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Senior English major Lauren Miller swipes her CAVS card to unlock the doors of Culbertson Hall. Beginning Feb. 18, all residence hall doors have been locked 24 hours a day as part of a new policy implemented by the housing department.

Res halls now locked

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This article is a follow up to Feb. 13's "Residence hall lock policy scrutinized."

Residence halls are now being locked 24 hours a day, in response to a call for greater security following the Jan. 23 gunman hoax.

Director of Residence Life Angie Lemke said that the new policy does not affect anything or create additional hall policies or procedures from 9 p.m. to 8 a.m. or on the weekends, since halls are locked during this period already. The changes only apply between the hours of 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, when all residence hall doors can now only be accessed with a key or CAVS card.

Lemke said that her department has been working to make sure all students are aware of the change by posting informative flyers on all of the exterior doors and in hallways to remind students to always carry their key and student ID at all times. Resident advisers have also been sharing the information with students at floor meetings.

Currently, Commonwealth and Culbertson are locked through a computer system and all other residence halls are locked by hand.

All residence halls may soon be on the card swipe system, however, said Lemke.

Once the swipe system is installed, namely on McCraray, Martha Randolph and Henson Halls, students will not need to make additional changes since *see Locks, page 4*

Evaluation ordered of Hairston's competency

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A federal judge has ordered a psychiatric evaluation for the UVa-Wise student accused of calling 911 with a fake report of a gunman on campus last month.

Bryant Alexander Hairston's attorney requested the competency evaluation at a hearing on Feb. 8, according to documents filed in U.S. District Court in Abingdon.

Federal Magistrate Judge Pamela Sargent ordered the evaluation to be done at an outpatient facility at Hairston's expense, records show. Prosecutors agreed to the screening as long as it is done by a government-approved expert.

Hairston, 20, of Martinsville, was due to be arraigned on Feb. 15. That hearing was postponed until after the evaluation, which must be completed by March 11.

The sophomore psychology major was released on a \$10,000 unsecured bond at a Jan. 28 hearing at which Sargent "noted on the record that she has some concerns as to [the] defendant's mental condition," court records show.

The FBI charges Hairston with "knowingly making materially false, fictitious and fraudulent statements and representations." Investigators say he phoned in the hoax on Jan. 23

to better his standing in an unrelated assault and battery case in which he's accused.

The fictitious report of a gunman shut down UVa-Wise for nearly two hours as several police agencies searched campus.

If convicted of the federal charge, Hairston could be fined and/or face up to five years in prison.

Federal officials have not publicly said why they've taken an interest in Hairston's case, other than noting in court records that it happened on a public college campus.

FBI spokeswoman Dee Rybiski declined to comment, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Ramseyer, the government's prosecutor in the case, did not return requests for comment.

Yenli Yeh, an associate professor of administration of justice and sociology at UVa-Wise, said the case highlights the seriousness of allegedly falsely reporting crimes, especially in this day and age.

"I have told students in my classes since [September 11, 2001], that false report incidents such as 'there is a bomb in downtown Wise,' 'there is a gunman in the dorm,' etc will bring you serious consequences," Yeh said. "People joke about certain things, but [falsely reporting a] crime is a crime instead of a joke."

Lecture series displays faculty research

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Two more lectures are scheduled this month as part of a series aiming to familiarize the campus community with research that faculty do outside of the classes they teach.

The Faculty Writing and Research Series, presented by the UVa-Wise Lecture Committee, features several professors in a variety of fields who are interested in talking about research or publications they've worked on recently.

"The theory behind it is basically that faculty members here teach a lot and that's how students know us and that's how we know each other," said Chris Scalla, assistant professor of English and chair of the lecture committee. "We know what everybody teaches; students know what we teach. But people

tend to know much less about what faculty members conduct their research on, what they write about, what they publish-- in other words, what their real specialties are."

Faculty members in tenure-track positions are expected to do research in their fields.

A semester of paid academic leave, called sabbatical, is available to faculty members who meet certain criteria and wish to conduct research or participate in professional development, according to the faculty handbook.

The Lecture Committee contacted faculty members who have recently been on sabbatical or written books and offered them the opportunity to share their work in a public lecture.

Three faculty members have already presented their research this semester.

Professor of Economics and Finance David Kendall began the *see Lectures, page 6*



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Associate Professor of Religion Witold Wolny gives a talk about his research into how variations of the multiverse theory affect religion on Feb. 20 in the Chapel as the second speaker in the 'The Faculty Writing and Research Series.'

Upcoming

► Spring Break

Spring break is from March 9 to 17. Residence halls will be closed for the duration.

► Brass & Grass

Musicians will play for St. Patrick's Day from 1 to 2 p.m. on March 20 in the Gilliam Center for the Arts lobby.

► Classes start

First-half semester classes end March 8 and second-half semester courses start on March 18.

► Reception

A Gallery 121 reception for the Jordan Sandidge Exhibit is March 21 at 6 p.m. in the Gilliam Center for the Arts.

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New career services director gives advice, resumé assistance



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Neva Bryan (right) assists senior psychology major Carol Hensler edit a resume to distribute to prospective employers.

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Program coordinator, movie critic and novelist are a few of the jobs Assistant Director of Career Services Neva Bryan held before she started at UVa-Wise on Jan. 11 -- jobs she credits for her arrival at the college.

"Essentially I think my background ... got me here because I've worked in many different areas, profit and nonprofit," Bryan said.

No matter the job or area, they've all had one thing in common -- writing.

"I've always ended up writing and communicating, whether it was just doing a simple newsletter, a grant, an annual report, graphic design or looking at my boss's letters to make sure they

didn't have any typos or grammatical errors," she said with a smile.

Writing and editing are just two things she believes make her a perfect candidate for her new job, especially when helping students with their resumes and cover letters. Career services can do much more than the basics, like helping students with applications, providing postgraduate job and testing information, and the opportunity to connect with professionals in their field of interest.

While these are many of the daily services, Bryan does have other long-term goals for her new department.

"One of the things I would like to do in this position ... is to work closely with the office of economic development to build a better relationship with local

and regional employers," Bryan said. "So that they know there is a good pool of potential employees here that are just waiting to be hired."

In addition, Bryan hopes to have more freshmen and sophomores coming through career services' doors, so that they know it's never too soon to start planning for their future.

Whether a student is a freshman or senior, she does have some timeless advice for all students to make it to their dream job: stay focused, network, and most importantly, do not burn bridges.

