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Signs posted to prevent trespassing on lake

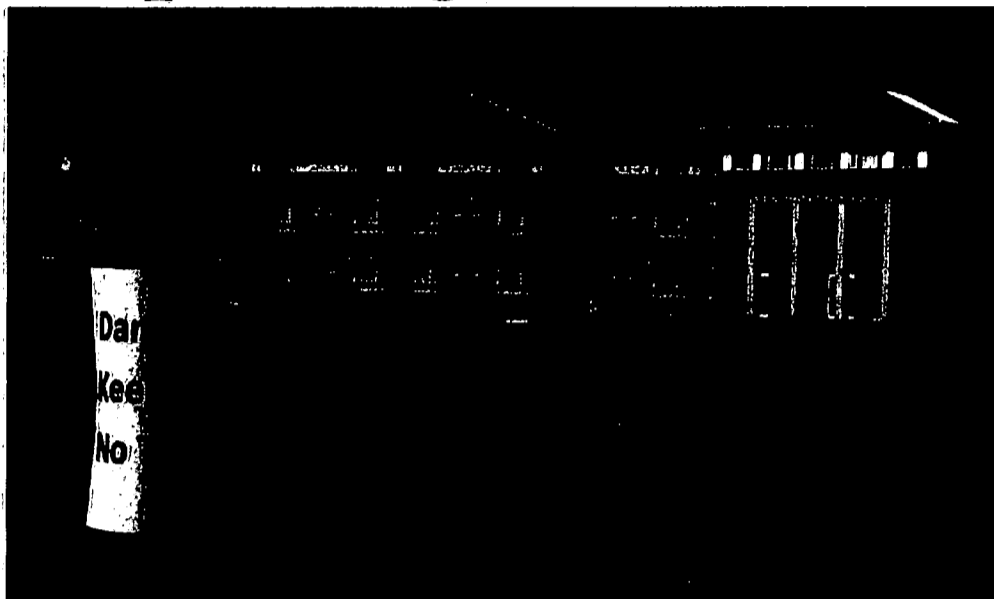


Photo by Jessica Price

Signs have been posted around the lake warning students and visitors of the dangers of walking on the ice. Anyone caught on the ice could be given either a citation or made to appear before the Judicial Board.

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Some students and college visitors went where few have likely gone before last week—walking across the ice-covered college lake.

Campus police have since posted signs around the lake forbidding people from walking across it once the water has frozen over. And, students caught doing so will face criminal charges.

"The officers have the option of issuing a citation for trespassing, which

is a Class 1 misdemeanor or they can choose to bring it before the judicial board," said Campus Police Chief Steve McCoy. "That will be [at the officer's discretion]."

McCoy said that once issued a ticket, students would be required to appear before the Wise County Municipal Court and could face a maximum punishment of one year in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

McCoy said the danger of walking on the ice was falling through and possibly suffering from hypothermia.

"If it's nighttime, the water is

murky, and [if you fell] through and couldn't find the opening, hypothermia would set in and...you [could] get disoriented."

He said the lake's temperatures might range from 28 to 37 degrees.

"I just don't think a lot of students realize the depth [of the lake] is more than just waist depth," McCoy said.

He said that in some areas the lake is as much as 10 to 12 feet deep.

McCoy, who also serves as the director of public safety, said it was his job to make sure students on campus

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Cutting Costs

College plans to handle state budget cuts with minimal impact to students

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Budget cuts passed down from the state since the fall have forced UVa-Wise officials to reduce expenses in ways that will have the least impact upon the student body.

According to Sim Ewing, vice chancellor for finance and government relations, the college has lost about \$1.7 million so far in budget cuts in the fiscal years of 2008 and 2009.

He said he expects an additional cut of 10 percent, and that by the end of the next fiscal year, nearly \$3.25 million will have been cut from the college's budget.

To put that in perspective, he said that \$3.25 million is roughly the amount necessary to pay 45 professors. UVa-Wise currently employs about 90. However, the college does not plan to lay anyone off.

"We are trying to not eliminate people that are currently employed," he said. "But any position that is vacant and frozen still counts as a layoff to the state. So far we have 10 or 11 such positions."

To cut costs, the college has instead implemented a hiring freeze and will employ people as needed.

