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## Coal co. owner's wife, children threatened by locals following fatal accident in Aug.

Melissa Wharton says that the threats began soon after an A & G-related accident that resulted in the death of a three-year-old boy

By Daniel Stanley  
Staff Writer

The wife of the owner of A & G Coal Corp. says that she and her children have recently faced verbal assaults and threats from local citizens angry over an accident caused by A & G that resulted in the death of a three-year-old boy in the Inman coal camp near Appalachia.

A & G owner Jerry Wharton's wife, Melissa Wharton, said that the threats began soon after the accident occurred.

"I don't feel safe outside my home," Melissa said. "My kids and I don't leave the house after dark."

The fatal accident occurred on Aug. 20, when a boulder weighing approximately 1,000 pounds on or near A & G's strip mining site rolled and crashed into the bedroom of three-year-old Jeremy Davidson, who was asleep in his home near the strip job.

Since the accident, a number of people who protest both the coal company's op-

erations and strip mining in general have spoken up, explaining that coal companies destroy the land and rip away the natural resources, only to leave the area decimated after all the coal has been found. They also argue that lives are needlessly endangered.

Wise County Sheriff Ronnie Oakes, however, says that the accident was just that: an accident for which no single person or organization should have to accept sole responsibility.

"Accidents do hap-

pen, and when they do, people want someone to be held accountable," Oakes said. "But sometimes no one can be accountable for an accident."

According to the Coalfield Progress, A & G is currently facing accusations made by the Virginia Department of Mine, Minerals and Energy (DMME) that the coal company had operated with "gross negligence," resulting in Davidson's death.

Currently, there are strict guidelines for how strip mining sites are to be replen-

ished and how these operations are to be operated in terms of safety for not only the miners but also the surrounding areas. The DMME, however, claims that A & G did not meet all of these guidelines.

A & G officials are sorry that the accident occurred, but they are questioning the DMME's accusations.

In relation to UVA-Wise, Jerry and Melissa Wharton established the Appalachian Children's Theater in 1999, whose productions

involve students from both UVA-Wise and local public schools. Since its introduction, the theater has involved 25,000 children from southwest Virginia, eastern Kentucky and northeast Tennessee. The theater, under the direction of Washington, D.C. theatre professional Jill Fields, has produced shows for and starring primary school students and older children from the College's surrounding region.

(Additional reporting by Roger Hagy, Jr.)

## Porno pop-ups disrupt classes

By Amber Copley  
Staff Writer

Recently the College has faced the obstacle of unwanted pornographic interruptions in the form of pop-ups when students and faculty surf the Internet, some of which are occurring during classes and student presentations. One instance occurred in Smiddy Hall during a class when a pop-up advertisement for an adult website appeared on the projection screen. Many students were offended, while some were neutral about the situation.

"It definitely set a lighter mood for the rest of class," said student Aaron Roop.

The Technology Support Services of the College have now performed updates on the classroom computers, in hopes that the problem will be solved. They have worked on over 15 classroom computers at UVA-Wise thus far in an attempt to remedy the problem.

# Bush will be back



PHOTO BY PAUL CONNORS, AP

## Pres. George W. Bush elected to second term

By Roger Hagy, Jr.  
Editor-in-Chief

After two expensive and hard-hitting campaigns from both incumbent Republican George W. Bush and Democrat challenger John Kerry, President Bush was re-elected to his office in the White House on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004.

During the early morning hours after midnight on Wednesday, Ohio became the integral state that would ultimately decide whether Bush or Kerry would win. Bush was always shown in the lead in Ohio, but due to the small difference in votes and the large amount of provisional ballots left to count, many were unsure if Kerry could bypass Bush to take the state and the presidency.

Kerry, however, conceded Ohio and the presidency during a phone call to Bush at around 11 a.m. on Wednesday, ending the election far sooner than the presidential election ordeal in 2000, when Florida vote recounts kept the nation from knowing whether Bush or Democrat Al Gore would be the new president. Bush ultimately received the most electoral votes in 2000, despite the fact that Gore won the popular vote.