"It doesn't matter how miserable you are at your job, if you hate everybody you work with or you know you're made for bigger and better things keep a good relationship," she said. "I tell people see Bryan page 5

News Briefs

New pet policy

Animals on leashes are allowed on campus under a new policy recently approved by the chancellor.

Pets other than service animals were previously prohibited on campus, but the new rule allows pets to be walked outdoors so long as they are "appropriately leashed or caged and under the control of and accompanied by their owners."

Animals are still not allowed inside buildings, including residence halls, other than for educational purposes.

- Jordan Fifer

Graduating seniors can attend salute

Senior Salute, an event for graduating seniors, is scheduled for March 20 from 12 to 5 p.m. in Greear Gymnasium.

Students can confirm graduation eligibility, order announcements and class rings, pick up caps and gowns, register as alumni, and get information about the 2013 class gift.

- Jessica Shartouny

Register for career fair online

Registration for the March 20 career fair is available online through March 12 at uvawise.edu/studentdev/careerservices.

The event will take place in Greear Gymnasium from 12 to 3 p.m. and will feature employers such as Sykes, Mountain States Health Alliance, the U.S. Army and CGI, among many others, and several local graduate and professional school programs.

Career Services in Cantrell Hall can assist students with resumes, dress tips and interview practice to prepare for the fair. Contact the office at 276-376-1005 for assistance.

- Jessica Shartouny

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College explores day care possibility

The idea of starting a day care facility on campus is gaining support from faculty, staff and students.

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Students and employees may have noticed some recent buzz about the possibility of opening a day care on campus after an email survey went out across campus last month.

The survey, administered by Children's Creative Center Leam-

ing, was distributed on Feb. 15 via an email from Dean of Students Jewell Worley "to consider the feasibility of future child care facilities on or near the UVa-Wise campus," said the email.

The need for such a program was recently highlighted by Counselor Tabitha Smith, who began looking into the program after trying to find day care for her own child.

"I just thought 'why do we not have something here?'" she said. "We are higher education. We should have something where employees can find comfort in leaving their children."

Soon after beginning to look into the matter, Smith found she wasn't the first to see the need. Associate Professor of English Amy Clark saw the same difficulties in finding childcare that faces employees and students and had worked towards filling the need with former chancellor David Prior in 2008.

Clark said she is glad Smith is trying to make a day care on campus happen.

"I believe the need will always be here," Clark said. "Having affordable child care here on campus would reduce the number of absences for faculty, staff, and

students, increase productivity, reduce stress and anxiety and make a difference for children who can be here with their parents while enjoying the benefits of a college-sponsored child care facility."

Smith echoed Clark's sentiments, noting Wise's nontraditional students and student parents who could utilize a day care center.

Junior English major Laurie Adams is one of those student parents and can see the positives of a campus day care facility.

"There have been many occasions where my daughter's day care has been closed for holidays or snow, yet see Day care page 6

Grant offers new student research opportunities

UVa-Wise is participating in a new program that will allow students to work on undergraduate research projects with faculty members from other colleges.

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UVa-Wise is one of 11 colleges participating in a pilot program encouraging undergraduate research collaboration between students and faculty members from different schools.

The colleges, all members of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges, COPLAC, have been selected to receive the Teagle Foundation Grant, which allows a two-year project for "high impact" faculty-mentored undergraduate re-

search at the consortium level, said Dean of Academics Amelia Harris.

This program promises to increase the number of research projects available to Wise students and also the range of subjects a participating student could choose.

For example, UVa-Wise does not have an art historian or art history program, but through the program, a student could be mentored through an art history research project by a professor from a campus that is also participating in the program and has an art history program.

The student would communicate with the professor through email, Skype, phone or other means and they would work together on the student's topic of choice.

Projects can be designed around a number of different subjects, from communications to biology to history, but students wishing to

participate must have an intended project, a rough plan and have researched the topic before starting the program.

Several UVa-Wise faculty members are involved in the program and are available to mentor students from other colleges. Participating faculty include Endowed Chair of Chemistry Floyd Beckford, Assistant Professor of English Christopher Scalia, Associate Professor of English Gretchen Martin, Assistant Professor of History Donald Leech, Assistant Professor of English Amy Clark, and Assistant Professor of Biology Walter Smith.

The program opens up a new wave of opportunities for students, Smith said.

"Distance mentoring can be incredibly valuable to students at smaller institutions like UVa-Wise because it opens the door to a wider

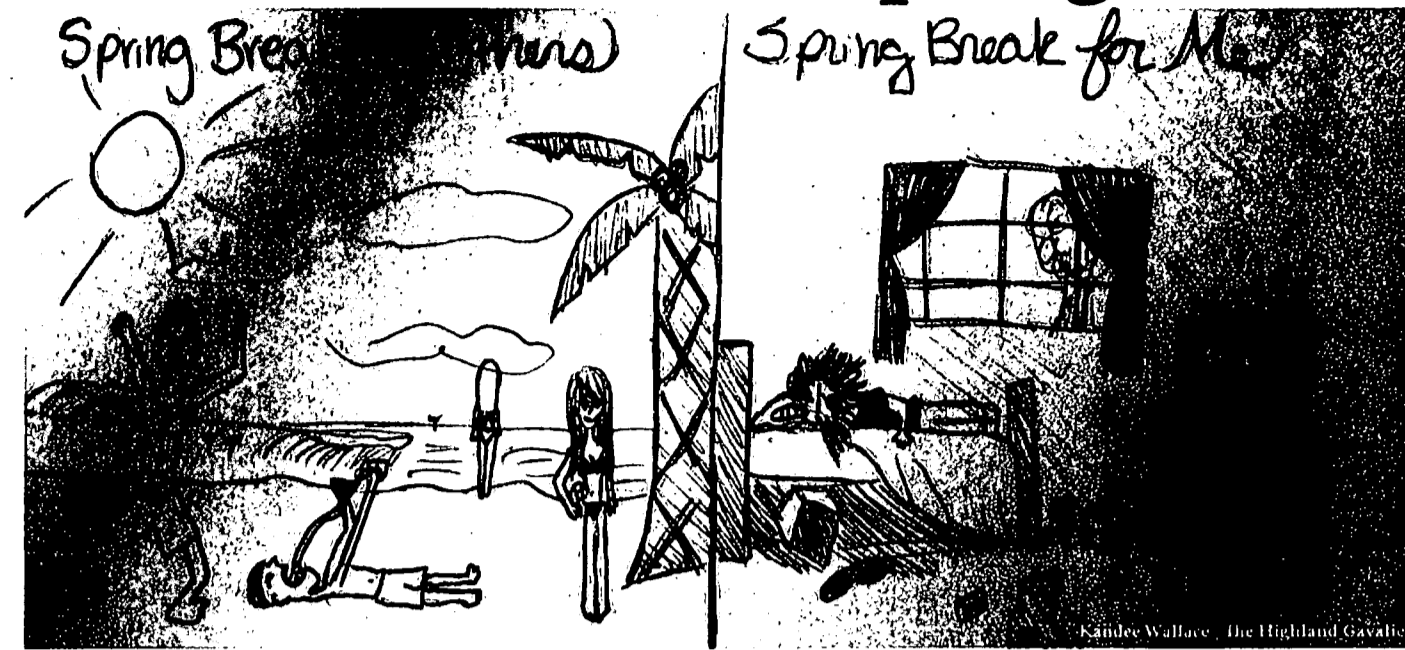
range of expertise that students can tap into for their respective projects," he said. "Rather than being constrained to the expertise of faculty members on their own campus, students can instead better cultivate projects that fit their own interests by reaching out to potential faculty mentors at partner institutions."

