of the many campus improvement projects slated for completion within the next two years.

Why a lake? When plans were made for the new science hall, student center, and dormitory, the problem of a stormwater catch came up. Several alternatives were considered, including a dry pond, such as the one located opposite the football field, a lake, and underground tanks.

Eventually a lake was chosen for its simplicity and the inherent improvements it would bring to the campus. Two acres in surface area, the lake will be approximately eight feet deep, with a clay lining and a stone border to eliminate mud and help contain the

water. A walking path will circumscribe the lake, and a small platform of stone and earth will project into the lake; trees will decorate the entire thing.

To eliminate the reddish water currently in the stream that will eventually fill the lake, a secondary pond will be constructed, upstream to the east. A fountain will aerate the pond, letting the iron react and dissipate; cattails (naturally filtering plants) will also aid in the cleaning of the water.

Sim Ewing, Associate Vice Chancellor for Administration, coordinates all construction projects on campus. "Ten years from now..." he foretells, people will think of this lake as "the most dramatic enhancement to this campus in its history." He also sees the lake as a gathering place for students and perhaps a backdrop for graduation ceremonies and alumni weddings.

Four out of five students asked feel the lake's completion will signal the development of a new tradition. While the minority is concerned with drownings and floating beer cans, the majority feels students will grow to respect the lake, treating it as a treasure, something to feel proud of.

Said one sophomore, "it's going to be special, something all of us will share." Construction will commence shortly after the spring 2000 graduation, and the \$600,000 needed to complete the project comes to us directly from the Virginia General Assembly.

The new lake, for which no name has yet been chosen, will be complete by the fall semester of 2000.

Student Government Association Minutes

The following is a summary of the meeting of the Student Government Association held on November 1, 1999.

The Homecoming committee was under budget by \$67.68. The Senate voted the money made from alcohol sales will be donated to the Turkish relief foundation. The Art Guild was allocated funds for a cultural art and museum trip to Washington D.C. Alpha Delta Chi was allocated funds for a tailgate on November 6, 1999. Phi Beta Lambda requested more funds for their National Business Conference. Psi Chi Omega requested a reimbursement for their regional conference. A motion was passed for the finance committee will determine if Phi Beta Lambda gets more funds for their national conference as well as if Psi Chi Omega gets reimbursed.

The Highland Cavalier newspaper staff came forward to discuss problems with the newspaper and its publications. The senate made helpful suggestions such as: working with the communications department to get more writers, make the paper more student focused, and change the format of the paper. SGA will make a visit to Charlottesville on November 16, 1999 to UVA's Student Council meeting. Freddie Bradley will be the DJ for Holly Ball, to be held at the Wise Inn on December 4, 1999. Greek games have been postponed until the week of November 8-10. The following are the Library's extended hours before and during exams:

Saturday 11	11:00am-5:00pm
Sunday 12	1:30pm-11:00pm
Monday 13-Thursday 16	8:00am-11:00pm
Friday 17	8:00am-8:00pm
Saturday 18	8:00am-5:00pm

Turkish Republic Day Celebrated at UVA-Wise

Alban Karakartal
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Many independent nations have a day that is solely devoted for remembering and celebrating the efforts of those who have made many sacrifices on their part for achieving the freedom and the rights that are being enjoyed today. The dates may differ from one country to another, but the "meaning" of the day really matters. In the Republic of Turkey-where most of our international students come from-this day is celebrated as the "Turkish Republic Day of October the 29th".

On this day, 76 years ago, Turkey was officially declared an independent republic in which the supreme power can only be held by the people or their representatives, with Mustafa Kemal, later to be known as "Ataturk" (Father of the Turks) holding the office of the president until his death in 1938. The memory of this day is highly treasured among the Turks, since the possibility of creating a modern western-minded nation on both European and Asian grounds became stronger as the control

of the country was regained after the fall of the great Ottoman Empire. Turkey was then transformed into a young and modernized nation as Ataturk initiated several reforms that made the nation 'recognized' by the entire world as a secularist republic that shall always preserve its Turkish identity while maintaining a western-oriented mentality.