Unlike that election, however, the 2004 election saw Bush winning not only the Electoral College but also the popular vote by more than 3,000,000 votes, despite his approval rating of less than 50% going into the election.

The electoral count as of Wednesday afternoon was 274 votes for Bush and 252 for Kerry, with Iowa (7) and New Mexico (5) too close to call. Because a total of 270 votes are required for the presidency, Iowa and New Mexico's combined total of 12 votes would still not put Kerry ahead of Bush even if Kerry were to win them.

With the President's re-election, the Republican party came away from Election Day with a major victory over the Democratic party, as the GOP also increased their majority in the Senate, to which Kerry, a Massachusetts senator, will now return.

[SOURCE: AP]

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Grammar workshops open to all students. Professor Diane Silver is offering free grammar and mechanics workshops on Tuesday and Thursday of each week.

11/9 & 11/11: Sentence structure errors (comma splices, run-on sentences, fragments)

11/16 & 11/18: Agreement problems (subject/verb & pronoun/antecedent)

Workshops begin at 5 p.m. in Zehmer 212 and last approx. 30 minutes. No assignments will be given. Students should bring materials for taking notes. For more info, contact Diane Silver in Zehmer 129, ext. 4588.

Pro-Art presents "The Golden Polyphemus" Friday, Nov. 5 Chapel @ 7:30 p.m.

Super Raffle Saturday, Nov. 6 Alumni Awards & Athletic Hall of Fame inductions

8<sup>th</sup> Annual UVA-Wise Flag Football Scramble Sunday, Nov. 7

Intramural Volleyball Monday, Nov. 8 Tuesday, Nov. 9 Wednesday, Nov. 10 Thursday, Nov. 11 Sunday, Nov. 14 Monday, Nov. 15 Tuesday, Nov. 16 Wednesday, Nov. 17 Thursday, Nov. 18

Artcarved class rings on campus Nov. 9 & 10

Comedian Dominic Dierkes Thursday, Nov. 11 Student Center @ 8 p.m.

BSU Coffee House Friday, Nov. 12 BSU @ 7 p.m.

Sigma Zeta math competition Saturday, Nov. 13 Science Center

Lost Sea Caving Adventure Saturday, Nov. 13 Sweetwater, Tenn.

Intramural Rook Tourney Saturday, Nov. 13 Student Center @ 8 p.m.

Résumé workshop Tuesday, Nov. 16

Great American Smoke-out Tuesday, Nov. 16

Intramural Racquetball Singles Tournament Tuesday, Nov. 16 Student Center @ 7 p.m.

Airbrushed tattoos Wednesday, Nov. 17 Student Center 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Strategies for job interviews Thursday, Nov. 18

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Author Sheri Reynolds will present her works on Nov. 12 at Coffee Night in the Chapel.

Reynolds to present works at fall Coffee Night on Nov. 12

By Rubrey Bowling Assistant Editor

Coffee Night, a night celebrating the literary/entertainment works of UVA-Wise students and faculty, will be held on Thursday, Nov. 11, at 6:30 p.m. Those attending will hear Professor Sheri Reynolds, the Ruth and Perry Morgan Chair of Southern Literature of Old Dominion University, speak as Coffee Night's featured author. Professor Reynolds will also be visiting morning classes on the following day, Friday, Nov. 12, before giving a lecture at 1 p.m. Both Coffee Night and the lecture will be

held at the Chapel and are open to the public.

Professor Reynolds is an internationally accomplished author of Southern fiction, with religion being the center of her works. Her three published novels are 1994's *Bitterroot Landing*, 1996's *The Rapture of Canaan*, and 1997's *A Gracious Plenty*. *The Rapture of Canaan* is an Oprah Book Club selection as well as a number-one *New York Times* bestseller.