The program is open to all students, and particularly to those who are "interested, motivated and self-directed," said Harris.

Those interested will be matched with a professor in their field of research on another college campus and will begin research this summer or next semester, depending on their course plan.

Students who want more information or to apply for a project should email Harris at ajh7a@uvawise.edu with their major and ideas about research in which they would like to participate.

Word to the Wise: Spring Break



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Not just Black History, but American history

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As we have wrapped up another month of February, it reminds us that we have come to an end of another Black History Month.

When many think on the term "Black History Month," they tend to focus on the word "black."

Some folks may look at this month as Black Pride Month instead of remembering history.

Personally when I think of Black History Month, it is all still American History.

That is what gets lost in the translation.

Some misinformed souls may

claim racism, because the month embraces they accomplishments of individuals of a particular skin color.

Others may feel that this hurt race relations by focusing on aspects of oppression.

Either one of these claims could not be farther from the truth. Black History Month is not about focusing on the past.

It's about learning and embracing this great nation's gift of diversity.

Observing Black History Month, Women's History Month, Hispanic Heritage Months, along with any other, reaffirms the United States as the world's melting pot.

This month doesn't just focus

on civil rights of black Americans, but on any individual who has been discriminated against because their gender, sexual orientation, disability or religious beliefs.

Black History Month is a product of an open-minded society that looks at the worth a person from the inside and not the outward complexion.

This serves as a reminder to everyone who feels as if they are lost and have no hope.

Look to the individuals who were willing to make any sacrifice to just have a better quality of life.

Next year, embrace this month for its positives and not the negatives.

We have come a long way from

Dr. Carter G. Woodson's "Negro History Week" in 1926.

The social change and progress that is being made in this country is something to be proud of.

We can say that we will not let our negative past write the stories of a prospective future.

This month extends beyond the stereotypical and predictable plot lines of a Tyler Perry movie, it's a script that is being written right before our very eyes on how treat each other with the dignity and respect that they deserve.

It is accepting things that we deem different without understanding the situation.

Simply put, this is just another American History Month.

5 possible hazards during Spring Break

Compiled by Todd Galyean, News Editor

1. The police - "Hey, I have a C in Constitutional Law. I know my rights!"
2. Severe sunburn - "I'm a tomato."
3. Procrastination - "Really, who assigns spring break papers?"
4. False confidence - "Red Bull and Jager does not really give you wings."
5. St. Patrick's Day- "Kiss Me, I'm Irish' can get really awkward."

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We want your opinions.

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Take advantage of campus' activities

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How many times have you thought Wise is boring?

I can't tell you how often I hear students, both residential and commuter, complain that there's nothing to do in Wise and quite frankly, after five years of listening to the moaning and complaining, I'm sick and tired of people running their mouths when they're wrong.

Want some free stuff?
Want to watch a movie?
Want to play some sports without committing to the training and practices?

Want to eat free food?
All these things are available for you as a student.

And 99 percent of the time, they're absolutely free.

Yes, that's right ... no money coming from your wallet.

Well, directly anyway.

Ever take a look at the breakdown of where your money goes each semester?

You're paying money for these activities to happen in your student activities fee.

If you chose to pay more than \$4,000 a semester to not go to class but sit in your room and play video games online with someone you don't know, that's your problem.

Don't think you have a say in what happens on campus?
You're wrong again.

If you don't like the movie that's being shown or the program someone worked hard on, you have the right as a student to go to them and suggest better things.

The beauty of this is someone, somewhere, probably wants the same thing you do so you look like the hero for suggesting someone to try it on campus.

Can't seem to tear yourself away from your video controller but have an idea for something you want to see happen?

You can always send an email to the organization's president.

FYI, you can find that information on our school's website.

The next time you're bored, take a peek at the Highland Happenings sent out each morning or visit the campus calendar online.

Who knows, maybe you'll make some real friends.



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News Briefs

Housing sign-up to be March 26

The Housing Lottery for 2013-14 housing assignment selections will be held March 26 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Slemp Student Center atrium.

Students must bring a receipt from the Cashier's Office indicating their \$150 application fee has been paid or an approved deferment in addition to their student ID or a photo ID.

For more information students can contact the Office of Housing & Residence Life at 276-328-0214.

- Todd Galyean

Expedition Leader apps due today

Applications to be an Expedition Leader for the 2013 orientation are due today by 5 p.m. to the Office of Student Life in Cantrell. ELs are upperclassmen who participate in training in order to guide new students through the Expedition orientation program.

Contact Stephanie Shell or Jewell Worley in Cantrell Hall for more information or for an application.

- Jessica Shartouney

More people getting handgun permits

A record number of people in Wise County and Norton applied for concealed weapons permits last year, mirroring a trend across Virginia and the country.

Wise County Clerk of Circuit Court Jack Kennedy said his office issued 763 permits in 2012, compared to just 602 in 2011 and 572 in 2010.

"In the first two months of calendar year 2013, over 200 county and city citizens have either renewed or been approved [for] concealed handgun permits, setting up another record year, if the monthly average of issuance continues throughout the year," Kennedy said.

Gun sales have surged in recent months after a series of high-profile mass shootings, including the Dec. 19 slaying of 20 school children and eight adults in Newtown, Conn., according to The Associated Press. Both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Virginia State Police have reported record numbers of requests for background checks of potential gun purchasers.

- Jordan Fifer

Student radio show available

The recently-started student radio show, Relevant Review, is set to release its first episode today.

This week's show, which is available via a link on the UVa-Wise home page, features discussion about the pope stepping down, a mission to Mars, sports and student musician Corbin Hayslett, among others. Contact Robert Collins at rac7t@uvawise.edu for more information.