Department budgets that pay for things like pencils and chalk have been reduced. Nonessential travel funding has been frozen, and Ewing said that UVa-Wise is watching its cash flow.

Also, the college is trying to prepay for some items next year in preparation for more budget cuts in the fiscal year of 2010.

"There is no way that we all won't be affected [by the state cuts]," Ewing said. "We're trying to pick things that will create the fewest waves."

He said students could help minimize the college's financial strain by working with their advisors to ensure that they are taking the classes they need. Students also should turn off lights and electronics and water when

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Departments on campus cut back

Across campus, departments are finding ways to scale back their expenditures.

The Department of Development and College Relations, which among other things generates support for the college's "Fulfilling the Dream" campaign, has three positions that will not be filled—one of which was a part-time job.

"The duties and responsibilities associated with these positions [are being covered] by other employees," Tami Ely, vice chancellor for development and college relations, wrote in an e-mail.

Director of Development Valerie Lawson wrote in an e-mail that work-study students will also help out with clerical tasks in the office.

The department has also taken other steps to cut costs, including reducing printing funds, eliminating funds for staff training and professional development and assessing employee responsibilities to make sure resources are effectively used.

"We are closely scrutinizing all of our donor cultivation," Ely said.

Lawson said the department is trying to determine which events they attend will provide the best outcome for the efforts and funds invested.

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Weather woes

Winter weather raises questions about campus day care facility

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It's just snowed. Or cold temperatures have left patches of ice dotting the county's roads.

Public school delays and closings flash across the bottom of television screens.

And, as a result, children, far shorter and smaller than your typical college student, appear in the college's hallways. In your classrooms.

The picture is probably quite familiar to anyone who has spent at least one winter on this campus. Many par-

ents—whether they be students, faculty or staff—have few options but to bring their kids with them to campus.

Many of the college's faculty say they understand.

Jessica Williams, an instructor of Spanish, said that seeing students, who are parents themselves, bring their children to her classes is a common occurrence.

"I always have somebody with kids," Williams said. "I've had a variety of parents have to bring their children in when there [are] snow days and that's fine... it doesn't distract me, but it might be distracting for the

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Student groups host Super Bowl Party

From Staff Reports

You might not be able to make it to Tampa, Fl. for this weekend's Super Bowl matchup between the Arizona Cardinals and the Pittsburgh Steelers, but fear not, football fans.

The college's Student Activities Board, Baptist Collegiate Ministries and Wesley Fellowship are joining together to bring the Super Bowl to you.

The three campus groups will sponsor a "Super Bowl Party" starting at 6 p.m. on Sunday in the Slomp Student Center atrium. The event will end at the conclusion of the game.

In addition to the game on a big screen, free food and door prizes during the game's famous commercial breaks. Former Green Bay Packers star Carroll Dale, the assistant vice chancellor for athletic development at the college, will be on hand to speak prior to the game. Dale was a member of the Packers' Super Bowl I and II winning teams.

"I'm excited about the game and the event and hope students will come out and enjoy the fun," said Josh Justice, the college's assistant director for student activities and Greek life.

Kickoff is set for 6:28 p.m.

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IN A NAIL-BITING GAME WEDNESDAY NIGHT, THE CAVS BASKETBALL TEAM TRIUMPHED OVER MILLIGAN COLLEGE IN OVERTIME. READ THE STORY ON PAGE 6.



DON'T MISS THE RETURN OF THE ALWAYS POPULAR AND CONTROVERSIAL "HE SAID, SHE SAID." WITNESS THE TRUE BATTLE OF THE SEXES ON PAGE 4.

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Campus Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 31
DM 1st Annual UVA-Wise Clarinet Day, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 1
BCM, SAB, Wesley Foundation Super Bowl Party, SSC atrium, 6 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 2
OREC & SAB Ice Skating Rink, Gilliam Sculpture Garden, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

BCM Prayer Meeting, Chapel, 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 3
Bookstore Textbook Buybacks, SSC atrium

SAB Weekly Meeting, Honor Court Room, 6 p.m.

WF Weekly Dinner, Wesley, 6 p.m.

