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## Homecoming weekend festivities a success for college community

By Julie Kaye Shortt  
Staff Writer

The college, once again, had a successful Alumni Homecoming weekend last week.

"I thought homecoming was wonderful," SGA President Jekeyma Robinson said in an e-mail. "Loven Livesay and Josh Vaughan were the people who coordinated the SGA events like the dance and events of homecoming, and they did a great job."

Students seemed to enjoy the festivities.

"I thought everything was awesome," said freshman Tory Thomas.

The luau kicked off Alumni Homecoming 2007 on Thursday with performances by the Cavalier Marching Band and the Cavalier cheerleading squad. One highlight of the luau was the crazy boat contest, which was won by Pi Kappa Phi.

"The crazy boat race went well, but there weren't too many people participating," Robinson said. "I'd like

to see organizations participate more."

The pep rally was held outside the student center on Friday with performances by the Cavalier Marching Band, the Cavalier cheerleading squad and the step team.

"The pep rally went well, and the cheerleaders, band, and step team did great," Robinson said.

The football game on Saturday turned out to be a success as the Cavaliers beat the Georgetown Tigers.

Red and gray filled the stadium as fans came out to support the Cavs. According to the college's estimate, the stadium was filled with more than 5,000 people.

Football players were not the only ones feeling stress about Saturday's game.

"Homecoming week was very stressful for the cheerleaders because we had to perform at numerous events before the actual game," said Kandace Kilgore, a sophomore in her first year with the cheerleading squad. "I was very nervous cheering

in my first ever homecoming football game at Wise, especially because it was one of the biggest games of the year and because there were so many people there."

"I had fun although I was frustrated a couple times at the crowd because they wouldn't cheer with us," Kilgore said. "So many people came up to me after the game and told me we needed to work on our push-ups, which is true if the score of our games are going to continue to be high, but I'm OK with that."

The SGA Homecoming Dance at the Inn at Norton ended the weekend events.

"The dance was amazing. We had such a great turnout," Robinson said.

Robinson said he hoped that additional events might be added to next year's homecoming festivities.

"An idea discussed this year was a golf cart parade around campus which would be really neat, but due to construction, there was very little that could be done this year," he said.

Below: A college alum points out a former classmate in an old college yearbook

Right: Freshman Kendra Miller leads Cavalier fans in a cheer during Saturday's game



Photo by Kate Baldwin



Photo by Jessica Price

## College partners with exchange program, student opportunities to study abroad increase

By Simon Henry  
Staff Writer

After a year of hard work, the college's Office of International Programs has successfully signed with International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), one of the largest bilateral international exchange programs in the world.

The partnership means that students at the college can choose to attend one of hundreds of colleges around the world for the same tuition they would pay here. Room and board varies from case to case.

Because this is a true exchange program, ISEP will match the college with the needs of a foreign student from somewhere in the ISEP network. This student will attend Wise for the price of their home tuition.

Witold Wolny, director of Interna-

tional Programs, will begin promoting ISEP on campus.

Joanne Kramb, ISEP Member Relations and Marketing Manager, said in an interview last week that the ISEP program differs from other exchange programs in the higher intensity of the independence and immersion of the students who participate.

"It is our goal that exchange students live the life of a local student as much as possible" she said.

Students who embark on an ISEP exchange stand to gain experiences which build self confidence and self reliance, she said.

Information about ISEP and other exchange programs offered through the college can be obtained from Wolny at the Office of International Programs located in the second floor of Darden Hall.



Photo by Kate Baldwin

Left: Band member Ben Harding and others enjoy Thursday's luau.

Below: Sophomore line backer Chad Hooker gets fans into the game on Saturday



Photo by Jessica Price

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## Pulitzer-nominated author to address freshmen

By Aprille Guilliams  
Staff Writer

Tim O'Brien, author of the book "The Things They Carried," will speak at the college Friday, Oct. 5, in the Fred B. Greear Gymnasium at 1 p.m.

New freshmen on campus are required to read the book as part of the freshman seminar classes.

O'Brien's visit is "part of our Quality Enhancement Plan, which we turned into our accreditation body, to try to engage students in reading, writing, and communication during the first year," said Elizabeth Steele, coordinator of advising, retention, and assessment and the administrator of the freshman seminar program.

"We believe that having the author come and speak helps students to connect to the reading and encourages them to think and develop with the reading in ways that they might not otherwise have had an opportunity to do," she said.

The San Francisco Chronicle has called O'Brien "the best American writer of his genera-

tion." The author of eight books, O'Brien received the National Book Award in Fiction in 1979 for his novel "Going After Cacciato."

"The Things They Carried" was named by the New York Times as one of the ten best books of 1990, received the Chicago Tribune Heartland Award in fiction and was a finalist for both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

The French edition of "The Things They Carried" received the Prix du Meilleur Livre Etranger, and the title story was selected by John Updike for inclusion in The Best American Short Stories of the Century.

In 2005, "The Things They Carried" was named by the New York Times as one of the best books of the last quarter century.

"Lake of the Woods," published in 1994, was chosen by Time magazine as the best novel of that year. The book also received the James Fenimore

Cooper Prize from the Society of American Historians and was selected as one of the ten best books of the year by the New York Times.