- Jessica Shartouney

SGA senate, executive board petitions now available

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Petitions are now available to students wanting to run for a position on SGA for the 2013-14 school year.

Following confirmation from the student body last spring, a change was implemented in SGA voting procedures allowing executive

Locks

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their student cards should automatically work with their respective residence hall's swipe system.

The new key card systems are being paid for by the Office of Housing and Residence Life and are expected to be installed within the next semester.

Residents who lose their stu-

dent ID can have a new one made at the post office for \$15, while students who lose their room key should report it to a RA, their community coordinator or the student life office so their room can be rekeyed.

Students who need to get into their building can continue to call

and wants students to know if they have any concerns or suggestions to tell their community coordinator or stop by the student life office in Cantrell Hall.

"We would love to hear from students if they can think of any ways to improve the new door policy," she said.

Female power subject of play



Megan Gray | The Highland Cavalier

(From left to right) Senior theatre major Harmony Tripp, freshman theater major Kelly Starnes and senior theatre major Caldin Stewart rehearse "Lysistrata" in the Gilliam Center for the Arts.

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Anyone who attends the theater department's upcoming sexually-charged performance of "Lysistrata" will surely never forget the experience.

"We have phallic objects," said senior theatre major Harmony Tripp.

Tripp is performing as Lysistrata, a woman who coordinates a sex-strike among her fellow females in an attempt to stop a war.

Senior political science major Pablo Alaves performs as Kinesias, whom he described as a horny, frustrated bulldog. Alaves said the play is interesting, and it's a nice social study of what would happen if all of the girlfriends stopped having sex.

Though "Lysistrata" was written to take place in Greece, Director and Teaching Fellow of Theater Arts Michael Hunt has altered the scenes to take place in 1920s post-World War I Weimar,

Germany. "Women were reassessing their roles because of the war," Hunt said. "It's about the emasculation of males after World War I and women's empowerment."

"Lysistrata" not only deals with the all of neglected men but shows that women are not immune to the power of desire either.

The set emulates an erotic German cabaret in which the actors in lingerie are encouraged to interact with the audience.

"They are just as much characters as we are," said senior theatre major Caldin Stewart, who plays Kalonika, one of Lysistrata's close friends.

"The play will also feature a prominent eight-foot-long 'multifunctional' penis, according to Hunt, which will fly on stage and be sung to.

Tiffany Anderson, the costume designer for the play, says this is "one of the funnest plays" she has ever designed for. Her costumes focus on feather boas,

corsets, and lingerie to set the scene for the risqué German cabaret.

Senior nursing major and prop designer Olivia Rowe agrees.

"It is very fun and witty," she said. "But also has underlying seriousness."

Props she has put together for the performance include the giant phallus as well as old candlestick telephones to give the play the post-World War I period feel.

Many of the performers agree that this is the most exciting play they will ever perform in.

With the sexy designs, audience participation, and erotic everything, it is at the very least memorable.

"I love this play. I think it's really empowering, especially the way we end it," said Tripp. "Just wait and see."

The play is scheduled to run from March 22 to March 30 in the Gilliam Center for Fine Arts' Black Box Theater.

New SGA VP appointed

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Junior Dakota Hill was appointed Student Government Association vice president last Friday, following Robert "Bo" Edean's Feb. 21 resignation from the office.

"My class, work, extracurricular activities and personal journeys have simply made it

too much for me to handle at this time," Edean said in his resignation letter.

Edean serves on the campus judicial board, is general manager of the CAV-TV television station, and works in media services, among other activities.

SGA President Phillip Blevins called Edean "an asset" to the group and the student body.

Hill, who served as sena-

tor-at-large, was nominated by Blevins and confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the senate.

He will be sworn in during the next SGA weekly meeting.

Blevins is accepting applications from students to fill the vacant senator-at-large position through today.

He will present his nomination of a candidate to the senate at the next SGA meeting, currently set for Friday.

Student plucks way onto bluegrass scene

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Self-taught multi-instrumental bluegrass musician Corbin Hayslett is working on finding a place to call his own in the regional music scene.

A freshman history major, Hayslett has quickly gotten involved musically and it is starting to pay off.

Since arriving in Wise, Corbin has joined the school's bluegrass ensemble, he's started a band, and is working on a solo banjo album.

The bluegrass ensemble is where Hayslett met Chris Rose (guitar) and J.P. Stallard (bass), and the three musicians formed the bluegrass trio Mis'ry Creek.

Despite only being a band for a little over a month, Mis'ry Creek is already scheduled to play the Bristol Rhythm and Roots festival on Sept. 21 and The Big Glades Community Square Aug. 24.

From an early age, music has been an important aspect of Hayslett's life.

His mother, a classically trained piano teacher, and his father, a singer and member of an acapella gospel quartet in college, created a rich musical environment that was the genesis of his passion for music.

His own musical life started

on Christmas in 2003 when he received his first banjo, and began learning his way around a fret board by attempting to play along with artists like Doc Watson, Mike Seeger and The Stanley Brothers.

"I was trying to learn everything I could get my hands on," Hayslett said.

Those artists that inspired Hayslett musically are the same ones that drew him to Southwest Virginia for college.

Musicians such as Dock Boggs, the Carter Family, and The Stanley Brothers all hail from Southwest Virginia and are major influences on Hayslett.

"It affected me before I ever came here," he said. "I would read and learn about people from this area. This part of the state was a dream place that one day I might be able to go to, and when I found out there was a college down here, I thought 'I gotta get down here.'"

When he's not picking or in school, Hayslett works at the Appomattox Courthouse informing tourists about the reinvention of the 5-string banjo, a job that was the muse for his solo banjo album, which consists of traditional Civil War-era tunes and is set to be released within the next week.

Most Tuesdays and Thursdays he volunteers both his time and musical ability at Lays Hardware in Coeburn, where he gives music les-

sons to elementary school students. With this all going on, it looks as though Hayslett has a bright future in the music industry.

He said his biggest dream was, of course, to become a professional bluegrass musician and one day play the Grand Ole Opry.

However, he says he has very realistic expectations about what he wants to get from his musical ability.

"Maybe a couple dollars in

the pocket, but mainly happiness, mainly just having fun with it because it's not something you're going to make a lot of money in," he said. "If I had said to myself at age ten 'I want to be rich by the time I'm thirty,' I would be in med school."

With a humble demeanor and a plethora of musical ability, Hayslett's goal of making his niche in the Southwest Virginia music scene is starting to come to fruition.