INT Racquetball Singles Tour, SSC, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 4
Graduation Applications Due for next term

Bookstore Textbook Buybacks, SSC atrium

INT Paper Football tournament, SSC Game Room, 1 & 6 p.m.

BCM Weekly Supper, Baptist Student Center, 5 p.m.

SAB Film Series, "Quantum of Solace" SSC 5th floor, 8 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 6
SGA Weekly Meeting, SSC Rhododendron Room, 1 p.m.

SAB Film Series, "Quantum of Solace," SSC 5th floor, 9 p.m.

He Said, She Said

Should a guy be allowed to ignore his girlfriend during the Super Bowl?



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Absolutely. Wholeheartedly, yes. Unequivocally, yes.

As a matter of fact, I'll take it one step further—a man should be able to ignore his girlfriend during all of Super Bowl Sunday if he so chooses. (Though I would not necessarily recommend it.)

Let's look at the Super Bowl from a man's perspective, shall we?

The Super Bowl is the single biggest event of the year in America. The biggest game of the year in the most popular American sport.

Super Bowl Sunday is the one day of the year when every other television defers to the power of "The Bowl." Church services are cancelled. Businesses are shut down. Busy cities are turned into desolate ghost towns.

If a man watches games the entire season, this is the culmination of all his dedication and hard work. Most likely, he spent countless hours checking stats and injury reports for his fantasy team. He spent yet more hours checking kick-off times and local listings to make sure he saw all the games he wanted, nay, needed to see.

And what is his reward? The Super Bowl.

The game that has time and time again turned mere mortals into gods. It's created lasting memories that to this day make some men weep in despair and

others stand tall with pride. Nameth's guarantee. El-way's first down. Vinatieri's game winner and Tyree's catch are but a few.

We would be lesser men had we not witnessed or, at least heard of these courageous feats.

That's why we must ignore you.

All of our attention must be focused on these lords of the gridiron because our maturation as men depends on it.

When a man watches great moments and reflects on them later, he slowly becomes someone else. He is able to recall the astonishing acts of bravery he has witnessed and use them as teaching tools of how to be a real man in his day-to-day life.

Got a report due in three days?

Ask yourself what Broadway Joe would do.

"I guarantee I'll have it done in one and a half days, sir."

Feel too nervous to give that big presentation?

Think about how Automatic Adam would handle the dilemma.

Step up to the pedestal with every eye on you, and bring home the win.

If we somehow miss the greatest touchdown, defensive stance, interception or pass, in the history of the Super Bowl, our growth would be stunted. We would be but a mere shadow of the men we could be.

So, why must I ignore you, sweetheart?

For you. I do it all for you. If I am to be a good and model man, I have no choice but to ignore your every word, thought and care, for fear I might miss the one moment that would forever change my outlook on life and transform me into the man you truly deserve.



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She says that no, guys, you should not be allowed to zone out from your significant others during the Super Bowl.

Football.

The sport has broken many relationships in years past, and probably will break many more in the years to come. Whether it's college or professional, men are (generally) drawn to the game.

But, that doesn't give them a reason to zone out and potentially ignore their girlfriend/fiancee/wife/significant other during the game.

And that stands for the holy grail of football games, too: the Super Bowl.

Thanks to previous wins in championship games, the Arizona Cardinals and the Pittsburgh Steelers will be headed to Tampa to play in the 43rd Super Bowl.

Men everywhere (and women, too) are preparing themselves for this momentous night.

However, men have the tendency to focus with a one-track mind, and if football is on, their significant other doesn't matter.

This should never be the case.

Gentlemen, for your sake and for your relationship's sake, pay attention to your significant other, even if the Super Bowl is on.

Believe me, when it's over and you're left with her instead of being a part of the celebration

in Florida, you'll have wished you had paid attention to her if you didn't, and be thankful if you did.

Now, I love football just as much as the next person, but I never ignore my significant other, and he doesn't ignore me either.

One of the reasons I love football so much is because he took the time to explain the game to me when we first started dating.

If you're male and reading this with a skeptical opinion of my observations, look at it this way: Football can be something you can share with your significant other.

Even if she's not a sports fan, the fact that you paid enough attention to her during the biggest game of the NFL season to explain the ins and outs of football will make you a happier man in the long run. She will most likely be extremely appreciative, praising you for your thoughtfulness and patience. That's definitely a better alternative than being in the doghouse for a few weeks.