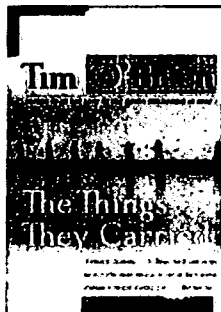
O'Brien's other works include "If I Die in a Combat Zone," "Northern Lights," "Tomcat in Love" and "July, July."

His short fiction, which received the National Magazine Award, has appeared in such journals as The New Yorker, Atlantic, Esquire, and Harper's.

O'Brien holds the Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte Endowed Chair in Creative Writing at Texas State University.

"We chose this reading for a variety of reasons, including its readability; the questions it asks about honor, truth, and courage; and its quality of writing," Steele said. "It is also the case that we are a nation at war, and this is a book that confronts issues about nations at war."

A book signing will follow the lecture.



## College hosts lecture on dangers of social networks

By Stephanie Ring  
Staff Writer

The Center for Student Development hosted the first in a series of "Advice and a Slice" lectures Tuesday, Sept. 18, with guest speaker James Beazley from External Affairs of Dominion Resources.

The lecture was entitled "Digital Dirt: What employers are digging up about you on the Internet."

Beazley reminded students that their friends are not the only ones scoping out MySpace and Facebook pages.

"If I'm able to do that, don't you think future bosses and employers can do the same thing?" Beazley said.

Beazley said statistics show that one in 10 human resource managers log on to MySpace and Facebook using dummy accounts.

Content on MySpace and Facebook pages can affect chances for employ-

ment. Employers could view job applicants as a liability if hired when looking at these pages.

"First impression really makes a difference," Beazley said. "Someone already has an opinion of you within the first 30 seconds."

Beazley said students should get rid of any photos containing drinking and partying, as well as pictures with this content that might be posted by a friend. Journals, blogs and comment sections should also be taken into account. The language and grammar used in writing these sections can affect employment status.

Beazley also encouraged students to Google themselves before going into a job interview to see what information is out on the Internet.

"A quarter of U.S. managers use Google to find information about future employees," Beazley said.

MySpace and Facebook are not the only sites future

employers can get information from.

"Employers can even see what you put in chat groups," said Kathy Elkins, assistant director of Career Development. "If you put it on the Internet, it's fair game."

Even information that may have been deleted can exist in older versions on other people's computers.

Beazley reminded everyone of the big pool of potential candidates out there.

"Students all over the commonwealth are fighting for the same jobs and internships as you," he said.

Students should think twice before posting pictures from that after-Homecoming party, blogging about how much they hate their current job or uploading that video of themselves dancing around the dorms.

"Think about it before you put it on the Internet," Elkins said. "You don't want to be the next 'Today Show' head story."

## Town of Wise activates new Wi-Fi in some areas

By Stephanie Skeen  
Staff Writer

For the first time, wireless internet is now freely available to residents of Wise.

And although Wise is the only town with wireless access in the county so far, the new Wi-Fi system is one of the first steps toward making Wise County a technology-driven area.

The new wireless fidelity, or Wi-Fi, system will provide free internet to residents and students alike.

Users only need to have a wireless internet card and be within range of the routers placed throughout the town to connect.

Routers are currently installed at the town courthouse, the former Wise hospital, the Lonesome Pine Business and Technology Park, and here on campus, according to the Coalfield Progress.

In order for the service to remain free, the county government is subsidizing the Wi-Fi service. This will allow low-income residents as well as off-campus students ready access to the internet.

"It is indirectly an attempt to create a formal connection between the community as a whole and the college community by extending the 'reach' of the college computer network," said Skip Skinner, county administrator.

Although many may be tempted to cancel their current internet subscriptions, the service may not be as fast as what other high-speed internet services offer. The service will still be faster than dial-up, but it could be slowed by many people using the service for different reasons.

"The bandwidth provided will be limited to below what is available on DSL," Skinner said. "We are also using the bandwidth as a way to enable local government mobile Wi-Fi applications for mapping, emergency services and appraisal services."

As for the college campus, Wi-Fi access is currently limited to laptop checkout units in the library, but as security issues are worked out, wireless internet should be available for personal devices in October or November of this year, said Keith Fowlkes, vice chancellor of information technology.

"We definitely want to make sure that anyone who connects to our network is free of viruses and up-to-date on security patches so that wireless devices connected to the network do not hinder the entire wired network," Fowlkes said.

Fowlkes said by February 2008, other wireless access points should be available in areas such as the Student Center atrium, the Student Center 5th floor meeting areas, Papa Joe's and other public areas as the project progresses.

# OPINION

From the Editor's Desk

## Fall Lineup Good For Students

As a college student, I'm constantly looking for ways to pass the time after classes. For the first part of this semester, that time has been spent watching "Seinfeld" reruns and "The Office" season two DVD collection.

However, this week marks a new beginning in the fight against my boredom.

The new fall television lineup began this week.

Most shows, new and returning, debut their season premieres. Like I needed another reason to not do homework.

With new episodes of "Heroes," "Grey's Anatomy," "Two and a Half Men," "CSI," "Lost," "Desperate Housewives," "How I Met Your Mother," "Cold Case," and "Boston Legal," it can be stressful to try and keep up with them all.