Corey Sanchez | The Highland Cavalier

Corbin Hayslett plays banjo during a rehearsal of the UVa-Wise Bluegrass Ensemble! Hayslett also plays in a band called Mis'ry Creek that he started with two other students.

Movie Review: 'Jack the Giant Slayer'



Photo courtesy of Warner Brothers

Nicholas Hoult plays Jack alongside Eleanor Tomlinson as Isabella in the recently-released film "Jack the Giant Slayer." Jack and Isabella find themselves on an unexpected adventure through the land of giants after a beanstalk shows that the legends were true.

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Hollywood's \$190 million interpretation of the classic tales of "Jack the Giant Killer" and "Jack and the Beanstalk" is an interesting affair.

The director, Bryan Singer ("Valkyrie"), produces a film that is uneven, though ultimately decent.

The story begins with the telling of how humans and giants waged a war that resulted in the giants being banished back to the sky, but the humans now think that this story is just a myth.

Jack, played by Nicholas Hoult ("Warm Bodies"), is a tenant farmer that longs for adventure and gets the opportunity when Princess Isabella, played by Eleanor Tomlinson ("Alice in Wonderland") is trapped and transported by a beanstalk into the land of the giants.

It's up to Jack, along with some knights, to rescue her.

This film has a hard time determining what tone it wants to take.

It will show a serious battle with giants and humans being burnt

to death, but then have a character act very campy.

Perhaps the best example of this is Roderick, played by Stanley Tucci ("The Lovely Bones"), who is evil and conniving, but acts silly.

This causes the audience to not take him seriously as a villain.

Hoult does a great job portraying a young man on the adventure of his life, and Hoult's career is certainly going to be one to watch.

Tomlinson is a convincing romantic compliment to Jack and fosters a lovely chemistry between the two.

The two best performances come from Ian McShane ("Deadwood"), as the king who must decide between his kingdom and his daughter, and Ewan McGregor ("Trainspotting"), as the dutiful knight who accompanies Jack to save the princess.

The major shortcoming is that, with such great talent and so much money involved, there should have been a far superior product.

But despite the flaws, the film certainly works and is a pleasurable adventure for the viewer.

Flag football to benefit kidneys

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Registration is being held this week for Phi Sigma Sigma's fourth annual Kicks 4 Kidneys tournament.

The tournament, to be played on March 23, was a soccer tournament in the past, but this year participants will be playing flag football in a move that organization members hope will help to drive up participation and funds raised.

All money that the event brings in will benefit Phi Sigma Sigma's national philanthropy, the National Kidney Foundation. According to the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation's website, funds donated to the NKF help "promote basic and clinical research, education, and recruitment for its organ donor program, assistance for kidney transplants, patient and family support groups, and public education about kidney disease."

Kicks 4 Kidneys is a regular event for other Phi Sigma Sigma chapters across the nation. The UVa-Wise chapter's participation in the event came after Wendy Adrian, chapter adviser and administrative and office specialist in the Department of Mathematics, visited a leadership conference a few

years back. "Other chapters were doing kickball tournaments," Adrian wrote in an email to The Highland Cavalier. "I was really excited about the idea so I came home and implemented it."

Teams for this year's tournament can consist of seven to 10 players with a registration fee of \$5 per player. Individuals are also able to sign up on a free agent list to be assigned to a new or existing team.

The tournament will be held on the intramural fields, with elimination dependent on registration numbers, and concessions will be available.

Sophomore biology major and Philanthropy Chair Helen Osborne said that though weather is a factor, the tournament will still be played unless it is just too unbearable, and she encourages students to sign up.

"This tournament is benefiting a good cause, you'll have fun, and if you win you get a trophy," she said. "It's just a chance to get involved in something positive."

Registration will be held today in the Slemp Student Center atrium, tomorrow in the Jefferson Lounge and Friday in the Smith Dining Commons. Students can also sign up online on the UVa-Wise Phi Sig Facebook page at facebook.com/PhiSigThetaRho.

Bryan

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all the time it's okay if you have to quit a job, but do not flame out when you leave."

Bryan suggests students can learn something from any professional in their field, advice she's gained from her own career.

"Most working professionals have made lots of mistakes and can speak from experience to say, 'this is a good idea for your career or that isn't,'" Bryan said.

But Bryan knows that people sometimes won't get that job, raise

or project. In face of rejection she tells to students to just accept it and move on.

"It pays to develop a thick skin and an understanding that rejection is a normal part of life," Bryan said. "If you can glean any wisdom... do so and continue moving toward your goal."

Students Interested in working with Career Services can visit the office on the lower level of Cantrell Hall or call 276-328-0126 to make an appointment.

Paper making is passion for Stratton

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Students who frequent the Gilliam Center for the Arts have probably seen a man pressing paper in the room at the top of the stairs.

Associate Professor in Art Ray Stratton has been making paper and prints for more than twenty years and for almost that long since starting to teach in Wise in 1998.

"I was an art major at Arizona State," Stratton said. "I took my first print class and didn't care for it. At most didn't take another."

Luckily, Stratton did and fell in love with the process of making paper and printing and earned his Masters at the Glasgow School of Art in Scotland in 1992.

"There's something about the process I love," said Stratton. "It's based on oil and water. Sometimes, even if you plan, you don't know how it's going to turn out until you try."

Stratton said one of his favorite

things about paper making is the structure.

"I stress to students once you get past the basics, it's very process oriented," he said.

Stratton makes his own paper and prints at the college.

While he said he doesn't do it just to sell, showing them is an added bonus.

"As an artist, you want your things to be seen. There aren't too many galleries around here anymore," Stratton said. "But I'm shown in the William King in Abingdon."

Stratton said he does his work in editions, which makes them unique.

"The goal in an edition is to make, say, ten. Those ten are the only ten that will look like that. If people like them, they'll buy them. Once they're gone, they're gone," Stratton said.

Stratton's enthusiasm and love for print-making can be seen to anyone who wanders upstairs in the Gilliam Center, where Stratton can often be found working in room



Emily Baxter | The Highland Cavalier
Associate Professor in Art Ray Stratton shows the process of making paper in the Gilliam Center for the Arts. Stratton has been making paper and prints for more than 20 years.

116. going to work until you try it." If you are interested in Stratton's work, go to raystratton.com or view his gallery on Facebook at Ray Stratton-Works on Paper.

Lectures

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series on Feb. 13 with a lecture called "The Morality of Capitalism," which was based on a book he is writing and is the title of an economics and honors class he is scheduled to teach in the fall.