If you can't fathom the thought of explaining football, at least act like you're paying attention to her.

If she insists on having a conversation during the game, pay attention during commercials and non-key plays.

If it's fourth-and-1 and your team is going for it, try to manage a grunt so it will at least sound like you're paying attention, even if you're not.

In short, yes, it is the most important game of the season, but she could be the woman you (may) spend the rest of your life with. I think paying attention to her for a few hours during the Super Bowl shouldn't be that complicated.

Come on, guys.

Let's go for a touchdown in your relationships—not just a field goal.

The Highland Cavalier is bringing back "He Said, She Said." If you have an issue you think we should discuss, please e-mail us at highlandcavalier@uvawise.edu.

SAB Film Series



Quantum of Solace

Free Popcorn & Door Prizes

Wed., Feb. 4 - 8 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 6 - 9 p.m.
5th Floor Student Center

Cavs

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ing as hard as it could have. Hood said the Cavs didn't want to stress themselves over a non-conference game.

The next game for the Cavs is tomorrow on the road, against top-seed Bluefield College, and Hood, Sexton and Willis all said that the momentum of Wednesday's game needed to continue.

"The feeling needs to carry over to Bluefield," Sexton said.

"We'll take off tomorrow and rest," Willis said. "But we'll keep playing hard."

Coach Clark said that Bluefield will be a hard team to knock off of the top seed.

But, he said the team has been playing a lot better in the second semester, and should be able to contend with Bluefield.

"[There's] nothing to lose for our guys, and everything to gain," he said. "And I hope our guys go in with that mentality."

Overall, the Cavs have a positive outlook for the rest of the season.

"We've been playing better as a team," Sexton said. "The outlook is good."

"We're at an all time high," Willis said. "Luck is coming on our side."

The Cavs' next game will be on the road tomorrow against Bluefield College at 4 p.m.

Eastwood's acting legacy bruised with "Gran Torino"

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THIS WEEK IN ENTERTAINMENT

Movies

(All released on Jan. 30)

"The Uninvited"
(Dreamworks/SKG)
Cast: Emily Browning, Elizabeth Banks
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Horror/Thriller
Plot: After her mother's death and her subsequent hospital stay, Anna Rydell (Browning) returns home to be with her sister (Krebbel) and her father (Strathairn), who has become engaged to Rachel (Banks), her mother's former nurse. Anna is visited by her mother's ghost, who reveals that the new woman in her father's life is not who she pretends to be, leading to a fateful confrontation between the women of the house. (IMDB.com)

"Taken"
(20th Century Fox)
Cast: Liam Neeson, Famke Janssen
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Action/Thriller
Plot: A former spy (Neeson) relies on his old skills to save his daughter, who was kidnapped by slave traders during her vacation in Paris. (IMDB.com)

"New in Town"
(Gold Circle Films)
Cast: Renee Zellweger, Harry Connick Jr.
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Romance/Comedy
Plot: A Miami-based consultant (Zellweger) is shipped out to small-town Minnesota for her newest project: supervising the restructuring of a local manufacturing plant.

"The Fray"
(Epic)
Genre: Alternative
Cast: Renee Zellweger, Harry Connick Jr.
Rating: PG-13
Genre: Romance/Comedy
Plot: A Miami-based consultant (Zellweger) is shipped out to small-town Minnesota for her newest project: supervising the restructuring of a local manufacturing plant.

Music

(All released on Feb. 3)

The Fray
"Self-Titled"
(Epic)
Genre: Alternative

Von Bondles
"Love, Hate and Then There's You"
(Majordomo)
Genre: Indie/Rock

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Then there is Bee Vang, the young Asian actor who plays Kowalski's reclamation project Thao. This was the first movie he starred in. And, I guess I should give him a break. But I won't.

Vang's inexperience is nothing short of painful to watch. Everything he does comes off as awkward and robotic. Everything comes off as broken, from his delivery to his facial expressions.

There are a couple of bright spots, though, if you take the time to look underneath the blanket of bad performances.