As some of us know, UVA-Wise established sister institution relations with the Istanbul University in 1998, and Dumlupinar University in 1999. Due to having important academic relations with our sister institutions, Prof. Joseph M. Scolnick, Professor of Political Science, and Robin Paul Benke, Director of Library Services, have generously devoted their personal efforts in celebrating the 76th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of Turkey on our campus. Through their cooperation, a special menu was prepared for Friday, Oct. 29, which consisted of several Turkish dishes such as tomatoes stuffed with meat, green beans and olive oil, eggplants

stuffed with rice, baked "borek", and rice pudding. Other aspects of this thoughtful gesture of UVAW involved the broadcasting of Turkish music in the cafeteria during the lunch hours, and the allocation of a section of the library's entrance for the presentation of Republic of Turkey via posters, brochures, and illustrative books.

Celebration of the Turkish Republic Day was not only confined to the activities mentioned above. Another event that was organized for this occasion was the conference held at the Chapel of All Faiths in the evening of Wednesday, Nov. the 3rd. Throughout the meeting, speeches were made by Chancellor L. Jay Lemmons and several other staff and faculty members, namely: Prof. Joseph Scolnick, Prof. Sami Feriel, Dr. Brent Kennedy, Prof. George Culbertson, and Prof. Mary O'Quinn.

Each speaker expressed their thoughts, and memories about Turkey, while informing the guests with the nation's historical background.



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Football team picks up crucial victory Men's Basketball opens season

Hilton Young
Sports Writer

The University of Virginia's College at Wise's football team came into Saturday's game in a must-win situation. On an overcast day, the Highland Cavaliers were to host NCAA Division I-AA Austin Peay State University's Governors.

Austin Peay had a huge offensive line that gave quarterback Brian Baker plenty of time to pass. As a result, the Governor's quarterback had forty completions on fifty-nine passes, completing 68% of his passes for 438 yards. With Tim Couch-like numbers like that, you'd think Austin Peay would have won, but the home team would win this shootout.

The Cavalier defense did prove to be stout against the run, allowing only seventy-four yards on thirty-one rushing attempts. Defense was also a crucial influence on the outcome of this game. The Highland Cavaliers had a pretty solid offensive showing against the Governors' defense, rushing for 138 yards on thirty-three carries, and passing for 238 yards on ten completions, with no turnovers. On the other side of the ball, Adam Parks scored on a twenty-five yard fumble return to give the offense some much-needed breathing room in late in the third quarter.

The Cavaliers started the scoring off in the first quarter with a thirteen-yard touchdown pass from QB Travis Turner to Receiver Thomas Wallace.

Austin Peay then played keep away and marched down the field to tie the game on a 1 yard run by RB Rory Gibbs. The Cavaliers struck next with a one-play, thirteen second drive on a 68 yard pass from Turner to receiver Jason Hiter. The Governors would make a concerted effort and score once more with forty-one seconds before halftime on a 27 yard pass from Baker to receiver David Sweetland. The Cavs blocked the extra point attempt twice to make the score 14-13. The kick was blocked once, but the play was overturned by a penalty, and the second attempt was also blocked.

In the second half, the scoring picked up. The Governors scored first on an eight-yard run by Gibbs, to take a 19-14 lead, after a failed two-point conversion attempt. With 3:45 left in the third, the Cavaliers answered, topping off a drive with a 1 yard touchdown plunge by Larry Oliver to make the score 21-19. A little under a minute later, Parks' score would give the Cavaliers a 28-19 lead. Austin Peay would not go away without a fight however. The Governors added a field goal with 12:32 left in the game to tighten the score at 28-22. Cavalier running back Greg Tester would provide some game winning dramatics however. He drove the final nail in the Governor's coffin by scoring on a 47 yard sprint to make the score 34-22 following a failed two point conversion with just four minutes and fifty-five seconds left in the game. The

Governors then went to their hurry up offense and scored an inconsequential touchdown, but the extra point was missed and the final score was 34-28.

The Cavaliers have finished their season and will now sit and wait to see how the final week's games will turn out, and if they will be invited to the playoffs. The Cavaliers were once again lead on the ground by Larry Oliver, who rushed for eighty-one yards on twenty attempts with one score. Travis Turner completed 10 out of 14 passes for the Cavs for 145 yards and two touchdowns. Brian Baker completed 40 of 59 passes for 438 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. The leading receiver for the Governors was Michael Farrell, who caught twelve passes for 187 yards and a touchdown. The Cavaliers' leading receiver was Jason Hiter, who caught two passes for 71 yards and one touchdown.