And with new shows like, "The Bionic Woman," "Journeyman," "Big Shots," "Cashmere Mafia," "Life," and "Chuck," my time is going to become even more stretched.

The key to enjoying the fall lineup is to find one or two shows that suit you and watch them religiously. Like Autumn suggested in No. 15 of "99 Things to do before you graduate" from UVA-Wise, "Find a weekly TV show that you and your friends would rather fail an exam for than miss."

You may be asking yourself why taking a television show this seriously is necessary.

As students, we have pretty complicated lives. Between work, papers, tests, sports and intramurals, it's easy to forget that we're still young.

I know I said in a previous editorial that we need to make sure to not let things take us away from our school work, but we have to find a happy medium.

That's why it's important to get in a groove with friends and enjoy these shows. My girlfriend and I never miss "Law & Order: SVU," and sports editor Reid Salomonsky and I have "The Office" parties on a regular basis.

A lot of people might think that watching television is a waste of valuable study time.

However, in my opinion, it's nice to escape from the world of reality and slip into the lives of other people. Whether you're wondering if they managed to save the cheerleader, if Stabler and Benson will ever get together, what's happening on Wysteria Lane, if J.D. and Elliot actually kiss, or what happens now that Pam and Jim are together, it's a great way to forget about your own problems in the real world.

It's just nice to know that on Thursday night, instead of worrying about my 5-page paper, I can take a break and worry about whether to watch "Survivor: China" or "Scrubs."

Thank God for Tivo!

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## Kamikaze, living dead, zombies running down the middle of the street

By Simon Henry  
Staff Writer

I wasn't going to write about this.

But then I read Reid Salomonsky's article, "Could UVA-Wise produce a Vick?"

In Reid's article he quotes cross country coach Jason Lewkowicz on how athletes are held to a higher standard than other students as representatives of the college.

Immediately I thought of the many encounters I have had in the last few weeks on the roads of Wise with some of his runners.

Lewkowicz was quoted as saying that athletes

are more visible to the public.

Visible indeed. As they run shirtless down the middle of the road, three, sometimes four wide, in a head-on course with my bumper.

Like a pack of Kamikaze zombies from some flesh-eating horror flick, they run head-on into traffic and do not even consider getting out of the way.

Did these kids' parents not teach them any better than to play in traffic?

It takes simple, common sense to not run towards a car that is moving at over 35 mph.

A few days ago I was driving down Main Street.

There were two runners, running in the on-coming lane. A car was approaching as I was about to pass them. The car was forced to cross the double yellow and almost hit me head-on.

Moments later I turned on to Hurricane Street. Three runners were running shoulder to shoulder in my direction. They were not going to move. I was forced to cross the center line.

I turned my car around, caught up with them, and communicated the way I felt about their insane behavior with a single gesture.

Even opossums, as

simple-minded as they are, try to move out of the way when they are about to be obliterated by your tires.

I am a compassionate person, but if it came down to making the choice between annihilating three cross country runners or hitting a coal truck at a combined speed of 75 mph, I would not count on my compassion.

I am not writing this article to make them look stupid. I am not writing this article to create enemies.

It is better for the people mentioned here to show up in this week's opinion section, and not next week's obituaries.



Daniel Robinson  
Editor-in-Chief

## Healthy debate in freshman seminar

By Eric Vanover  
Opinion Editor

I have to admit that sometimes it is hard to find inspiration for writing an opinion piece. This week, however, was not one of those times.

I needed to look no further than the freshman seminar class that I have been assigned to as a student mentor.

Usually, it is a feat equivalent to "pulling teeth," as my grandfather always said, to get the freshmen students to discuss anything in more detail than a simple "yes" or "no," and perhaps a "can we leave early" when I happen to be alone in the classroom with them.

Last Monday was much the opposite.

This particular Monday afternoon during their usual "Complaint Session," something more important than cafeteria food or parking. We talked about the war in Iraq.

One girl sparked the conversation by noting her concern for what she believed to be disrespectful actions taken toward those who raised awareness about the situation in Iraq by writing statistical facts in chalk along the walkways on campus.

Apparently, some people who were offended by the display of these facts felt that the necessity was to wash away the chalk with water. Obviously, the

young lady telling me this story was not happy with the situation.

Then, two other students decided to chime in by saying that while washing away the chalk was inappropriate, they were, quite frankly, tired of seeing the ironically bright colored chalk that reminded them of the terrible situation over there.

I decided that it was a much better idea for me to mediate the conversation and let everyone who wanted to, give their two cents on the matter at hand. Surprisingly enough, the students that I had never heard a word from in four weeks now seemed rather excited to be in class amidst this heated debate, which continued for the remainder of class.

Perhaps even more surprising was the fact that these young students were passionate about their opinions and willing to participate in a civil discussion about those opinions.

Which, I suppose, is more than I can say for those whose actions started such a debate in the class.

In light of last week, when a student was subdued with a Taser for expressing his first Amendment rights, it was good to see students who cared and were respectful of the opinions of others.

Although the debate did get a little heated at times, (it's OK, I had my Taser ready just in case), especially when the

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## What did you do on homecoming weekend?

**Mckenzie Martinez**  
Freshman  
Undecided

"I went to the ball game and cheered them [football team] on."