Ahney Her, who plays Thao's older sister Sue, shines on the screen. For all the growing pains Vang showed with his rookie performance, Her came off like a veteran in her silver-screen debut. She came off as smooth and confident and cemented herself a future in Hollywood.

Christopher Carley's portrayal of Father Janovich, the young priest who attempts to be Kowalski's conscience, is nothing short of great. His performance as a young, but determined, priest is something Hollywood should take notice of. He should be considered for more prominent roles in the future.

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peacefully.

Someone needs to pat Clint Eastwood on the back, give him his next directing gig and then quietly put his acting career in the grave.

"Gran Torino" should be the last nail in the coffin of an iconic acting career that Clint Eastwood has built.

The story revolves around Walt Kowalski, a bitter Korean War veteran who takes a young Hmong teenager under his tutelage after the young man attempts to steal Kowalski's 1972 Gran Torino as part of a gang initiation.

"This movie should have been great. The story was inspirational without being overly corny, Eastwood's directing was solid and the film appealed to both the twenty-somethings and their grandparents.

But two things hindered this film from the beginning: bad acting and bad dialogue.

The acting in this movie was abysmal from almost everyone. Eastwood leads the charge with him reenacting his role as Dirty Harry, squinting eyes and raspy tough-guy voice included, as a crabby old man that sits on his porch and only moves when someone walks on his perfectly maintained front yard. Eastwood comes off as nothing short of a caricature of himself, which saddens me.

The fact that the movie ends with Eastwood badly singing a song titled "Gran Torino," shows that East-

wood has lost his luster and, apparently, his mind.

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At times I didn't know whether to take the film as a comedy or a serious social drama: Kowalski's racially insensitive one-liners, though they fit the character and the lesson of the story, served as a good laugh that soon subsided to a groan and an eye-roll. The fact that Eastwood delivers them in his tough-man growl makes it even more ridiculous to the ears.

With all that is wrong with this movie, you have to appreciate the anti-violence and the racially tolerant message the film promotes. I applaud both Eastwood and the writers of the film, Nick Schenk and Dave Johansson, for creating a film that has a noble message attached without being too preachy or sugarcoating the problem.

"Gran Torino" is a mediocre movie at best and should serve as a not-so-fond farewell to Eastwood's acting career.

Rapid Reviews

Movies

"Underworld: Rise of the Lycans"

(Screen Gems)

"The first film was significantly better and, therefore, is the place to start for anyone with a modicum of interest. 'Underworld: Rise of the Lycans' is an also-ran that is likely to be appreciated only by completists."

James Berardinelli/ReelViews

"Hotel for Dogs"

(Fox Searchlight Pictures)

"On the upside, the movie could do something really positive for the cause of homeless pets: If audiences respond the way they should, dog shelters could be emptied in a week."

John Anderson/Washington Post

Video Games

"Afro Samurai"

(XBox 360, PS3)

"It isn't the next action classic, but it embraces its subject matter with vigor and delivers equally dynamic combat in spades. You can squeeze a good seven hours of enjoyment out of the experience the first time around, and hidden items and ensuing unlockables may drive you to return."

Kevin VanOrd/GameSpot.com

"Star Ocean: Second Evolution"

(PSP)

"With strong replayability and a stunning presentation, 'Star Ocean: Second Evolution' is a competent remake that offers a great opportunity for experiencing this PlayStation classic."

Shiva Stella/GameSpot.com

"Bride Wars" good for an afternoon rental

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Chick flicks and I go together like oil and water.

I'm the type of movie-goer who prefers gore to romance and thought provoking plot features to ditty unappealing ones.

I must have been insane when I recently chose to see a movie that goes against all these elements—"Bride Wars."

Like every other woman, I have my moments and occasionally succumb to the stereotypical chick flick entertainment.

Emma (Anne Hathaway) and Liv (Kate Hudson) have been friends since their youth. And, since that time they have dreamed of having June weddings in the Plaza Hotel.

Seemingly, nothing can tear their friendship apart, that is, until the two friends have an unexpected twist of fate—their dream weddings are mistakenly set on the same date by their wedding planner.

As the movie's plot unfolds, the women's friendship is tested.

The aspect of having their weddings in the Plaza on the exact same day as each other is a definite souring point in the women's friendship, making the two women turn into vicious enemies.