"The Apocalypse Now: The Symbolic Multiverse and the End of the Biblical World View," was the title of a talk given by Associate Professor of Religion Witold Wolny on Feb. 20. Wolny spoke about research done during a sabbatical in 2011 on the implications of new social and scientific ideas on traditional biblical ideas.

Associate Professor of English Amy Clark recently edited a book on Appalachian language and spoke Feb. 27 on ideas presented in the book in a lecture titled "Talking Appalachian: Pride and Prejudice and Mountain Speech."

After spring break, the series is scheduled to resume in the Rhododendron Room on March 20 with a lecture given by Scalia about Walter Scott called "He Said, She Said: How the Visual Arts Shaped the Novel."

This semester's talks will conclude in the Chapel of All Faiths with a lecture by Wendy Welch, an adjunct faculty member, on "Community Consumerism, and a Sense of Humor: How having a business plan can ruin your life."

Welch recently published a memoir about Tales of the Lone

some Pine, a bookstore that she owns, called "The Little Bookstore of Big Stone Gap."

Scalia encourages students to attend the talks, which can be used as cultural credits.

"It's a great way for students to learn more about the possibilities of academic research and is especially great for students who are interested in pursuing graduate school to find out what sort of opportunities there are for professors even at a small teaching institution like this," he said.

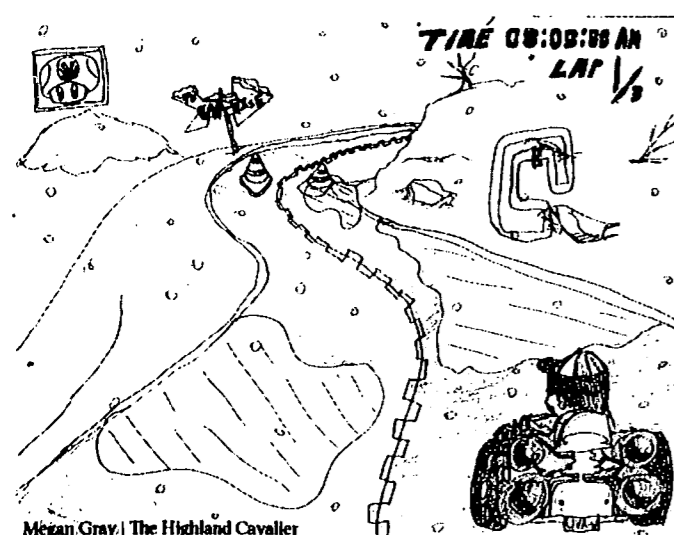
The Lecture Committee is hosting speaker Temple Grandin in September as part of the Colgate Darden Lecture Series, but plans to continue the faculty research lectures afterward with a new group of speakers, said Scalia.

He said that he hopes that some research from the natural sciences faculty will be included.

Any faculty member interested in participating in future lectures can contact Scalia for more information.

"There needed to be more awareness, both among faculty members and students about what faculty members did," Scalia said. "People here are doing really interesting research and the stereotype is that that doesn't really happen at a small school like this. I think this series kind of shows that's not the case."

You've chosen to play the Tacoma Mountain course!



Megan Gray | The Highland Cavalier



Ask Miss Cindy

An advice column by Cindy Greene, our own cafeteria cashier

Dear Miss Cindy,

Why are you so good to me? Sincerely, Me

Cindy was right. I'm speaking from experience. Your future is bright for happiness and love. Be patient. Choose wisely. - Miss Cindy

Dear Me,

Being good to people comes naturally to me. It makes for a better life if you have a "sunny" disposition.

Spread sunshine

wherever you go and even the gloomiest of situations won't seem so bad! - Miss Cindy

Dear Miss Cindy,

Do you think some people were meant to be... forever alone? - Forever Alone

Miss Cindy, How do you know what love is? - Anonymous

Dear Anonymous, I'll give you my philosophy on what love is. Love is very patient and kind, never jealous or envious, never boastful and proud, never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will hardly ever notice when others do it wrong.

It is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever truth wins out. If you love someone you will be loyal to him (or her) no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him (or her), always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground defending him. I hope I've helped you. Keep on loving because, after all, "love never fails."

Dear Forever Alone,

The answer is no. Again, it's about choices.

I have a sister who is alone. She chooses to be alone and loves being alone.

I'm the opposite. I don't want to be alone for the rest of my life.

My sister has no husband, no children, no grandchildren -- only two cats! She likes it that way and she chooses when she wants company and friends.

I have a husband, six children, 12 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. I have to choose my alone time.

There is someone out there for you. Someday you will fall in love, get married and have a family. When that happens you'll probably crave some alone time and think back on this day and say "Miss

Day care

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the college is still open," Adams said. "Sometimes it is difficult to find a backup, and there have been times that I've had to miss class due to lack of childcare."

SGA unanimously passed a resolution on Feb. 8 supporting a day care, citing need, benefits to education, and the potential of the day care to be used by the Department of Education as a learning program.

However, Smith said finding support hasn't really been the issue. Right now they are just trying to pinpoint the need and then locate funding.

"Hopefully when the survey is sent out we will be able to have more feedback from the community," she said.

The deadline for response to the survey was Friday.

Cavs send seniors off with win

The UVa-Wise women's basketball team finished the final Mid-South game with a win on senior night.

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The UVa-Wise women's basketball team sent six seniors out in style in the last home game of their career and the last Mid-South Conference game the women's program played this season, against rival the University of Pikeville Bears on Feb. 25.

On Feb. 25, Head Coach Kristin Kunzman played five seniors - Chelsea Cluesman, Charlotte Reasor, Jaydee Brewer, Christine Nyobe, and Cassie Kirby - against the University of Pikeville Bears.

Senior Hannah Powers was unable to suit up for the Cavs after a concussion last season put her on the bench.

The Bears jumped out to a hot start leading the Cavs 9-2 at the 16:23 mark in the first half.

The Cavs used baskets by Cluesman, Reasor, and freshman guard Makenzie Cluesman to gain a 19-15 lead with 9:15 remaining until halftime.

A layup by Reasor built the Cavs' lead to 29-21 with 4:19 left in the first half, but Pikeville battled back as junior guard Brogan Conley hit a 3-pointer for the Bears and both teams went into halftime tied at 29 apiece.

At halftime, Bears junior guard Callisha Johnson led all scorers with 15

points. The Cavs were led by Makenzie Cluesman and Nyobe with seven points each.

The Bears came out of halftime ready to play, and they jumped out to a seven-point lead on the Cavs with 17:16 left in the game.

Coach Kunzman's squad didn't seem to panic, however, as a jumper by Chelsea Cluesman and a 3-pointer by sophomore guard Kenzie Poindexter cut the Bears lead down to two points at 38-36 with 16 minutes left in the game.

