Speaker challenges audience to put aside differences

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Charles "Chuckie" Abuya, from Kenya, by way of Lexington, Ky., spoke at the 10:45 a.m. event on Sunday, Feb. 24, in the Student Center.

Chuckie, as he prefers to be called, played guitar with white students Samuel Seif, Usman Cats, Raymond Eager, and Sharmil Wills as he sang a Kenyan Christian praise song.

Chuckie spoke about the need for all people regardless of race or ethnicity to put aside differences and come together for the good of all humans.

The event was sponsored by Teammates 4 Life and the Multi-Cultural Alliance.

Jared Soles, head of Teammates 4 Life, said that Chuckie "spoke in four years with us on a mission trip and they became close friends. Soles went on to say that there are only about four people who would call upon in times of trouble and Chuckie is one of them."

Chuckie said he was grateful for the opportunity to speak at the college.

"I don't take pride in the degrees I've earned because they are just a step to where I want to go," Abuya said. "I usually work at the college. I'm a counselor with high school students, so I am honored to be here today."

The UVa-Wise Chap- tion department and the sci­ classroom in Norton.

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Norton coffee shop offers new hangout for students, faculty

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The new Cupid's Coffee Shop located in downtown Norton offers a wide selection of drinks, sandwiches, soups, specialty dessert and appetizers. The shop also offers free wireless internet to all of their customers.

Comittee selects new freshman read

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British-born author Mark Haddon's 2003 novel, "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, has been selected as the college's freshman seminar reading for the 2008-2009 academic year.

The book tells the story of 15-year-old Christopher Boone, a math prodigy with Asperger's Syndrome, and his investigation into the death of his neighbor's dog.

In the course of the investigation, he learns about the secrets of his parent's marriage and the world outside his comfortable, everyday existence.

The selection of Haddon's book was a tough decision for the faculty and staff members on the book committee, said Elizabeth Steele, coordinator of the Office of Advising, Retention and Assessment.

She said that committee members read a series of books—the titles of which were provided by magazines and organizations like the National Resource Center for the First Year Experience and Study in Transition—and then narrowed their list.

Steele said the book came highly recommended from other schools.

She said the book fulfills the college's desire to manage student's engagement in reading and writing. She said complexity of Haddon's writing will provide students with
Marching band to hold auditions next month

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The Highland Cavalier Marching Band held try-outs on Monday, March 22. Auditions will be held in the Highland Center for Music and Theater.

The tryouts consist of individual auditions in which potential members will be asked to play a few scales, said Rick Clevy, instructor of music and director of bands. “We have people on this campus that play band instruments that aren’t in music,” Clevy said.

Clevy said there was a need in different instruments, but some areas needed more attention than others.

“We need all instruments,” he said “But right now, we’re short on trumpets. We need trumpets, flutes, clarinets andFrench horn.”

The marching band just started three years ago and already has 35 members. However, Clevy said that the band is very good.

“I have a personal goal of over 100 [total members] within 15 years,” he said “We’d like to see about 50 in the band next year.

Cupid’s: Coffee shop offers wireless Internet to patrons

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“I like reasonably priced meals and great coffee,” said Hannah Miller, a junior from Christiansburg.

The beads and themes for the beads are significant, Clevy said. “They mean different things to different people. We need trumpets, flutes, clarinets and French horn.”

The Highland Cavalier Marching Band recently held try-outs for students who are interested in participating. The band had over 30 members at the try-outs, said Clevy.

“Those who are interested must be certified as a full-time student at the college with the completion of the three-week study.”

Students who are interested in participating in the band will be required to go through a three-week training program during the spring term. The band will be directed by Mr. Mark E. Cropper, a music instructor at the college.

The band will also visit both the East Tennessee and Appalachian universities and perform together with members of the Appalachian Development.

“I think it’s just very exciting [that] kind of a new idea of the show programs abroad.”

The band will be performing in a variety of locations including libraries, schools, and churches. They will perform both locally and nationally.

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College experiences normal in freshmen

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The study, conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics, found that freshmen are typically provided with adequate instruction.

The study also found that freshmen are typically provided with adequate instruction for the quality of instruction they receive.

When students feel that the instruction they are receiving is adequate, they tend to be more satisfied with their college experience.

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Battling Cancer: Cav baseball player diagnosed with Hodgkins Lymphoma

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The Cavs baseball team traveled to Columbia, Ky. this weekend to take part in the Annual Lindsey Wilson College Awareness Challenge.

But before participating in the game that one of their own players had been diagnosed with cancer:

Sophomore outfielder Billy Fox was recently diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a treatable form of cancer that sees over 90 percent of those affected cureable to the point of remission.

"I want to see my boy back over the summer, and didn't think much of it," Fox said.

"When it started I saw my performance in practice, I decided to get it checked out," Fox said.

For lefty early junior Matt Morrissey, the diagnosis at Lindsey Wilson gave him the motivation to get treatment.

"It was a shock to me and my family to get back next semester...there is a 90 percent chance of me being treated by both radiation and chemotherapy within the semester to get treatment," Morrissey said.