"Mrs. Reynolds's poetic gifts are uncommonly powerful," writes the *New York Times Book Review*.

Professor Reynolds

has currently finished her first play, *Orabelle's Wheelbarrow*, and is working on her fourth novel, entitled *The Firefly Cloak*.

For more information about Coffee Night, contact Professor Gillian Huang-Tiller by phone at 376-4552 or by e-mail at gch7u@uvawise.edu.

For more information regarding Professor Sheri Reynolds and her visit to UVA-Wise, contact Coordinator for Academic Events Diane Cornett at 328-0285 or Director of College Relations Jane Meade-Dean at 328-0130.

College's Wetlands Legacy Park to be completed this month

By Christine Otu and Megan Short Staff Writers

After 50 years, the UVA-Wise campus continues to grow in many ways, which can be seen by the several construction projects underway throughout the campus.

Simon Ewing, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Government Relations, says that there are four projects currently under construction.

One major project is called the Wetlands Legacy Park project, designed to help

treat acid mine damage. There will be a series of ponds made between Martha Randolph Hall and the Chancellor's House which will attempt to filter out the high abundance of iron contaminating that area on campus. Planting vegetation and a no-chemicals policy will be used in order to filter out the iron.

The College is now one step closer to completing the project, as 26,990 wetlands plants were planted in the park with the assistance

of volunteers on Oct. 26 and 27.

The Wetlands Legacy Park will also be used as a field lab for students.

"The benefits are enormous," said Dr. Aaron W. Johnson, a professor of environmental science and geology. "It will provide an area for the College to use in helping to teach science students. The park will reflect what a natural wetlands would have looked like in this area."

A pathway will lead

from Martha Randolph Hall through the Wetlands Legacy Park, and there will be planting markers describing how each pond is being filtered. Ewing wants students and faculty to be able to conduct water sampling for science, so there will be stepping stones for students and faculty to take water samples without actually having to step into the ponds. The Wetlands Legacy Park project is scheduled to be finished this month.

UVA-Wise hired Quesenberry's Construction to help with the projects and, depending upon the weather, all of these projects should be finished by their scheduled completion dates.

Ewing said that he hopes that these projects will be helpful in making the College better for years to come.

Spring honors classes cover Redeemer Figure, public perception of news

By C. Cole Osborne Staff Writer

The Peake Honors Program has announced its two new honors courses to be taught in the spring. "Redeemer Figure in Film and Literature" will be taught on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2 p.m. until 3:15 p.m., and "Newsreal" will be taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 p.m. until 1:45 p.m.

"Redeemer Figure in Film and Literature" will be taught by Dr. Roman Zylawy and is cross-listed as Honors 396, Humanities 395 and English 494. According to Dr. Zylawy, the course will be writing-intensive and "will fo-

cus on humanity's universal thirst for meaning and the purpose of life" as a function of redemption.

"Newsreal" will be taught by Michael McNulty and is cross-listed as Honors 395, Theater 395 and Communication 396a. The class will focus on how television media shapes the public's perception of the news.

The Peake Honors Program welcomes sophomores and juniors who have a 3.0 cumulative GPA. Contact Dr. Dana Sample in the Department of History and Philosophy for more information concerning the program and what is required to graduate with College Honors.

Fall fashion sense: Tweed blazers, low-rise jeans for women; vertical stripes, colored tees for men

By Breanne Dotson Campus Life Editor

It's time to put away the trendy summer clothes and start making statements with a new fall look, compliments of Old Navy. Women, start making your statement with a great tweed blazer, add some spice with a flower pin, and underneath show off a cool silk cameo to start that perfect outfit for a night on the town or just to impress that special someone in one of your classes. To complete the outfit, add a great pair of Old Navy's stretch, low-rise jeans, and of course, a nice pair of stiletto heels to complete the perfect look for you. Ladies, do not forget one of the most important parts of your fall display: your accessories. Finish your

look with a handbag sure to show off your trendy style, and some nice jewelry to exemplify your fashionable style.