**Libby Wachter**  
Freshman  
Communication Major

"I went to the football game and went to the dance."

**Will Booth**  
Freshman  
History Major

"A lot of illicit behavior."

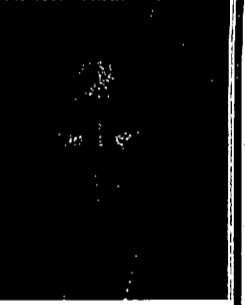


Photo by Kate Baldwin

Former students involved with both Upward Bound and Student Support Services look at old yearbooks and scrapbooks during Homecoming weekend on Sept. 22. The programs held a reunion for those involved.

## Soccer tourney ends in controversy

By Drew Lyon  
Staff Writer

A controversial play in the Intramural Soccer Championship between NOVA and FC Sparta left many questioning the result.

After a scoreless first half between the two teams, Sparta scored in the game's final minutes to win the game. The controversy arose when goalie Sean Sedberry and forward Amod "Plabs" Ghising collided.

"I was going for the ball and my head hit something," Ghising said. "It could have been the ball or the goalie."

Chris Davis, Intramural Director and the head referee, said that Sedberry and Ghising did collide, but the goal would remain.

"The ball was clearly in the goal before the contact occurred," Davis said. "There was no penalty called after the play. 'Plabs' could have been given a yellow card, given

the amount of contact that occurred. This would have forced him to sit out the final two minutes of the game, but the goal would have still counted."

NOVA players said the ruling was unfair because their goalie could not stop the ball. They were left defenseless.

"[Sean] Sedberry was knocked to the ground and did not have a chance to stop the ball," said NOVA defenseman Shadreck Nthusi.

Despite the goal, time was still left on the clock for NOVA to score. They were unable to and Sparta won the game, 1-0.

"It wasn't fair," Nthusi said. "There should be a rematch."

Many of the Sparta players believe nothing would change.

"If there was a rematch, we would win again," said Sparta player Nick Marros.

## Infection reported on campus

Two members of the UVA-Wise community are being treated for MRSA skin infections, public health officials in the Lenovisco Health District announced in an e-mail to all students.

MRSA: Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*, is a bacteria that is mostly found in human skin and noses, and is more com-

monly referred to as "staph infections," the e-mail said.

Because of the seriousness of this outbreak, students and faculty are encouraged to take the following steps to prevent the spread of the infection:

- Wash hands regularly.
- Shower after contact sports.
- Avoid sharing personal

items.

Cover exposed cuts and wounds.

Any student or faculty member suffering from a wound or cut that has become infected and isn't healing properly, should contact Sheila Cantrell, campus nurse, in the Center for Student Development immediately.

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## Release of "Halo 3" has big impact on campus

By Craig Rice  
Staff Writer

Microsoft's release of "Halo 3" for its Xbox 360 gaming console had a big impact on college campuses nationwide and UVA-Wise was no different.

"Halo 3" is a futuristic first-person shooter that follows the military adventures of a green-clad soldier named Master Chief.

To the video game faithful, "Halo 3" is the Mecca of all games. Its merits are greater than genre-defining games like "Mario" and "Zelda."

Its release is expected to trigger a startling trend of insomnia in college-age students whose toughest question will be, "Statistics or one more game of 'Halo?'"

A recent study reported in USA Today, noted that the presence of a gaming console in college students' rooms led to 40 minutes less time spent studying per day, which resulted in an average drop of .241 in GPA.

Junior Collin Skeen could not hold back his enthusiasm two days prior to the release.

"I'm stoked," Skeen said. "The only

thing between me and 'Halo' is about two days. I just can't get enough."

But at what point does the game become too much for a student? At what point does it go from being a hobby to an educational detriment?

Freshman Michael Richardson said that video games only become a problem when they are placed as a high priority.

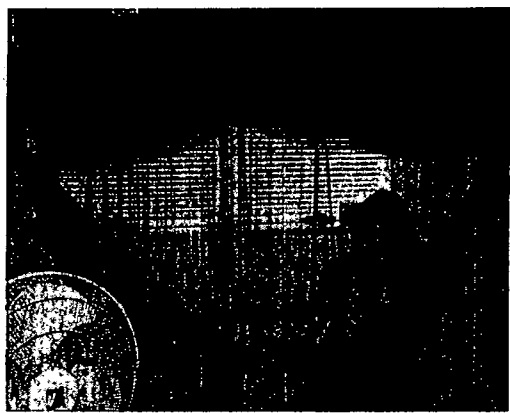
"Video games don't affect you if you are able to keep your priorities straight," Richardson said.

Junior Bradley Sharpe had other reasons for staying away from "Halo 3."

"I don't have the system and even if I did school and work come before that," Sharpe said. "I'd much rather be at a football game or doing something on campus."

Many college students around campus are not playing because of lack of funds. But for those who do plan to buy the game, life and schoolwork can definitely take a back seat to murdering aliens for a few days. Because who needs class when there's a whole world that needs saving?

## The Art of Dorm Room Decorating



Photos by Autumn Lauzon

Asbury residents Tasha Herron and Leigh-Ann Crossen believe they have one of the most interesting rooms on campus. And with hammocks instead of actual beds, it's easy to see why.