Many initial signs and symptoms may be unnoticeable to those of the illness, such as fatigue, night sweats or weight loss. Eventually, tumors develop, according to MayoClinic.com.

This has been a devastating blow for the Cavs. Not only is the team standing at a record of 2-4 after this week, but the team is dealing with the loss of a great friend and teammate for the rest of the season.

Players said they were all extremely optimistic about Billy's recovery and plan to visit him as much as possible.

The team there a going away party for him but Friday, April 22. The team promised him with a signed baseball and a shirt and were shut down about the news.

Brad Austin, sophomore outfielder said Fox was his best and most valued memories about playing here and away party for him last season.

"I don't think it is affecting me as much as it is affecting away party for him last season. This game gets really emotional sometimes and it should be," Austin said.

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Girls & Sports

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Red hot Cavs down Bulldogs in season finale, prepare for tourny

By Cody Dallon

The U Va-Wise men’s basketball team finished off their regular season with an impressive 86-73 Senior Day victory over Union College.

Senior forward Jared Sides led the Cavs attack with an impressive 30 points. Sophomore Peace Ekenor added 20 of his own to the victory.

The teams’ season battle was in the first half, led to several lead changes. The Cavs early lead was overcome by Union with 1:20 left in the half. The Cavs held on with 2:30 left in the half.

Asitbe game and a Cavs victory came to a close, each senior player was given a tribute by having their own Senior Day moment.

"It was a great day," Sides said. "You can’t ask for anything else. To go out with your friends. People don’t understand how much blood, sweat, and tears we have all put in together. To go out like this really touches your heart."

"We had a good game," Kizer said. The seniors played really well and were quick leaders. They tied the teams all night. The younger players just kept following them. We kept the intensity going right up to the very last second.

Clark said his team was ready to go and be on the offensive instead of being on the defensive and he was right.

The offensive was the key for anybody. Clark said: "They have worked hard and most importantly they are going to be good graduates out of this机构.

"We are not going into the tournament and I hope we can stop it," Clark said. "You have to hope that your team is ready to go and be on the offensive being too conservative, I think that’s a big key for anybody."

While the Cavs bounced Union, Clark was already beginning preparation for the A&AC tournament.

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Freshman Adam Hood attempts a three point shot against Union on Saturday Feb. 23. Hood scored six points (both three-pointers) in the 86-63 victory over Union.

Tennis teams fall short against Division II team in home opener

By Reid Salomonsky

The Cavaliers tennis teams kicked off their season on Feb. 25 against Mars Hill at the Humphreys Tennis Complex, but could not pull out a victory over the NCAA Division II squad.

The men’s team lost 8-1, with the only victory coming from junior Kees Igie.

"Didi didn’t have a lot of time to practice because of the weather," Igie said. "I felt good though, and if we get more time on the courts, we will succeed.

The women’s team which finished 11-4, 5-1 against the conference last season, came up just short against Mars Hill.

The team’s season will be a way to build confidence in the players, and a way to get used to playing against Division II competition.

"All we can do at this point is hope it snows again," Igie said. "As long as we get a chance to hit the courts before the match, and strategize it will be a good trip."

The past few weeks are proof that those of us who live and die by sports, should always remember that winning isn’t everything.

View From The Cheap Seats

Bad Things Happen in Threes

This year has been bad for the Cavs and their fans.

Whether it is the devastating losses, blown calls, or just plain bad luck nothing seems to really be going their way.

However, there have been more serious tragedies this season than just on the court and on the field.

From the Cavs football team getting royally screwed out of the playoffs is a catastrophe, but there have been much more important events that have transpired.

Within a matter of weeks, it seems as if there have been dozens of new devastating stories to report that has nothing to do with sports, just the people who play them.

A few short weeks ago, the Cavs secondary coach Shawn Austin was involved in a horrible car accident, leaving him hospitalized with bad foot injuries.

Austin will be fine, and lucky to receive only minor injuries, without having to fight for his life. Other Cavs have not been as fortunate.

F reshman tennis players Steve Fischman and Brandon Alexander were in a terrible accident that left many of us praying for a miracle.

As it turns out, the car’s passengers, received only minor cuts and a mild concussion, the same could not be said for the car’s drivers.

Fischman was rushed into intensive care, and received multiple surgeries to remove a ruptured spleen and repair his injured skull and a broken bone.

He has made a strong recovery however, remembering those on campus who heard such ominous news as "I heard Steve only has a 30 percent chance to live."

As most unfortunate things occur in threes, this UVa-Wise has been an exception.

The Highland Cavalier reported this week that sophomore outside hitter Billy Fox has been diagnosed with cancer, a disease that my family and I are far too familiar with.

This is not the first time these stories have come to light.

"It’s like playing in front of your family." Senior Jennifer Bentz

"It’s not even fair," Senior Jessica Smale.

"I know 100 percent that this is where the Lord wanted me to be. These four years I have taught myself so much and I would not take a second of it back." Senior Jared Sides.

"I’m going to be part of a real close team. It’s something that I will never forget. I love every second here," Senior Ashley Reese.

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