Men, it is time for you to make your statement on the fashion world, as well. Pull out your favorite jeans and add a striped button-up shirt to begin your fall fashion look. Add a colored tee underneath to pull of the layered look and add some stylish shoes to finish off the look. For men, the layered look and v-neck sweaters are all the rage for fall.

Ladies and gentlemen get ready, get set, and go to Old Navy for your fall fashion needs. For more information, these looks can also be found at [www.Oldnavy.com](http://www.Oldnavy.com).

WWII veterans join students on educational trip to Europe

By Danielle Benton Staff Writer

The 2004 fall break of UVA-Wise proved to be an interesting experience for 43 members of the College and its surrounding community, including students, faculty, citizens of Wise and nearby areas and two World War II (WWII) veterans.

The group's leader, Dr. Dana Sample, planned the tour of Normandy and Paris with EF Educational Tours, basing the itinerary on a trip to Normandy she had taken four years earlier.

The trip was highlighted by the historically significant sites of D-Day and sites related to William the Conqueror.

"I believe all Americans should walk on the D-Day beaches because it is inspirational," Dr. Sample said. "I just wanted to share the experience with others."

The diversity of the tour group contributed to the success of the trip.

"If we had just gone over with a bunch of students, I don't think we would have been as involved," said sopho-

more David Kleineick. Part of that diversity was due to the World War II veterans in the tour group, Steve Salley and Ubert McConnell, who shared with the group their many memories of D-Day, thus bringing history to life.

The group visited the American D-Day beaches, Omaha and Utah, as well as the Omaha Beach Memorial for the fallen American soldiers of World War II. The D-Day Museum in Caen was not left out of the agenda either.

The group also visited St. Mere Eglise, the little town in Normandy that was liberated by the United States paratroopers.

An unexpected boat ride allowed for the Allied point of view of Point Du Hoc from the English Channel, where the 43 tourists were able to see the Ranger Memorial located at the top of the cliffs.

The group also visited Bayeux, the first city liberated in France in WWII, where the group viewed the Bayeux Tapestry, which illustrates William the Conqueror's ac-

quisition of the throne of England.

When the 43 tourists reached Paris, they visited the Cathedral of Notre Dame, the Louvre (home of Da Vinci's "Mona Lisa"), Versailles and, of course, the Eiffel Tower.

Dr. Sample and Dean of Academics Amelia Harris are already planning another educational tour to Europe for next year's fall break. Greece, however, will be the destination for the next trip. Further information will become available as the year progresses.

OVER THE HORIZON

COMING TO THEATERS

Friday, Nov. 5

**Affe**  
Comedy starring Jude Law. Rated R for sexual content, and some language and drug use.

**The Incredibles**  
Animated comedy featuring the voices of Craig T. Nelson and Holly Hunter. Rated PG for action violence.

Wednesday, Nov. 10

**The Polar Express**  
Animated adventure featuring the voice of Tom Hanks. Rated G.

Friday, Nov. 12

**After the Sunset**  
Crime/gangster film starring Pierce Brosnan. Rated PG-13 for sexually, violence and language.

COMING SOON TO DVD

Friday, Nov. 5

**Shrek 2**  
Animated comedy featuring the voices of Mike Myers and Eddie Murphy. Rated PG for some crude humor, a brief substance reference and some suggestive content.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

**The Blind Swordsman: Zatoichi**  
An action/adventure film set in nineteenth century Japan. Rated R for strong stylized, bloody violence.

**The Stafford Wives**  
Comedy thriller starring Nicole Kidman. Rated PG-13 for sexual content, thematic material and language.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

**EN**  
Christmas comedy starring Will Ferrell. Rated PG for some mild drug humor and language.

**The Chronicles of Riddick**  
Action film starring Vin Diesel. Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violent action and some language.