Both teams exchanged leads several times for the next few minutes, but a basket by Cluesman with 10:14 left gave the Cavs the lead for good.

Two free throws by Reasor with 1:05 left in the game extended the Cavs' lead to 14, their largest of the game.

As time expired and the Cavs celebrated a 71-59 win over the rival Bears, it seemed one moment outshined them all.

With 23 seconds left on the clock, Chelsea Cluesman was the only senior left on the floor and the horn sounded for a substitution.

It was Cluesman's younger sister Makenzie coming to replace her.

They shared a hug as Chelsea Cluesman left the court.

"I was just speechless at that moment," said Chelsea Cluesman. "When she came out to get me, that's when I lost it."

In her final home game, Cluesman led all scorers with 24 points and 11



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Senior Chelsea Cluesman (35) and sophomore Kenzie Poindexter celebrate with senior Charlotte Reasor (10) after she made a huge 3-pointer in the Feb. 25 matchup with the Bears.

rebounds.

"I had a lot of good memories with some ups and downs," said Cluesman. "All and all it was just a good four years."

Fellow senior Nyobe finished with double-double as well, with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

Reasor contributed with 13 points in her final game.

"Reasor had a phenom-

enal senior season," said Kunzman. "She was a huge three point threat and grabbed big rebounds."

The Bears were paced by Johnson with 23 points and Conley with 13 points.

The Cavs would finish the season with an overall record of 8-21 and a Conference record of 5-15, which was not enough to earn a spot in tournament.

Softball starts with a hot streak

The UVa-Wise softball team is off to a hot start on the season, beginning with a record of 8-3.

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The Highland Cavalier softball team has jumped out of the gates firing on all cylinders, recording an impressive 6-1 record to open the 2013 season.

The Cavs opened the season at home on Feb. 10 against The University of Charleston.

In game one, UVa-Wise edged out the Golden Eagles in a battle of tug of war.

The bats of junior Kristina Romualdo and freshman Christina Ziemba, combined for five hits and four runs, en route to the come-from-behind victory.

In game two, the Cavaliers began to not only battle the Golden Eagles, but the elements as well

when it began raining. The game was suspended in the top of the fourth with Charleston leading 13-9 and will be completed when the Cavs travel to the capital city of West Virginia on March 24.

Head Coach Karen Bitter's squad continued its winning ways when they visited Milligan College on Feb. 14.

Starting pitcher junior Rachel Hawks threw a gem in the double-header's first set, pitching a complete game while allowing one run for a 7-1 victory.

Offensively, four RBI from the duo of junior Megan Dillon and freshman Rachel Fisher aided the Cavs.

In game two of the Milligan frame, freshman pitcher Kellie Waycaster recorded her first win and shut-out in a Cavalier uniform in a mercy-rule-shortened game 11-0. UVa-Wise racked up 10 hits in the win, with junior Charity Lawson leading the charge with three runs.

On Feb. 23, the Cavs traveled to the University of Pikeville, the first Mid-South Conference tilt of the year. In the first part of the twin bill, UVa-Wise took a 2-0 lead into the bottom of the seventh inning, but things began to unravel and the team surrendered three runs to lose 3-2 in the final frame.

The Cavaliers struck back with a vengeance in the second set. The bats woke up and paved the way for a 12-6 victory, as the team scored in all but one inning at bat.

Lawson went 4 of 5 from the plate, while junior Allyssa Zebrowski collected three hits, scoring four runs.

UVa-Wise returned home on Feb 24 to battle Salem International University. In game one, Hawks had another strong play, as she recorded her first shout out of the season.

The game ended due to the mercy rule after Zebrowski went long-yard for the first time this season. The Cavs blanked the visitors

9-0. The second game was much of the same for UVa-Wise, as the team worked up a 8-1 victory. Waycaster allowed one run on six hits, as the offense marked up 10 hits.

On Feb 28 the team returned to Mid-South action in Lebanon, Tenn., to battle Cumberland University.

The Cavaliers posted a clean sweep of the Bulldogs. In game one, UVa-Wise scored a combination of three in the final two frames to outlast the home team 5-3. Fischer collected three hits in the effort.

Game two saw an offensive explosion, as the Cav, led by a seven-RBI day from Dillon destroyed Cumberland 14-3.

March 3 saw the Cavs fall to Limestone College 4-1 and Queens University of Charlotte 7-5 in Spartanburg S.C.

The 8-3 softball team returns to action on March 10 against Virginia Interment College at home on Cavalier Field.

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is unable to advance to any NCAA championships until the candidacy period is finished.

The Cavs will be able to participate in the MEC tournament during those two academic years and, theoretically, can win a conference championship, but be ineligible to advance to the NCAA tournament.

With the conference tournament being based primarily in the Charleston, W.Va. area, the Cavs will have a shorter travel time to championships versus the Mid-South Conference in Kentucky.

"Charleston has a lot of great facilities," said Sterling. "My guess is quite of few of them will be played in Charleston. I do think given the facilities that some of the members have in the Mountain East, that there is potential to have things on campus."

Sterling acknowledges the poss-

ibility that Wise could host a future basketball or volleyball conference championship at the David J. Prior Convocation Center.

"We are going to definitely see that through," he said. "We are looking at the options."

Once UVa-Wise becomes an NCAA Division II member, the opportunity may arise for the Cavs to take on NCAA Division I teams such as The University of Virginia's main campus.

"I would never rule it out and we would love to try it," said Sterling. "It's more likely to be one of the olympic sports and it's definitely much more realistic now that we are in the NCAA."

The Cavs will face off against their first Mountain East opponent in football on Sept. 7 against West Virginia Wesleyan in Buckhannon, W.Va.

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the eighth seed on Mar. 1, set to take on the No. 1 seed in the tournament - the Lindsey Wilson College Blue Raiders.

In the first half, the Cavs jumped out to a 25-17 lead over the Blue Raiders on a 3-pointer by junior James Turner with 8:14 left to play in the first half.

The Blue Raiders battled back and junior center Milton Watts hit a buzzer-beater to send the Blue Raiders into halftime leading the Cavs 33-31.

Freshman forward Matt Day led the Cavs and all scorers with 11 first-half points.

For the second game in a row, the Cavs came sluggishly to the second half. The Blue Raiders jumped out on a 15-4 run to extend the lead to 48-35 with 12 minutes left to play. Smith hit a 3-pointer for the Cavs to bring the lead down

to 48-38 after the Blue Raiders' run, but the Cavs couldn't get any closer.