Saturday was also a big day for the other schools in Virginia as Virginia Tech got some help with a loss by Penn State to move to the #2 ranking in the nation. That marks the highest ranking VPI has ever had. The University of Virginia also had a big day, as the unrated Cavaliers upset the #7 Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets in Charlottesville. Thomas Jones, of Big Stone Gap Virginia joined the Heisman list by outshining the then front-running Georgia Tech quarterback Joe Hamilton. Jones rushed for 213 yards and two touchdowns on the day.

Cross-Country team competes in Regionals

Ruel Faruque
Staff Writer

Midway College, Versailles, Kentucky: the University of Virginia's College at Wise Cross-Country Team completed the final race of its season, the NAIA Region XII championships.

After a season plagued by injuries, the team finally pulled together for the big event. "It was a beautiful day," said Coach Jim Collie, "and a great way to end the season."

Nearly two hundred runners competed in the races. The women's race took off at 10:00. They wound their way through fields to finish by a barn — true Kentucky bluegrass style.

U-Southeast's Aimee Fleenor took first place in the women's three-mile race.

UVA-Wise's top finisher was Valerie Sutherland, with a time of 22:50, followed by Jaime Trent at 23:23. Other finishers were Katherine Franklin, Jennifer Moore, and Heather Williamson. The girls took fifth in the team competition.

In the men's race, freshman Brandon Myer led the Cavaliers with a time of 29:47 for the five-mile course; Michael Dillard rolled in at 32:24. UVA-Wise also finished Robby Mullins, Ruel Faruque, and Wayne Kelley.

Coach Jim Collie was "pleased with the personal bests achieved." Senior Robby Mullins said of

his last collegiate race, "I've been trying to get my time under 35," a goal he achieved. He also feels he has "reached the light at the end of the cross-country tunnel," and is happy to leave on a good note.

Valerie Sutherland, sophomore, had a good race. "I did better than I thought I would." Freshman Michael Dillard wishes the team had suffered from fewer injuries, but has "high hopes for next cross-country season."

Overall, the team feels good about its performance at Regionals, and looks forward to next season. Runner Jennifer Moore sums it up: "I'm really excited about next year!"

Hilton Young
Sports Writer

The University of Virginia's College at Wise's men's basketball team opened its season with a tough loss to Pikeville. In its first game without last year's leading scorer Nat "Doc" Law, the Cavaliers traveled to Pikeville, Kentucky to take on Pikeville College. Forward Mike Ratliff's twenty-one points paced the Cavaliers, who were picked to finish third in the conference behind Milligan College and Tennessee Wesleyan College, on fifty percent shooting. Zach Moore contributed seventeen points off the bench to give the Cavs a lift. Transfer forward Stacy Ervin scored the first thirteen points of his career, but has seven turnovers to two assists while playing thirty-nine minutes in the game. The team will get some added height when 6'6" Greg Papp joins the team after the football season, but it is unknown if he will have an impact in his first season against the tough TVAC (Tennessee

Virginia Athletic Conference).

The Cavalier's had a tough first half, scoring twenty-six points on thirty percent shooting, while Pikeville scored thirty-five points on fifty-six percent shooting on their way to posting an eight point halftime lead with the score being 34-26.

In the second half, the Cavaliers picked up the scoring and outscored Pikeville 35-31. Pikeville cooled off offensively, shooting only 5 percent in the half. When it was all said and done however, the basketball team just could not overcome the deficit and win the game, losing 65-61.

Pikeville had three players score double digits. Guard B.J. Ratliff scored 18 points to lead the team in scoring. Josh Walker scored 13 points off the bench, and center Craig Ratliff scored 11 points.

The Cavaliers will be on the road again Tuesday night to play Union College. The first home game will be next Tuesday against Bluefield at Greear Gymnasium.

Intramural Report

Hilton Young
Sports Writer

Mr. Ronnie Welch, director of student intramurals, says that this fall "participation has been good, and he would like to see it keep up." He encourages any student who is looking for something to do to stop by his office, located in the bottom floor of Cantrell Hall. If your schedule is busy, he can work with you to find an activity that to participate in. Ronnie can usually be found in his office between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

There are plenty of activities scheduled in the near future. Last Wednesday, Mike Minter and Ashley Mitchell won the intramural spades championship for the month. The previous month's champions were Damion Garrison and Hilton Young. A spades tournament is held every first Wednesday of the month in Cantrell Hall.

On November 3 there was an extramural basketball tournament held, which will pit the University of Virginia's College at Wise against Mountain Empire Community College. Sign-up for the event was limited to the first three teams to sign up. The

tournament will be held at Carnes Gymnasium in Big Stone Gap.