**The Iron Giant**  
Special Edition  
Animated adventure featuring the voices of Jennifer Aniston and Vin Diesel. Rated PG for fantasy action and mild language.

COMING SOON IN GAMES

Tuesday, Nov. 9

**Karaoke Revolution**  
Console: Xbox  
Genre: Music  
E for Everyone

**Mario Power Tennis**  
Console: GC  
Genre: Sports  
E for Everyone

Tuesday, Nov. 18

**Baten Kaitos: Eternal Wings and the Lost Ocean**  
Console: GC  
Genre: RPG  
RP for Rating Pending

**Capcom Fighting Evolution**  
Console: PS2  
Genre: Fighting  
T for Teen

**Crash 'N' Burn**  
Console: PS2, Xbox  
Genre: Driving  
T for Teen

Tuning in

Which digital music player sounds great, looks stylish and fits into your budget?

By Roger Nagy, Jr., Rubrey Bowling and Audra Bowling Editors

Now that students have finally received their refund checks from the cashier's office and the Christmas holiday is quickly approaching, students might want to consider purchasing a digital music player (or MP3 player) as a way to splurge that refund check on themselves or as a very special gift for someone this Christmas. Digital music players are devices that allow you to store some or even all of your favorite songs that are saved on your computer, allowing you to take your music with you anywhere you go, often eliminating the need for CDs.

Fortunately for students, digital music players come in an enormous variety of shapes, sizes, and prices, and there are players that can fit into any budget. Unfortunately, the market has grown so rapidly that there are perhaps too many players to choose from.

Perhaps the most important thing to keep in mind when choosing a player that's right for you is compatibility. All players accept MP3 files, but if you use an online music store to download your music, then you must choose a player compatible with that store's protected file types. For example, if you purchase most of your online music from Apple's iTunes service, then you will only be able to play those songs on one of Apple's players in the iPod line of products. Otherwise, you can shop at other online music stores like Napster 2.0, Musicmatch, Wal-Mart or MSN Music and upload your songs to most digital music players that support Windows Media Audio (WMA) files, the main exception being Apple's iPod players.

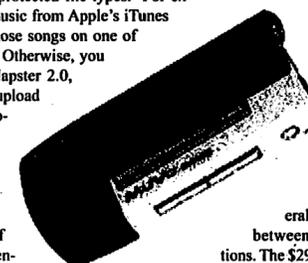
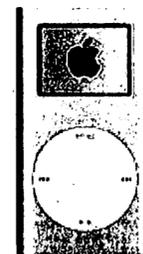
Of course, price is a big deal, too, and so we've chosen four players recommended by CNet.com, each of which falls into one of three price ranges, from the functionally inexpensive to the extravagantly expensive.

**Budget-friendly**  
(Under \$100)

The least expensive player on our list is the 64-MB Creative Nomad MuVo (above), which retails for about \$58. The MuVo supports MP3 and WMA and has simple, easy-to-use controls. The downside is that the player lacks a display and does not allow for expansion beyond its included 64 MB. Regardless, if you want a simple, functional and inexpensive digital music player, the MuVo comes with a solid recommendation.

**Movin' on up**  
(Under \$200)

The iRiver iFP-890 (left) is a good recommendation if you want something a little nicer and a little "roomier" than the budget-



friendly players, and if you're willing to spend a little extra to do so. This recently released player is sleek and stylish, featuring 256 MB of storage and an amazing 40 hours of battery life. The player includes a radio and supports MP3, OGG and ASF songs, as well as protected WMA songs. The iFP-890's biggest downside is that the buttons on the player and the software included to upload songs to the player are both poorly designed. You can expect this iRiver player to cost around \$150.

**Maxing out the credit limit**  
(Over \$200)

For those of you willing to max out your credit limit (or for those rare few who have cash to blow), the industry-leading, user-friendly Apple iPod lineup is just for you. All iPods support MP3 and AAC files, and an iPod is the only type of player able to play music downloaded from Apple's iTunes. Also, if you want the most options for digital player accessories (including a crucial carrying case), no player is better than an iPod.