"We went to a friend's house and her mom had hammocks from El Salvador," Herron said. "We got the idea to get hammocks [from her]. We went to Ebay and found these."

Herron said that the hammocks were extremely comfortable and that they both often took naps in them.

Roommates Robin Milton and Jessica Roloff share a room in Thompson. Both possess a love for black and white photography and have a selection of photos on their walls and around their desks.

Milton said that they get lots of questions and comments about their photos.

After seeing all the pictures on Roloff's side, Milton made a trip to Walmart to add to her collection.

"Slowly but surely I'm catching up," Milton said.



Matt Grubb calls the "G-Unit" of McCaray Hall home. Posters of various bands adorn the wall from floor to ceiling.

When asked about his choice of decor, Grubb said, "It livens up the room a lot. It's just a lot of stuff I think is pretty cool - memorabilia I guess."

With such a large collection of posters, it's no surprise that visitors always have something to say.

"We get a lot of comments about it in here," Grubb said. "And whenever Health and Safety comes up we have to make a few adjustments to it and hide a few things under the couch."

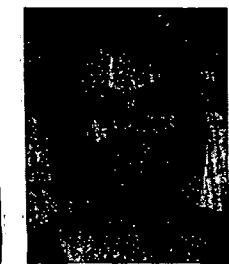
## Sidewalk chalk inspires debate among freshmen

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argument came down to a Republican or Democratic issue, it was a healthy exercise in good citizenship.

And in an age where we have to adopt slogans such as "Vote or Die" to get young people to care, it was good to see those young people, in this case, caring.

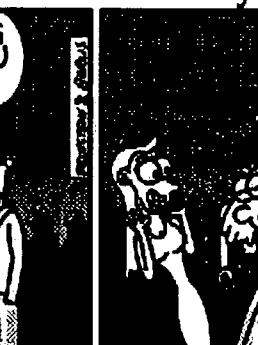
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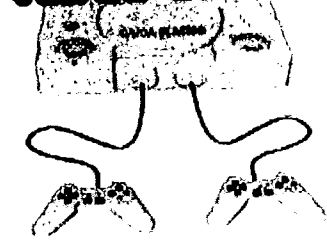
- Happiest moment of your life so far?**  
The day my daughter was born.
- Favorite Movie?**  
Star Wars, I tried to think of some amazing foreign film but I have to go with my first choice on this one.
- Favorite Cookie?**  
Homemade oatmeal cookies.
- Your Passion in Life?**  
Enjoying it [life] as much as possible while I'm here.
- The Best Aspect of UVA Wise?**  
The attention that students receive. I came from SIU with 25,000 students and you can really get lost in the mix at a school that size. At UVA-Wise we have the ability to get to know our students and I think that's great.

## Girls & Sports



## By Justin Borus & Andrew Feinstein

## VIDEO GAMES



## "Halo 3" lives up to pre-release hype

By Aaron Collier  
Features Editor

September 25, 2007 saw the release of "Halo 3" in all of its Xbox 360 glory.

The final chapter pits the green-armored warrior known as Master Chief against the invading swarms of aliens (known as the Covenant) in the final battle that will decide the fate of the universe.

With all the hype surrounding what arguably could be the biggest game ever, there is only one question left to ask: Is it worth it?

I got my hands on the game for the first time early Tuesday morning and proceeded first into the new and improved co-op campaign and was ready to save the world from all sorts of nasty creatures when the answer hit me as the first cut scene played: Every bit of the hype was true.

The first thing I noticed was how sharp the graphics were. Everything on the screen is clear and polished to the point that you feel like you're there. (I know it's a cliché, but it's true.) Master Chief looks incredible as he destroys all in his path with everything from battle rifles to plasma grenades. The surroundings are just as impressive as Master Chief himself.

At one point in the game you have to jump along a broken highway. As I was hopping along I almost fell off admiring the detail in the cracked and destroyed concrete of the highway. It was amazing how clear the smallest textures were.

As always, the controls for "Halo" are incredibly smooth and well-organized. The newest feature is to load without taking your hand off of the lower joystick, which aims your selected weapon, by converting the reload button to the right bumper and the left bumper when dual-wielding weapons. It makes it possible to reload on the fly and in the heat of battle by simply tapping the bumpers.

Much like "Halo 2," "Halo 3" gives you new weapons to help take down both the alien hordes and your buddies on Xbox Live. The first brand new weapon I came across was the Galling gun. In the past you could only use the Galling gun while standing behind it, rendering you immobile while using it. This year's game lets you take the gun from its base and carry it around causing maximum damage. But be warned: While carrying

this gun you move extremely slow under the weight of your new-found toy.

Another addition to your weapon cabinet is the Laser gun which, to be honest, is not as fun as it sounds. To use this weapon you must hold down the weapon trigger on your controller to charge the laser. Once charged a massive red blast propels out of the gun accompanied by a large bang. The only problem is you rarely hit anything because of the time it takes to charge and aim the massively powerful weapon. This gun alone should keep veteran "Halo" players in their chairs trying to master this very difficult weapon.

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The development team at Bungie again raises the playing field with the final installment of the best gaming franchise since "Super Mario." "Halo 3" is an achievement that everyone involved should be proud of.