The Cavs dropped an 85-62 decision in the first round matchup.

The Blue Raiders outscored the Cavs 52-31 in the second half and that was highlighted by the Blue Raiders' 43-22 advantage over the Cavs on rebounds.

Smith and Boyce finished with 14 points each for the Cavs. Day finished with 13, despite scoring just two points in the second half. Wright scored nine points in his final collegiate basketball game.

Bridges led the Blue Raiders with 16 points off the bench.

This will be the final time the Cavs will have to travel to Frankfort for the Conference tournament, since UVa-Wise will be competing at the NCAA Division II level next season.

Men wrap up Mid-South tour

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Junior forward Deon Boyce (23) goes for a layup against the University of Pikeville Bears on Feb. 25. The Govs lost 85-48 to the Bears.

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The UVa-Wise men's basketball team faced some stiff competition during their senior night on Feb. 25 as they took on the No. 12 team in the country - rival The University of Pikeville Bears.

The first half was back-and-forth, but with two free throws by Junior guard Darius Smti, the Cavs took a 20-12 lead over the Bears with 8:28 left in the first half.

Sophomore guard Iyer Maggard hit timely three pointers to tie the game.

The Bears battled back, but two free throws by senior forward Jermaine Wright tied the game up for the sixth time at 29 apiece with 26

seconds left in the first half, but junior guard P.J. Jenkins hit a jumper as time expired to give the Bears a 31-30 lead over the Cavs going into halftime.

Maggard led all scorers at halftime with 12 first-half points on a perfect three-for-three by the three point line. Junior forward Deon Boyce scored six points and grabbed 11 rebounds in the first half for the Cavs.

Senior center Terrance Saintil led the Bears with 11 points at the break.

The Cavs were able to hold back the Bears' main scorers, senior guards Jamar Briscoe and Ivey Setty, to a combined nine first-half points, but Briscoe and Setty came out to play in the second half.

The Bears went on a 12-0 run

to jump out to a 43-30 lead with 16:19 left to play.

"I thought our guys put up a heck of a battle in the first half," said Head Coach Lee Clark. "We just totally ran dry after the second half."

After falling 13 points early in the second half, the Cavs just couldn't find an answer for the Bears' hot shooting, and they chopped an 85-48 decision to the rival Bears.

The Bears connected on 10 of 16 shots behind the 3-point line as they outscored the Cavs 54-18 in the second half.

"I draught the fans helped us play on adrenaline in the first half," said Clark. "I was afraid we would hit that wall because we were short-handed and we did when they start-

ed hitting those threes."

Maggard led the Cavs with 12 points and Boyce finished with nine points and 16 rebounds. Wright finished with six points and seven rebounds and senior forward Toon Watson finished with four points in their final home game.

Setty led the Bears with 22 points.

"We just haven't had time to let our legs rest because of the road trip," said Clark. "It's a whole lot easier to play in that situation when you're ahead than behind."

The Cavs finished the regular season with an overall record of 11-14 and 7-13 in Conference play.

Even with the loss, the Cavs still earned a trip to Frankfort, Ky., for the Mid-South Conference Tournament as [see Manpage 7](#)

So long, NAIA... Hello, NCAA

The UVa-Wise Cavaliers are set to join the NCAA next fall as part of a recently-approved conference.

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UVa-Wise received more good news on Feb. 15 about the transition to the NCAA Division II ranks when the Mountain East Conference announced that it had been approved by NCAA officials to become a Division II member.

The MEC will officially become the 25th NCAA Division II member on Sept. 1, 2013.

"This is a very exciting time for the Mountain East Conference and our 12 charter institutions," MEC Commissioner Reid Amos said in a press release. "Every one of our schools has great history, great tradition and now a great future as an MEC member, it has been an exhilarating experience to be a part of the formation of a group of like-minded institutions that has laid a strong foundation for a long and successful association."

Athletic Director Danny Sterling is excited about the progress toward the Cavs' transition to NCAA.

"This is a huge step for the college," said Sterling. "It's a great

travel situation for us."

Traveling was a major question raised by school officials and faculty members while the college was still deliberating on changing conferences.

The 12 charter members for the MEC will include nine West Virginia institutions - Concord University, Fairmont State University, Glenville State College, Shepherd University, The University of Charleston, West Liberty University, West Virginia State University, Wheeling Jesuit University and West Virginia Wesleyan College - as well as Ohio schools Notre Dame College and Urtiana University and UVa-Wise.

According to Sterling, travel distance will vary for each sport.

"For football, it's tremendously shorter," said Sterling. "The longest trip will be seven hours as opposed to nearly 14 hours in the Mid-South."

Scheduling may be set up so that the Cavs would play the schools closest to Wise in a home/away series and the farthest schools in a home or away match-up.

Something that will also change with the move to NCAA will be that all football games will be played during the day, with some

exceptions made for night games. Men's and women's basketball will still play on the same night versus playing on different nights as some NCAA members do.

Professors might be happy to hear that most of the games have been scheduled near the weekends, which will result in less missed classes.

The MEC will offer 16 different men's and women's sports: baseball, football, softball, volleyball, men's and women's basketball, cross-country, golf, soccer, tennis and track and field.

UVa-Wise doesn't field a soccer or track and field team, but is pursuing women's lacrosse to add another women's sport.

"Once we get women's lacrosse up and running, we will then evaluate where we are about adding another sport," Sterling said.

The MEC currently doesn't offer a conference championship in lacrosse.

According to Sterling, the addition of that sport was chosen because it can be played on the football field with very little adjustment.

"Anything we add beyond lacrosse would require some pretty extensive facility upgrades or an

entirely new facility," he said.

UVa-Wise will have to wait until Sept. 1, 2015 to use any NCAA insignia on their facilities and merchandise since there is a two-year candidacy period. Starting this fall, the Cavs will be in the first year of NCAA candidacy, but won't technically be an official NCAA member until those candidacy years are completed.

"If you don't progress, you have to repeat the year over," said Sterling. "We have been aggressive in making sure we don't encounter that."

According to a press release by the Mountain East Conference, the MEC conference champions won't be able to receive automatic NCAA tournament bids during the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 seasons. At-large bids to the NCAA championships play will, however, be unaffected during those two years.

"A highly-competitive conference supports the high-quality experience that we are committed to creating for every one of our student-athletes," Amos said in the press release. "Ultimately, we expect our new affiliation will create increased opportunities for NCAA tournament participation in every one of our 16 NCAA Championship sports."

The wait period for tournament bids won't affect the Cavs, as the college [see HCAA page?](#)