I'm a fan of Hathaway and like her past acting roles. The fact that she can play such diverse roles is what makes her an excellent actress.

The concept behind "Bride Wars"—that true friends stay friends no matter what challenges life creates—is an aspect of the movie that I actually liked.

However, I was disappointed that there wasn't more of a "war" between the two women. Emma dying Liv's hair blue and Liv sabotaging Emma's tanning session resulting in an outrageously orange tan are just a few of the things considered to be "warlike."

While the first half of the movie is full of humor, the latter half is the complete opposite.

It focuses more seriously on the actions of the two women. Gone is the humor. It's replaced by the dire reality of what the two women have done to one another and the relationships that have with each other and their significant others.

Sadly, I'd have to say that I'd have to rate "Bride Wars" as a lazy Saturday, I-don't-want-to-get-up-and-change-the-channel type movie.

Girls & Sports

By Justin Borus & Andrew Feinstein



Cavs men's basketball team gets conference win over Milligan College

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In what was undoubtedly the most intense game of the season, the Cavalier men's basketball team pulled off an 85-81 overtime win over Milligan College.

Milligan gained an early lead with a quick basket only seconds into the game, but the Cavs came back strong in the second half.

Sophomores Adam Hood and Travis Willis were both driving forces in the second half. Hood scored 14 points, while Willis added 12.

When the game was forced into overtime after a Milligan three-pointer, senior Bryan Sexton gave the Cavs the lead, making two free throws.

Junior Pance Kecev gave the Cavs an 84-81 lead with two free throws.

Junior Aaron Meacham also added a free throw, to end the game.

The Cavs were excited about the conference win over Milligan, and are confident that their success will continue for the rest of the season.

The team is preparing for the tournament, which the players all said is the most important thing.

"The tournament is key," Sexton said.

Hood, who said he was fueled by head coach Lee Clark's halftime chewing-out that got "under his skin," said the team is focused on winning conference games.

He also said that the 73-46 loss to Lincoln Memorial on Jan. 26, was a result of the team not play-

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Photos by Whitney Bentley

Top: Freshman Patrick Fisher goes up for a layup over Milligan center Marshall Hardy during the Cavs' 85-81 win on Jan. 28. It was the Cavs' fifth win of the season.

Left: Junior Travis Brannon gets fouled under the basket during the team's win over Milligan.

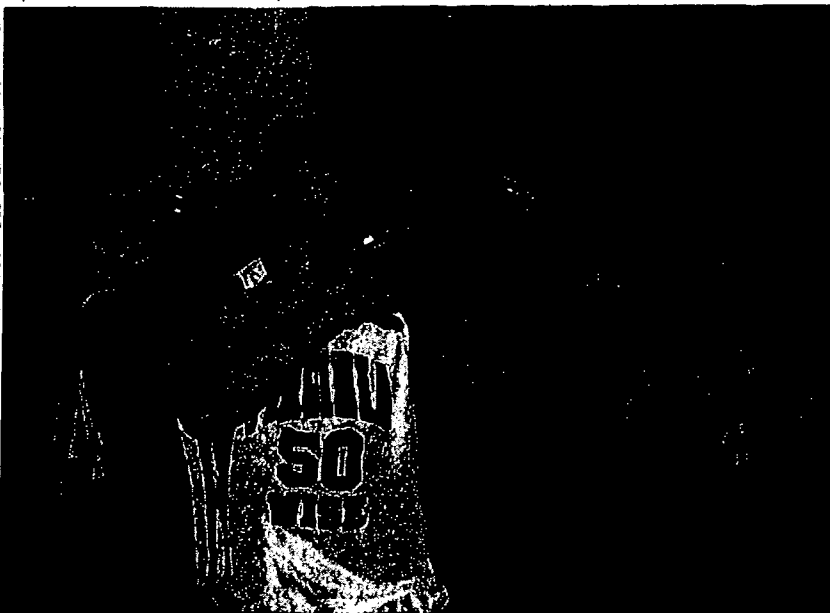


Photo by Whitney Bentley

Freshman MaShonna Hughes shoots during the Jan. 28 game against Milligan College. The Lady Cavs lost the game 77-81.