## Music

## "Kids in the Way" chronicle love and hate with new album

By Aaron Collier  
Features Editor

"Kids in the Way's" third full-length album, "A Love Hate Masquerade," is an anthem laden rock album that examines love, lust and relationships. The band brings the entire rock genre together for a sound that is nothing short of mesmerizing. Punk, alternative, emo and pop-rock genres can all be heard on the album and shows just how many genres influence this band.

The opening track, "Your Demon," is a great starter and sets the tone for the entire album with its hard-driving guitar and a chorus that knocks your socks off.

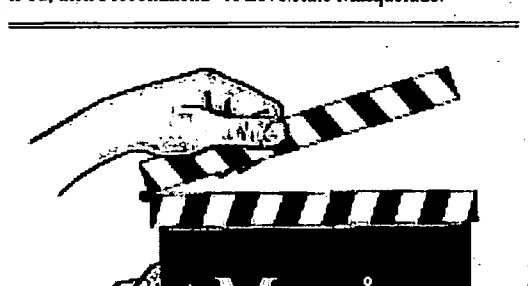
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## "Resident Evil" trilogy ends on a high note

By Derek Bunch  
Staff Writer

"Resident Evil: Extinction" is a very good movie to say the least.

This year has seen so many sequels, but this is definitely one of the better ones. Alice (played by Milla Jovovich) finds herself hiding from the Umbrella Corporation in Nevada, traveling and staying alive on her own. Her powers begin to get stronger as she runs into her old friend Carlos (Oded Fehr) and a caravan of other survivors. She finds a book that says that Alaska has not yet been infected and decides to go to Alaska.

On her way there, she is spotted by the corporation, and they will stop at nothing to get rid of her for good.

"Resident Evil: Extinction" is full of action, mind boggling stunts, crazy effects, and of course, flesh-eating zombies. Jovovich is getting better at playing Alice, and her character shows much more emotion than in the other two installments of the franchise.

This is director Russel Mulcahy's first time directing one of the "Resident Evil" flicks and he does an excellent job.

If there is a fourth movie, I would have no objections to him returning as the director.

## Southwestern humor subject of prof's book

By Allie Robinson  
Staff Writer

Students attempting to earn their doctorate often publish parts of their dissertations in a scholarly journal. Gretchen Martin ultimately turned hers into a book.

Martin, an associate professor of English, worked for a year and a half on her dissertation at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and published some of the chapters as articles in various scholarly journals. Her third chapter was published in the "Southern Literary Journal" in 2005. Shortly after, Martin received a letter from Peter Lang Publishing, requesting that she submit her dissertation for publication as a book.

It took two years to transform the dissertation into a manuscript, and the book "The Frontier Roots of American Realism" was published in January 2007.

In the book, Martin explores Southwestern humor in the mid-19th century.

"It's an under-explored literary movement," she said. "Southwestern literature used humor as a vehicle of social critique. It is the precursor to Mark Twain."

According to her publisher's promotional brochure, the genre of Southwestern humor is about "the plain folk [who] maintained social norms, ideals of honor, justice, gender, and liberty that were significantly different from town and planter gentility, and the humorists of the Old South [that] captured this important distinction."

Martin said that she hopes the book will draw more attention to Southwestern literature and the techniques that the authors used to comment on society.

"Literary analysis can be fun," she said. Martin said she attributes many of her ideas and her understanding of the literature to classroom discussions she has had over the years.

The acknowledgements page of her book reads, "I am grateful to my students at the University of Virginia's College at Wise for interesting and astute observations and discussions about literature that I value deeply."

Martin's book is available for purchase in the campus bookstore.



## "Good Luck Chuck" a comedic success

By Derek Bunch  
Staff Writer

"Good Luck Chuck" has a fair share of strong sexual content and is a rather dirty film, but hilarious nonetheless.

Dane Cook steals this one with his hilarious one liners and sarcastic comments. Despite being somewhat corny at times, the movie produces an original plot line, with a constant flow of strange twists and wacky occurrences.

Dane Cook plays a dentist named Charlie, who has been cursed since he was a boy. His curse: Every woman he sleeps with falls in love and marries the next guy she dates.

At one of his ex's weddings, he meets Cam Wexler (played by Jessica Alba). Strangely, Cam has bad luck

of her own and is extremely clumsy: Charlie falls for Cam, but is afraid she will fall in love with someone else if he sleeps with her. He decides to test the theory with the help of his best friend Stu (Dan Fogler).

Stu lies to Charlie and says that the curse has been broken, but when Charlie finds out, he becomes paranoid that Cam will do anything to stop her from dating another guy.

"Good Luck Chuck" is vulgarly at its best and is a guilty pleasure. The rating and content of the movie does not take anything away from Cook's comedic performance. Jessica Alba also gives a good performance, and I am looking forward to her next comedy ("The Love Guru") co-starring Mike Myers. It does not open, however, until next year.

Staff meetings are held Mondays in the Honor Court room at 2 p.m. and are open to ANYONE who wants to be involved with the paper.

