Lawson opens coffee shop in Wise

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Students looking for an early morning boost or a late night cup of joe might find themselves wandering over to Steelwater Coffee Bar, which will be open in Wise just in time for fall finals.

The shop fills the void left when the Poor Farm Cafe closed last year, in the Shops on Main Plaza on Main St. in Wise.

Brett Lawson, the college's director of dining services, and his wife Sarah are both opening the coffee bar.

"The coffee bar will host a "Preview Day" tomorrow from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The shop will serve hand-steamed hot chocolate and hot apple cider.

"Young people in the area need somewhere to hang out," said Lawson in an e-mail. "I know what it is like to grow up in Wise where there is nothing to do."

Lawson said he and his wife always wanted to open up a coffee shop in the area, and that this seemed a good time to do so.

"We are focusing more on the college students by staying open late into night and on weekends," he said.

"This will be a great place to enjoy a specialty coffee drink, surf the net, study and just hang out," he said.

The shop will have free WiFi and cable TV.

Lawson said the shop is looking to hire workers, and get college students involved.

"I am also looking for artwork to go in the shop office, page 6

Cheerleaders to compete at nationals

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The UVa-Wise cheerleading squad will compete in the preliminary round of the 2009 Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) College Cheerleading and Dance National Championship held Jan. 16-18 at the Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, FL.

If the 19-member team advances through the preliminary and semifinal rounds, they will compete at the UCA camp or send in a submission video to receive a "bid" or invitation to nationals, and we are all really excited!"

To compete at the championship, colleges and universities must attend a UCA camp or send in a submission video to receive a "bid" or invitation to nationals.

Lawson said the college's squad will compete in the national finals on Jan. 18, said head cheerleading and dance team coach Charles Lawson.

"At least get to the finals," Lawson said. "This is the first time in school history that the team has competed (at nationals) and we are all just really excited!"

"We send in our bid tape," Lawson said. "When we sent in our bid tape, we didn’t even have a shot and then we were invited to the finals," Lawson said. "We just wanted to see if we even had a shot and then when we announced in practice that the team received an invitation everyone was just really excited!"

Now that they’ve been invited, Lawson said the team will have to raise $7,000 to cover the costs to compete in Orlando. She said the team plans to make the money with fundraisers and both corporate and family donations. The Office of Student Affairs and Chartwells will also help with funding, Lawson said.

"We have been practicing hard for the competition—especially in the area of stunt stuff," Lawson said. page 4

SAB to host late night breakfast

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The Student Activities Board (SAB) will coordinate the Late Night Breakfast on Saturday in the Campbell Hall Dining Room from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The Late Night Breakfast is a semester tradition hosted by the Office of Student Activities and Chartwells.

Chartwells dining provides the food and faculty and staff members serve students.

Residential students, as well as commuters, are invited to participate in this finals week breakfast.

"The Late Night Breakfast is an event that I fondly remember when I was a student here at the college," said John Justice, associate director of student activities. "It is a great opportunity to relax during exam week and it is a lot of fun to interact with the faculty and staff that are there."

The Late Night Breakfast has been a tradition at the college for years and acts as a steam savior for students before exams.

... The Late Night Breakfast has been a college tradition for as long as I can remember, said Brett Lawson, director of dining services. "It is a great stress buster for the students during exam week and an oppor

December convocation to be held today

From Staff Reports

The college’s December graduates will be recognized today in a ceremony in the Fred R. Cromer Gymnasium at 1 p.m.

Seventy students will participate in the ceremony.

The chairman of the University of Virginia’s Board of Visitors, Thomas F. Farrell II, will serve as keynote speaker for the event. Farrell is also the president and CEO for Dominion.

Others expected to speak include Rhonda Pecot, president of UVa Wise’s Alumni Association; Rachel Tigh, chair of the Faculty Senate; and Travis Breznes, SAB president.

The convocation will be broadcast on WISE-TV.

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Ely named new vice chancellor for development and college relations

By Victoria Chillcow

Ely, who was at the college for nearly 30 years, has been the interim director of development and college relations since 1978. He was appointed to the vice chancellor position last year.

The college plans to offer an on-campus ROTC program for students during the upcoming fall semester.

"I think the program will help the college students more than anyone else, and it is something that the military can apply for a non-major trip or the next fall," Ely said.

"I'm excited about the program," he added. "I think it's very important in fundraising."
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by. Even though the team is strong in that area, she and they still need to work on making improvements before the competition. I also realized that aspect of the film was one of the best parts of the movie. There's a great place to go see some more new faces of Hotch.
Hollister's performance was outstanding. The story takes place in 1864, and the film is set in the American Civil War. Hollister played the role of Union soldier John Buck, who is captured by Confederate soldiers and held in a prison camp.

"Titantic" (2001) (Aspect ratio: 2:35:1)

The story begins with the romantic love story of Jack Dawson and Rose DeWitt Bukater, played by Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet. The two meet aboard the Titanic and fall in love, but their romance is cut short when the ship sinks.


In this film, Harry Potter, played by Daniel Radcliffe, learns that he is the half-blood prince and must face his past as Lord Voldemort's son.


The movie is set in 1876 and tells the story of a samurai who is ordered to destroy the last remaining samurai warriors in Japan.


The movie is based on Dan Brown's novel and follows Robert Langdon, a Harvard professor, as he tries to solve a series of riddles to uncover the mystery of Jesus Christ's relationship with Mary Magdalene.

"The Matrix" (1999) (Aspect ratio: 2.35:1)

The movie tells the story of Neo, played by Keanu Reeves, who discovers that he is a special human being and is part of a greater plan to change the world.


The movies are based on J.R.R. Tolkien's books and follow the adventures of Frodo Baggins, played by Elijah Wood, as he tries to destroy the One Ring to save Middle-earth from Sauron.
Lady Cavs lose to No. 1 ranked Bluefield

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The Cavs’ men’s basketball team lost to top-ranked Bluefield College 96-71 on Wednesday afternoon—suffering their eighth straight loss of the season.

Head coach Lee Clark said that while the Cavs lost, the effort was tremendous and that the team is improving.

“We’re making progress games to games and everyone gave 110 percent,” he said.

Clark said that along with Koces, key players in the Bluefield game included sophomores Adam Hood and Robert Arrix, freshmen Josh Jenkins and senior Travis Brown.

Koces connected on five three-pointers and ended the night with 19 points.

Hood was statistically the best of the night, making 7 of 10 from the field, including four triples, for a total of 22 points.

At the beginning of the game, the Cavs gave the Bluefield quick lead with back-to-back three pointers.

The Cavs were Shaunohed during the game, with sophomores Kevin Perry injured.

Clark attributed the loss mainly to the lack of men able to play.

“We’re short-handed right now,” he said. “We need more numbers.”

“Once we get to a full squad, we’ll be good [tomorrow],” he said.

The Cavs next play at Montreat tomorrow. Clark said that if the team pays for another “messy offensive,” they will put themselves in the position to win.

“Right now, Koces said he is not giving up hope. “I believe in this team,” he said.

Above: Sophomore Adam Hood attempts a basket during the Dec. 3 game against Bluefield College.

The Cavs lost the Dec. 3 game 96-71. Hood led the Cavs with 22 points.

Left: Senior Eric Swords pushes past a Bluefield player during the Dec. 3 game. The loss was the eighth for the Cavs, bringing their record to 0-8.

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