Winter break woes continue for women's basketball

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Despite a win over Montreat on Dec. 6, the Lady Cavs basketball team seems to have fallen into a slump over winter break.

The team has lost nine straight games since break began in December, including Wednesday night in a 77-61 home loss against second ranked Milligan College.

In the game against Milligan, freshman Kristin Mullins led the Lady Cavs with 18 points, three assists and four rebounds.

Free throws were a problem during the game, with the Lady Cavs making only nine out of the 16.

The team only had 13 turnovers, compared to Milligan's 21.

Going into the second half, Milligan led with a 21 point advantage, and never gave the lead up.

Basketball fans may wonder what could possibly be plaguing the team

with such bad luck.

Head coach Rachel Clay-Keohane said that though she doesn't want to use it as a "crutch," she can't help but blame injuries for a lot of the team's problems.

Three players were injured over break and it is unknown when they will return to play full-time.

"We've had a rough go," Clay-Keohane said. "With a lot of injuries we have to get used to a different group each time."

Another problem facing the Lady Cavs is a lack of consistency. The team is not playing well on a regular basis, but this is in part because of injuries displacing certain players.

The problem does not seem to be affecting the whole team though.

Clay-Keohane said that one player who has continued to become more and more consistent is Mullins.

Although the Lady Cavs have hit a losing streak, Clay-Keohane said she can see some improvements.

"Alexa [Orr] has been playing bet-

ter," Clay-Keohane said. "And could grow into a role to make us stronger."

Beyond injuries and consistency, the young team is still getting used to each other.

While the players are very athletic, they still have to learn to play together as a team, Clay-Keohane said.

The Lady Cavs plan for the future includes weight training to improve players' physical strength. This may not remedy the current situation, but it will be more effective later on.

A more immediate solution is getting the team healthy and back in the game to help with the lack of consistency.

"The future is bright, but it's anybody's guess when it will arrive," Clay-Keohane said.

The next game for the Lady Cavs is on the road tonight at 6 p.m. against Kentucky Christian University.

The Lady Cavs have yet to play against Kentucky Christian this season.

Quick Hits



Hood earns AAC Player of the Week honors

Sophomore Adam Hood was awarded the Appalachian Athletic Conference men's basketball Player of the Week award on Jan. 26.

Hood has averaged 28.5 points, with a career-high of 32 points last Saturday, Jan. 24 against Union College. He made nine of

18 attempts, five of eight triples, and nine of 13 free throws. Hood also added nine rebounds and four assists.

In the Jan. 21 game against Bryan College, Hood made seven of his 16 attempts, two three-pointers and had three assists.

He is also leading the Cavs in point average (15.4-point average) and assists (72).

Lovett & Hippeard Picked for NAIA Football All-American

Junior Jason Lovett and senior Randy Hippeard have been selected to be apart of the 2008 Victory Sports Network/College Fanz NAIA Football All-American teams.

Lovett, a wide receiver, made the second team and Hippeard, the Cavs' starting quarterback for the 2008 season, was an honorable mention selection.

This season, Lovett caught 42 passes for 799 yards and scored a school record of 17 touchdowns over eight games. He averaged 99.9 yards per game and 19.0 yards per reception.

Hippeard finished the season holding every passing record. Overall, he passed for 3,637 yards, successfully completed 217 of 354 attempts, and threw 38 touchdowns. He was intercepted just nine times. He averaged 330.6 passing yards and 339.9 yards of total offense per game.

Lady Cavs Softball team picked second in preseason coaches poll

Appalachian Athletic Conference coaches have picked the Lady Cavs softball team to finish second in the annual preseason coaches poll.

The Cavs were only behind Milligan College, which received four first place votes and 66 overall points.

UVA-Wise was given three first place votes and 65 overall points.

Union College, Tennessee Wesleyan, King College, Covenant College, Virginia Intermont, Montreat and Bluefield College finish out the poll.

Last season, the Lady Cavs finished 29-19.

The team failed to finish first in the AAC last season for the first time in five years.

The team claimed four straight AAC regular season titles from 2004-07 and five of the last seven championships.

The Lady Cavs start their season at home on Feb. 13 against Lees McRae College starting at 5 p.m.