## This Week In History



- October 1, 1975 -- Muhammad Ali TKOs Joe Frazier in 15 rounds for the heavyweight boxing title
- October 2, 1944 -- Nazis crush Warsaw Uprising killing 250,000 people
- October 3, 1990 -- East Germany and West Germany merge to become Germany
- October 4, 1636 -- Plymouth Colony drafts its first law
- October 5, 1969 -- Monty Python's Flying Circus begins airing on BBC

**Contest**  
Last week's contest puzzle was an anagram of 'The Highland Cavalier'.



## Sports Briefs

### Golf team finishes in tie for fifth at Montreat

The UVa-Wise golf team tied for a fifth place finish in the Montreat Invitational on Sept. 18.

Over the two day event, the team shot a 619, which tied them with Milligan and Covenant.

For the tournament, the Cavs were led by junior Bryan Bentley, who shot 153 and senior John Blake Graham, who posted a 155.

The team next plays on Oct. 14 in the Coker Invitational in Hartsville, N.C.

### Volleyball team signs second and third players for next year

The Lady Cav volleyball team added to its recruits for next season by signing two Grayson County stars.

Mikaela Anders and Megan Funk both signed on Monday to play volleyball for UVa-Wise.

Anders and Funk were middle hitters and led Grayson County to three straight district and tournament titles. They also led their team to a state quarter-final finish last season.

Anders and Funk are expected to fill roles left by departing seniors Whitney Lane and Natasha Viers.

### Cavs cross country to host meet tomorrow

For the first time since 2004, the UVa-Wise cross country team will host a meet—the inaugural UVa-Wise Open tomorrow at Camp Bellie.

This season, the Cavs have been led by two runners—Collin Skeen for the men and Britney Killough for the women. Killough has posted top 10 finishes in both her starts for the Cavs.

The meet will mark the first since the Berea Invitational on September 15.

### Scoreboard

**Football (1-0)**  
9/22 - UVa-Wise 63, Georgetown 56

**Volleyball (1-0)**  
9/20 - Union 3, UVa-Wise 0

9/25 - UVa-Wise 3, Bluefield 0

**UVa-Wise Standings - Football** - (4-0, 1-0 in the MSC)  
Tied for second in the Mid-South Conference East Division  
Ranked #7 in the NAIA Poll

**Volleyball** - (11-8, 5-2 in the AAC)  
Third in the AAC

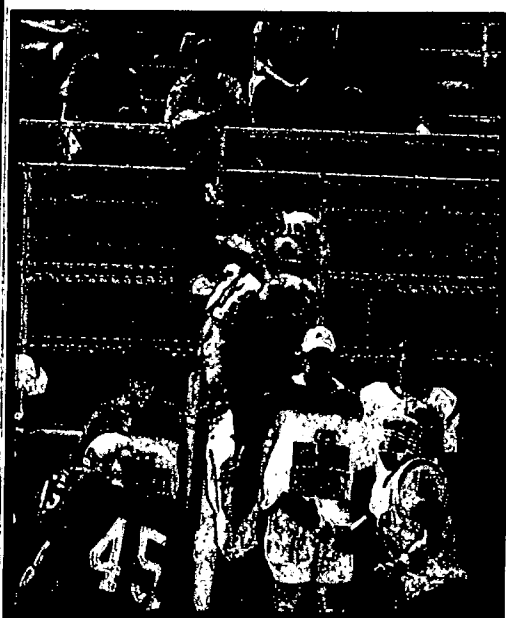


Photo by Jessica Price

## Cavs upset rival Georgetown Tigers, first win in eight tries

By Reid Salomonski  
Sports Editor

The alumni of UVa-Wise were reminded at last Saturday's homecoming game what makes college football so exciting.

The capacity crowd filled Carl Smith Stadium to witness the Cavs defeat their arch rival, the Georgetown Tigers, in a 63-56 offensive shoot-out that came down to the very last play.

It was the first time the Cavs defeated Georgetown in eight tries, and unquestionably the most important game in school history.

The win earned UVa-Wise the ranking of 7th in the nation, the highest in school history.

With a 56-56 tie late in the fourth quarter, Cavs quarterback Randy Hippeard connected with his new favorite target Jason Lovett for a 31 yard gain putting the Cavs at the 1-yard line with only seconds to go.

Without hesitation, the Cavs handed the ball off to superstar running back Ra'Shad Morgan who scored his fourth touchdown of the day.

The Cavs kicked off to Georgetown with 29 seconds left in the game.

Georgetown took advantage of every second, but their last heave into the end zone came up short causing Cavs players and fans alike to break out in sheer pandemonium.

Head coach Bruce Wasem said he was happy to see his players step up to the tough challenge.

"This is easily the biggest win in my career," Wasem said. "If you want to beat a team like Georgetown, you want a team effort. We showed we belong today."

The Cavs had never scored more than 21 points against Georgetown in their previous seven meetings, but were able to score that many in just the first quarter of this game.

They entered halftime with a two touchdown lead, but were unable to maintain the lead late in the game.

Georgetown's offense was able to exploit the Cav defense to the tune of 231 yards rushing, and five touchdowns. Three came in the second half.

However, the Cavs' defense was able to protect against the pass by intercepting three passes and coming up with three sacks.

Although the Cavs' offense seemed to be on track for most of the game, Morgan who has been used as a workhorse as of late, had a relatively quiet day despite four touchdowns.