The least expensive iPod you'll find is the über-stylish, über-small Apple iPod Mini (top center), perfect for students constantly on the go or who love working out in the fitness center. Featuring a very comfortable 4 GB of storage, the iPod Mini costs \$249 and comes in a nice assortment of colors.

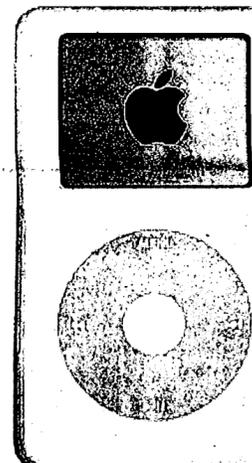
A step up from the Mini, the 4th-generation Apple iPod (below, with the same "click wheel" as the Mini), is larger than its little cousin but still fea-

tures

style and a literal ton of storage between its two iterations. The \$299 iPod features a whopping 20 GB of storage, whereas the \$399 iPod features an unbelievable 40 GB of storage, more storage than the hard drives in many budget-priced computers. The new iPod features a better battery life than previous incarnations but lacks a radio.

Finally, if you do decide upon an iPod, then also plan to get an FM transmitter, which allows you to listen to your iPod music while driving in your car. The best transmitter is Griffin's iTrip, which features crisp sound and ease of use.

(Images of digital music players by Yahoo!)



Ralph Stanley Museum opens in Clintwood

By Billy Van Hoorebeke Staff Writer

On Oct. 16, the Ralph Stanley Museum was opened to the public in Clintwood, and Stanley commemorated its opening by performing at the museum.

Stanley, who lives in

the Sandy Ridge community of Coeburn, has won multiple Grammy awards for his bluegrass music and also wrote the song "O Death" for the movie soundtrack to *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*

The museum is dedicated to Stanley's life and all

of his achievements of bringing bluegrass mountain music to the forefront of the entertainment media.

"It's the first project of this kind for this area and we're hoping that it will draw more tourism and economy here," said Christine Branham, a desk

clerk at the museum. "It was a joint effort by several different agencies coming together to do it."

Branham also said that she hopes that this will reintroduce the area to traditional mountain music.

"It's a unique place

that celebrates the life of Dr. Stanley and preserves the traditional music culture of the region," said Museum Coordinator Ginger Morlock.

Clintwood Mayor Donald Baker added that the museum's opening is "one of the best things to happen here."

Young comedian to perform

By Michelle Prater Staff Writer

Dominic Dierkes will be the next big act that the Student Activities Board (SAB) will bring to the campus of UVA-Wise. He will perform on the fifth floor of the Slemp Student Center on Nov. 11 at 8 p.m.

Dierkes, a college student, is the youngest comedian that will be brought to the campus this year.

Dierkes landed his first gig in comedy at the age of 16 and, 5 years later, he is still going strong. He has performed his stand-up routine from coast to coast.

The SAB travels to a

conference every spring to pick out new talent. This past spring, SAB Vice President Bridgett McGraw attended the 2004 conference, where she discovered Dierkes.

"He was fun, fantastic, and full of life," McGraw said. "What more could you ask for?"

It also seems as if Dierkes can easily use his age to an advantage with a college crowd. More and more colleges are requesting that he perform at their schools.

Dierkes was also profiled in a recent issue of *Campus Activities Magazine* as a great deal to bring to any university or college.