Also taking place during the week will be intramural soccer. The favorite for this event is Pi Lambda Phi, which went undefeated last year. Intramural soccer will conclude with its championship next Wednesday. Intramural volleyball also gets underway this week. Both events will be held in Greear Gymnasium, on campus.

In addition to those events there are two other events going on. Intramural fantasy football is only two weeks away from its playoffs. At press time, Ronnie Welch's team; the Godfathers, leads its Highland Division with a 6-2 record and 232 points total. The Cavalier Division has two teams tied for the lead. Cole Spencer and Jon Keen's Wolverine/Vols team has a 6-2 record with 257 points. Adam Parks's team, Parks' Department is 6-2 also, with 212 points.

Intramural fantasy basketball is also in action. At press time, Lance Bartholemew's Fighting Armadillos team is in first place with 94 points followed closely by Pat Meade's team, The Job Squad with 79 points.

Entertainment

Beauty is in the Eyes of the Beholder "Magic Man" Awes Audience

Angela Markham
Entertainment Editor

What is beautiful? What is normality? What do you do when you are stuck in a life you do not want? These are a few of the questions the recently released *American Beauty* dares to ask. If you are looking for happy, easy answers, be prepared for a dose of reality. *Beauty* sugar-coats nothing.

The story centers around the Burnham family composed of husband Lester (Kevin Spacey), wife Carolyn (Annette Bening) and their daughter, Jane (Thora Birch). Each member of the family puts on the illusion of being happy, while inwardly they long for change. Lester, a senior magazine writer on the verge of being fired, longs for the carefree days of his youth while lusting for his daughter's best friend, teen seductress Angela (Mena Suvari). Carolyn, a struggling real estate agent, yearns for love and success. Jane

just wants to be "cool".

As each character moves toward their vision of a beautiful life, the ramifications of their actions become more and more ugly. Carolyn enters into an affair with the "King of Real Estate" (Peter Gallagher, aged



Spacey and Birch offer a unique view of an American family.

twenty years), who happens to work for a rival firm. In an attempt to regain his youth Lester takes a job flipping fast food burgers and picks up a pot habit. His supplier, his new neighbor's son Ricky (Wes Bentley), begins an intimate relationship with Jane, which greatly alters her

world.

Ricky is another of the films' central characters. He is an amateur filmmaker who loves to film images of beauty, some of which are very unconventional. He also films his neighbors (the Burnhams), especially Jane, whose bedroom window is across from his. When Ricky's strict ex-Marine father gets hold of the tapes, the repercussions are brutal.

The film is rich with subtext and symbolism. The acting is superb. Spacey is brilliant as always, turning in a performance to rival his Academy Award-winning turn in *The Usual Suspects*.

Beauty hits the mark as a middle-aged woman in the depths of an identity crisis. In her first adult roll, Thora Birch is brilliant, holding her own in scenes against her powerhouse co-stars.

American Beauty is not a film for everyone. However, if you are looking for an intellectual movie that raises some tough questions, *Beauty* has no rival.

Nathan Clevinger
Entertainment Writer

Magician Tim Gabrielson, visited UVAW campus Monday, November 1. Calling himself the "Magic Man" and running onto the stage with lots of music, Gabrielson rose our expectations before his act even began.

The show opened quite simply with a few small slight of hand tricks. The best being a small trick with a \$20 dollar bill. Jonathan, the participant from the audience handed Gabrielson the bill, and Gabrielson then supposedly destroyed the bill. Could the magic of the "Magic Man" restore the bill?

No, the bill was burnt, and Gabrielson's magic failed him. He could not bring the bill back. To redeem himself he did another slight of hand trick with a girl from the audience, and took her watch and put it in a box. He offered it to Jonathan, but he declined.

Other tricks included card tricks, a few jokes, and lots of audience participation. He did

everything from eating cards to having an audience member magically throw a card into his pocket.

The first card trick was rather simple. It began with the participant from the audience simply picking a card. From there the magician shuffled the cards, read her mind, and then showed her the card!

The volunteer then assisted with the trick. She still remembered her card, and he let her shuffle the deck. The shuffle was not hard enough, though. The card only made it into his pants, not to his jacket pocket. He explained to her that she did not shuffle the cards hard enough. She tried again and shuffled the cards too hard. This time she sent the entire deck into his pocket, and only her card was left in his hand.

Gabrielson's performance was excellent. It left the audience awe struck. Though he didn't use lots of tricks with smoke and mirrors, he did use magic and comedy to keep the audience captivated.