Morgan, who rushed for 77 yards on 28

Senior defensive back Bryan Tolbert deflects a pass intended for a Tiger receiver during the Cavs 63-56 victory over Georgetown College on Sept. 22.

Tolbert knocked away two passes, had one interception and recorded six tackles in the game.

The victory marked the first time in school history that the Cavs defeated the Georgetown Tigers.

carries, said he was not discouraged about his mere mortal performance.

"It actually feels really good considering that there isn't so much pressure on me to perform," Morgan said. "I'm glad to know that they can use me however they need me, whether that be to run all day or just set up the passing game."

"Ra'Shad is the best weapon in the NAIA and he doesn't need a lot of rushing yards to make his presence felt," Hippeard said.

Perhaps the scariest moment in the game for Cavs fans had nothing to do with the score.

Late in the fourth quarter, Hippeard suffered a big hit after throwing an incomplete pass to Morgan. Hippeard laid on the ground for several moments, only to get up hopping on one leg.

After Cavs fans held their breath for what seemed like forever, Hippeard returned to the huddle and finished the drive.

"I'm not too hurt," Hippeard said. "In a dog fight like this, you're going to get beaten up," he said. "Stuff like this occurs, but it won't stop me from playing next week."

When asked how it felt to be elevated into the top ten in the nation, Hippeard did not let the rankings change his mentality.

"The rankings just don't matter to us. We still have six games to go. Today was an incredible win, and tonight we are going to celebrate. But tomorrow, we need to start thinking about Bethel."

Hippeard exposed the Georgetown defense by throwing the ball 35 times totaling 387 yards and three touchdowns.

The most impressive performance came from sophomore receiver Jason Lovett who caught four passes for a career high 181 yards and two touchdowns.

"Lovett's been making plays for us all year, and it's great to see him put on a show for the home crowd," Hippeard said.

This marks the second year in a row the Cavs have started 4-0, but they intend on going further than ever before.

The seventh-ranked UVa-Wise football team will travel to McKenzie, Tenn. tomorrow where they will face the No. 5 Bethel College Wildcats.

The meeting will mark the first time the two teams have played since 2004. The Wildcats won that game, 47-39. The two teams are tied, 3-3, in the overall series record.

## Cavs should look ahead to NAIA showdown

Cody Dalton  
Asst. Sports Editor

As a fan of the college's football team and just football in general, Saturday was by far the best game in my four years here.

Every year, the UVa-Wise football season would roll around and they would start the season out well. Then the Georgetown game was played and I just wanted to close my eyes.

For a team to host the NFL's Cincinnati Bengals training camp, you know they have the resources to compete. For many years they dominated the Mid-South Conference. Saturday was different though.

This year I didn't close my eyes. I watched one heck of a game between the two, as it went back and forth. At the end, though, I had to hold my breath, as six seconds remained on the clock. Those had to be the longest seconds of my life.

Luckily, the Cavs stilled them on two straight plays and took the game. Our goal of making it to the playoffs is closer than ever. But not too fast Cavs fans.

Overconfidence can make or break a team. After such a huge win, each and every player on the team needs to be focused and ready for another tough test in this week's game against No. 5 Bethel (Tenn.).

Despite losing at NCAA Division II Austin Peay University, Bethel has rolled with ease over their other three opponents and outscored them, 133-59.

The Wildcats are led by the fourth-best rushing game in NAIA, averaging 266 yards per game. Seniors Adrain Smith and Terrance Bell lead the rushing attack and have combined for 918 yards and 14 touchdowns.

Bethel also has great protection for their quarterback. They are second in NAIA in sacks allowed. Getting pressure to their quarterback, Ronnie Jankovich, should be extremely difficult for the Cavs 3-5 defense.

So guys, please don't get too overconfident. We got a great win against Georgetown on Saturday, but we have huge tasks down the road and it starts with Bethel.

I say this not in doubt, but in faith that you all can win the Mid-South Conference East Division championship and make it to the playoffs. I know that this team is senior laden and I have faith that they will settle down the team and focus on the next task.

Finally, I have faith in this coaching staff and their ability to evaluate their competition and come up with a game plan.

So "fellas," bring us a victory home this Saturday and let's get even closer to the East Division championship and a playoff position.

**susan G. komen**  
FOR THE CURE

**The University of Virginia's College at Wise/Lady Cavalier Volleyball Team Hosts "Dig for a Cure" at Greear Gym, Oct. 10 6:30 p.m.**

## Run for the Record!!

Running back Ra'Shad Morgan is nearing the career rushing yards record of former Cavalier Greg Thomas & quarterback Randy Hippeard is on target to break former quarterback David Nara's career passing record

We will be tracking their progress each week.

**Morgan:**  
Record: 4,692 yds - 1,257 yds to go

**Hippeard:**  
Record: 6,517 yds - 543 yds to go

### Players of the Week

Caught 4 passes for 181 yards and 2 touchdowns against Georgetown on September 22

Threw one pass for 45 yards and a touchdown in the game.



**Jason Lovett**  
Football - Sophomore



**Britney Lawson**  
Volleyball - Junior

Posted her 1,000 career digs against Bluefield College

Led Lady Cavs over Bluefield in their game at home