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## GAME SCHEDULE

## FOOTBALL

Sat., Nov. 6  
Home vs. Cumberland (Ky.)  
5 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 13  
at Bethel (Tenn.) College  
1:30 p.m.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Sat., Nov. 6  
Home vs. Berea College  
2 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 9  
at Kentucky Christian  
5:30 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 13 &  
Sun., Nov. 14  
Berea Classic Tournament  
Sat., 7 p.m.  
Sun., 1 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 16  
at Montreat College  
5:30 p.m.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

Fri., Nov. 5 &  
Sat., Nov. 6  
King College Tournament  
Fri., 5:30 p.m.  
Sat., TBA

Tues., Nov. 9  
at Pikeville College  
7:30 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 12 &  
Sat., Nov. 13  
Rio Grande Tournament  
Fri., TBA  
Sat., TBA

Tues., Nov. 16  
at Montreat College  
7:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL  
Thurs., Nov. 11,  
Fri., Nov. 12 &  
Sat., Nov. 13  
Appalachian Athletic  
Conference Tournament  
Thurs., TBA  
Fri., TBA  
Sat., TBA

## Softball field nearly completed



PHOTO BY ROGER HAGY, JR.

The Cavs softball team's new field is nearly completed in its position on the hill next to the gym parking lot and across the street from the tennis courts. The field will be accompanied by new parking spaces.

## Cavs volleyball making late-season push for AAC

By Diana Sluss  
Staff Writer

"Dig deep and kick the booty" is a motto that the Lady Cavalier volleyball team has used to get energized for their games this season. The Lady Cavs have had an impressive season. They are currently 17-3 overall, and 16-3 in the Appalachia Athletic Conference.

Sports Information Director Chad Osbourne explained that the girls were playing well and some have been recognized for their talents. Senior Kari Sparks has been Player of the Week in the conference four times, Player of the Week in Region XII three times and Player of the Week for the Libero position. Senior Kendall Rainey has also been Player of the Week in the conference four times. The Lady Cavs were

riding a 15-match winning streak that was snapped with a loss to Brevard College on Tuesday, Oct. 26.

"We still have hopes for conference," said Jessica Cain, a four-year veteran volleyball player.

Currently, the Lady Cavs are tied with Brevard College, King College and Montreat College for the AAC Conference lead.

"We've had an amazing season; it's like nothing before," Cain said. "One thing that I will always remember from my experience with volleyball was our win over King College. That was incredible because we had never defeated King College in the four years that I have been playing volleyball."

The Conference Tournament will begin on Nov. 11 and last until Nov. 13.

## Cavs football loses 5th straight game

By Daniel Leehy  
Sports Editor

UVa-Wise played host to the Pikeville College Bears on Saturday, Oct. 23, and the Cavaliers once again fell to their opponents.

Larry Smith scored for the Cavaliers early in the first quarter with a 5-yard touchdown run, but the extra point was missed. The Cavs increased their lead to 12-0 after a Blake Owens 2-yard rushing touchdown and a failed two-point conversion.

The Bears finished off the first half with Leonard Moore's touchdown run of one yard. Moore

finished the day with 93 yards and 4 touchdowns. After Moore scored midway through the third quarter, the Cavs answered with another rushing touchdown from Larry Smith to make the score 19-14 in favor of UVa-Wise. Larry Smith, who finished the game with 135 yards and two touchdowns, was nominated for the Mid-South Conference Offensive Player of the Week.

In the fourth quarter, UVa-Wise punted twice, had two turnovers and were held scoreless as Pikeville scored two touchdowns, courtesy of running-back Leonard Moore. The Cavs lost to Pikeville

with a final score of 29-19. The team was hurt in the game by two interceptions, 1 fumble, 1 missed extra point, 1 failed 2-point conversion and going 0-4 on fourth-down conversions.

Blake Owens led the Cavs' receivers with 61 yards. Jack Haddix and Dieontea Stewart each had 3 catches. Quarterback Josh Mabe finished the game with 143 yards passing, 0 TD and 2 interceptions. On defense, Cory Wheeler and Brian Atkins each had 14 tackles and a sack. Ben Robertson had 13 tackles, and Josh Hamm finished with 12 tackles and a sack.



PHOTO BY DANIEL LEEHY

Cavs football player Jack Haddix practices before a home football game.

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