Nothing to Lose With New Foo Album

Nathan Clevinger
Entertainment Writer

The Foo Fighters' third album, *There's Nothing Left To Lose*, hit the shelves on Tuesday, November 2. It is the follow up to their highly acclaimed *The Colour And The Shape*. There are eleven new songs, with the same Foo style. Old fans will see that nothing has changed. New fans will find something great here.

The first single "Learn To Fly" has been out for approximately four weeks. It opens with the line "Run and tell all of the angels. This could take all night." Vocalist/guitarist Dave Grohl begins the song about how he is looking to get things right.

Some of the other songs also reflect the old style of the Fighters.

"Gimme Stitches", is one of the angrier songs on the album. It says "Dress me up in stitches its now or never. Tired of wearing black and blue." This seems really angry, but the music puts some doubt into this theory. It is in the customary style of this album.

"Next Year" is one of the best and most mellow songs on the album. It almost brings back

memories of "Up In Arms", from the last album. The nice mellow acoustics with a slight distortion during the chorus makes this a really a great song.

Breakout, is another notable song. "You make me dizzy runnin' circles in my head. One of these days I'll run you down," are the opening lines of this song. It gives the listener the feeling of the happy style of late 60's.

"Generator", the next notable track is nothing like any other Foo Fighters song. It uses a talk box effect at the beginning of the song to give it a unique twist. The song has happier beats, with good catchy lyrics.

The most soulful song on the album, taking the place of "See You" from *The Colour and The Shape* is, "Ain't It The Life".

The song starts with soft acoustical rhythms that continue throughout. It is the kind of song that will let you just wind down.

This is the best album released by Foo Fighters to date. Topping the outstanding *The Colour And The Shape* and the first self titled album. I would strongly recommend this album to any Foo Fighters fan, or any Nirvana fan interested in former drummer Dave Grohl.

Pot of Gold at the End of Carey's Rainbow

Damion Garrison
Copy Editor

For the last 10 years Mariah Carey has astounded audiences with her exceptional vocal and song writing abilities. Carey's musical talents have managed to produce nine multi-platinum albums, the latest being the newly released *Rainbow*.

Rainbow contains 11 new songs, 10 of which were written exclusively by Carey for this album.

Carey collaborates with a multitude of artists on *Rainbow*, all whom contribute their very own music styles which help to propel *Rainbow* beyond Carey's traditional pop music crowd. Jay-Z, Snoop Dogg, Usher, 98 Degrees, Missy Elliot and Da Brat are among the numerous artists who accompany Carey with vocals on the new album.

The first single and release off *Rainbow* is the hip-hop inspired "Heartbreaker". Released in the earlier part of the season, "Heartbreaker's" single, remix, and video introduced fans to a new Mariah. The "good girl" image that Carey sought to shed on her *Butterfly* album was gone, and what audiences saw was a

sexy and independent diva. The original single for *Heartbreaker* contains classic hip hop samples, a dance-hall beat, and the rap stylings of Jay-Z.

The remix for "Heartbreaker" takes a "girl power" stance as Jay-Z exits, and Missy Elliot and Da Brat fill in with new lyrics



and phat beats provided courtesy of D.J. Clue.

Rainbow's next single "Can't Take That Away", subtitled "Mariah's Theme", takes Carey back to her traditional love ballad days. This song allows Carey to let her voice reach its highest potential, and as usual the listener comes away mesmerized by her amazing voice.

"Bliss", one of the most noteworthy songs on the album, has Carey hitting vocal notes comparable only to those of opera singers. She combines her traditional slow ballad melody with strong bass lines and the result is nonetheless her next #1 hit.

Carey covers Phil Collins' "Against All Odds (Take a Look at Me Now)" and the result is a slow-tempo, piano ballad which gives Collins' original a run for the money.

On, "Thank God I Found You," Carey is joined by 98 Degrees and R&B singer Joe for a soulful collaboration reminiscent of her other #1 hit, "One Sweet Day" with Boyz II Men. Carey and Joe provide the lead vocals as 98 Degrees provides harmonious background vocals, that all in all come together to form a beautiful and soulful song.

Despite the fact that *Rainbow* is a retreat by Mariah Carey from her usual adult-contemporary music territory, *Rainbow* still manages to leave listeners satisfied. *Rainbow* will definitely shine over into the new millennium providing Carey with countless more #1 hits.

My Grade: A