Increase in gas prices affecting commuters

By Conchetta Peters
Staff Writer

Current rises in gas prices have U.Va-Wise commuters speaking up. Many students have expressed their concerns about the gas price increase and the affects it has had on both their wallets and daily routines. Some students have even expressed ideas about what could help and about actions taken at other local colleges such as Mountain Empire Community College (MECC).

After Hurricane Katrina and Rita, gas prices rose from $2.59 to $2.99 in a matter of days. Students rushed to gas stations in order to fill their tanks in fear that the price of gas would go even higher. Currently, gas prices are still higher than average and students are feeling the affects even a month after Katrina made landfall.

UVa-Wise senior Doug Fleming drives from Chilwood three times a week. He estimates that he is spending $18 a day, $54 a week, and $216 a month on driving to school alone. "I'm buying a new car, a more economical one that is better on gas," Fleming said, "I drive a Mustang GT and a Jeep Wrangler so they eat up the gas. Maybe this way I will come out better in the long run."

Senior Rhiannon Penley, a Theatre/Education major, drives approximately 18 miles from Big Stone Gap on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. "Gas prices have really hurt my wallet," said Penley, who has a five hour break between her day and night classes and finds herself making the commute twice daily.

Student Chris Russell is also a commuter from Big Stone. He too expresses financial distress now that gas prices have spiked. "I believe most professors should allow some of the students to do at least one class a week on the net," said Russell, who also mentioned that some professors at MECC are canceling their Friday classes to try to help students out.

Sociology major Melisha Alsup, a 26 year-old resident of Lee County drives approximately 100 miles a day to get to College, spending $13.50 on gas three times a week. "It's a have-to situation: I have to go to college," explained Alsup, who took out extra student loans this year that have helped pay some of her gas expenses.

Even students who live on or near the campus feel troubled by the increases in gas prices. "I want to go home, but I can't afford to," said Communication major Michelle Brady, a resident of Richmond. "I carpool with my sister to help with gas prices," explained Communications major Victoria Meeks from Coeburn. Other students can see a silver lining to the gas price dilemma: "I console myself with the fact that less driving helps the environment," said senior Justin Brown.

Driving to college is unavoidable for most commuters attending U.Va-Wise. However, there are some helpful tips that might lessen the expense of commuting that can be found on the Columbia Star's online newspaper at http://www.thecolumbiastar.com/news/2005/0930/Business/055.html. More information about car maintenance can be found on the Car Care Council website at http://www.carcare.org. Want some more advice? Walk, rollerblade, or ride a bike when you can. This not only saves gas and money, but it promotes a healthy lifestyle and environment.
Editorial: how does price work?

By Zach Welch

Guest Writer

Although prices are putting the heat on college students, sometimes they're also not a matter of price. As far as a phenomenon, prices are set on the market and we as consumers are left to decide whether or not to purchase. The beauty of price is its ability to be so unpredictable and yet so predictable. It is natural to see how much something costs and how it compares to other items. The beauty of price is its ability to be so unpredictable and yet so predictable. It is natural to see how much something costs and how it compares to other items.

Sarah Lawless and Joon Seok

The emerging phenomenon of the Internet and the online service for students called UVa-Wise, has allowed students to find new ways to connect and interact with each other. Not only can you search for classmates, but you can also search for students from other colleges across the nation and add them as your friends. Anyone who has an E-mail address can sign up, including faculty and staff.

Price differs from similar Internet services (e.g. MySpace.com) by allowing you to make your own profile and friend finders. Just because you can make your own profile doesn't mean you are automatically linked to the Facebook. It is not the Facebook but also unique because of its “polar” feature. Not only do you choose this feature, it is the creator of the website (as is stated in the FAQ).

You can choose your favorite movies, books and quotes on Facebook as well as take a peak at the relationship status and the college that most students are at. Another interesting feature allows students to use their name and address. You can also upload and search for students or other colleges across the nation and add them as your friends. Anyone who has an e-mail address can sign up, including faculty and staff.

Facebook allows you to create a profile, but it is not necessary to use the online service for students called UVa-Wise. To sign up, go to www.facebook.com and type in your name and e-mail address. Facebook is an easy way to stay in touch with friends and family. Facebook is an easy way to stay in touch with friends and family.

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UVa-Wise 2005 graduate

One Piece is a popular anime that is currently being shown on Cartoon Network’s Tournament schedule on October 28-31. The story focuses on an eccentric and simple-minded boy named Monkey D. Luffy, who wishes to become King of the Pirates. As a child, Luffy ended up in a Legendary Fruit that turned his body into rubber, making him super-stretchy. Unfortunately, his face doesn't match his body build, so he is easily recognizable. The Legend of Zorro

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Cavs football wins on the road

By Daniel Leedy
Sports Editor

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The Highland Cavaliers managed to go on the road and come away with a tough win, evening their record to 4-4 and 1-1 in the Mid South Conference. The Cavaliers play next on Saturday, Oct. 29, at homely Carl Smith Stadium against The University of the Cumberlands at 5 p.m.

2005 Major League Baseball Playoffs

Division Series (best of five):
National League
Atlanta Braves (NL East Champs) vs. Houston Astros (NL Wild Card)
New York Yankees (NL East Champs) vs. St. Louis Cardinals (NL Central Champions) vs. San Diego Padres (NL West Champs)
St. Louis wins series 3-0
American League
Chicago White Sox (AL Central Champs) vs. Boston Red Sox (AL Wild Card) vs. New York Yankees (AL East Champs) vs. L.A. Angels of Anaheim (NL West Champs) vs. L.A. Angels of Anaheim (NL West Champs) vs. L.A. Angels of Anaheim (NL West Champs)

League Championship Series (best of seven):
National League
Houston Astros vs. St. Louis Cardinals
Houston wins series 4-2
American League
L.A. Angels of Anaheim vs. Chicago White Sox
Chicago wins series 4-1

World Series (best of seven):
Chicago White Sox vs. Houston Astros (October 22-30*)
** Some games if necessary

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