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Safe Zone opened to fraternity

MICHELLE STARK
lifestyles staff writer

A service fraternity at Tech is making a concentrated effort to reach out to the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) community by working with Safe Zone.

Safe Zone is a national program originally designed to help university faculty, staff and administration learn how to communicate with and understand LGBTQ students, but now the program has started working with Delta Psi Nu.

The co-ed service fraternity volunteered to participate in an exclusive Safe Zone session on March 30 in Squires Student Center, the first student-focused session Safe Zone has held at Tech.

Danny Mathews, the Safe Zone coordinator, said that the program offers tremendous advantages to the university community.

"The thought behind the program as it stands is that it's intended to build an awareness and knowledge base that will hopefully equip people who will become Safe Zone certified with the skills they need to interact with LGBTQ-identifying people," Mathews said.

Safe Zone currently focuses on equipping faculty and staff with information they need to directly assist or recommend on-campus resources to students that identify with LGBTQ, but Mathews said he wants Safe Zone to be open to students.

He said it can help them stand up and be courageous leaders and influence their peers to do the same.

Maggie McVicar, a senior communication major and the president of Delta Psi Nu, said it is important to learn more about Safe Zone's message and how it can be applied to their organization.

"We pride ourselves in being a very open organization and being really inclusive of a lot of people," McVicar said.

Mathews and Zack Fry — a senior sociology major and brother of Delta Psi Nu — led Safe Zone 101, the first session any Safe Zone participant must take and is the one the fraternity took part in. Fry is also the Pride Week Chair for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Alliance of Virginia Tech.

The session started off with reviewing a glossary of LGBTQ vocabulary.

"A lot of times, people struggle to have a conversation around LGBTQ issues, because they don't have the language," Mathews said. "I think it's really important to equip people with the necessary language, so that we can start having these conversations."

Mathews and Fry defined several terms from the glossary, such as cisgender, which is a person whose gender identity matches his or her sex, and passing, a

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BEN WEIDLICH / SPSS

Safe Zone certified faculty mark their office with a sticker to notify students.

Burger '37 has grand opening

BY ZACK WAJSGRAS | news reporter

Students waited in long lines to try the highly anticipated burger and milkshake joint in Squires Student Center.



CHEN JIANG/ SPSS

Burger '37, the newest addition to Virginia Tech's dining halls, opened yesterday in Squires Student Center.

Burger '37, a \$501,000 investment, has been under construction since October 2013. However, the concept for the restaurant has been in the works for almost four years.

Tech's administration first decided to build

the restaurant after hearing from over 3,000 students surveyed about their dining preferences.

The National Association of College and University Food Services conducted the survey and discovered that all participants had an interest in a burger option.

Ted Faulkner, the director of Dining

Services at Tech, described the new shop as "one of the most highly anticipated concepts to roll out of Dining Services in the past decade."

The opening yesterday resulted in extremely long lines even before the official opening had commenced at 10:30 a.m.

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Position battles abound spring practice

JAMES MITCHELL
sports reporter



FILE 2013

James Gayle (99) pushes through the blocking sled during last year's spring practice.

The Virginia Tech football team geared up for the start of spring practice Thursday and is searching for answers as the 2014 season approaches.

There is one big question on everybody's mind: who will be the starting quarterback?

The departure of former Tech quarterback and total offense record holder Logan Thomas leaves big shoes for the Hokies to fill.

As of now, fifth-year senior Mark Leal is listed as the number one quarterback on the depth chart for spring. Behind Leal sits redshirt sophomore Brenden Motley and true freshman Andrew Ford, who enrolled early.

But the quarterback competition will heat up even more in

the fall when Texas Tech transfer Michael Brewer and true freshman Chris Durkin arrive. All eyes will be under center, as all five candidates will try to impress the coach staff and win the starting job.

Head coach Frank Beamer has repeatedly said that Leal's performance in the Hyundai Sun Bowl versus UCLA doesn't reflect how good of a quarterback he is, and that he is still the number one guy for the job.

Another position to watch is running back.

Redshirt sophomore Trey Edmunds will miss spring practice as he recovers from a broken right tibia, which means that J.C. Coleman is number one on the depth chart and will receive the bulk

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Israeli fellow, Ukraine native answers questions

CHARLOTTE GROSS
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Confusion is rampant in the homeland of Virginia Tech faculty member Ivan Goncharenko.

Goncharenko is the Jewish Agency Israel Fellow to Hillel at Virginia Tech, but his Ukrainian roots have made him a prime source of information for students concerned about the recent developments in the Crimean Peninsula.

"I go to Ivan for history," said Elizabeth Wisgerhof, a junior biology major and vice president of Hillel. "I asked him what caused the different Ukrainian factions to behave the way they did."

Wisgerhof also said that Goncharenko is the go-to guy for information about events in the Middle East and anything political.

Goncharenko graduated from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem with a combined degree in religion and politics and Middle Eastern studies.

He migrated to Israel when he was 11 years old, and his parents taught him to be fluent in Russian, Ukrainian and Hebrew.

Having gained military experience, a degree focusing on political and cultural spectrum and a command of a variety of languages, Goncharenko is able to provide insight into the perspectives of both Russia and Ukraine, both

a privilege and rarity at this time. "People ask me if I think that Ukraine should be part of the European Union or a part of Russia, and also about the Russian minority in the Ukraine," Goncharenko said.

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Elizabeth Wisgerhof
Vice President of Hillel

He said there is no such decision

to be made, as the EU has never made an offer of membership to the Ukraine. Goncharenko emphasized the complexity of the situation.

"Crimea has been part of Russia. It was only in 1954 that the Soviet Union transferred it back to Ukraine," Goncharenko said. "It wasn't such a long time ago that it was Russian."

Goncharenko's extensive knowledge of these topics may be what drives students to ask for his opinion, but his personal history plays a major role in how he connects with and helps students year-round.

His Israeli education consisted of high school followed by com

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NEWS

SGA election results were announced yesterday. Find out who won.
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Spring has finally arrived in Blacksburg! Will it stay?
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SGA winners announced

EMILY HUGHES
news staff writer

The reign of Elizabeth Lazor and Tanushri "Tuna" Shankar will begin in 2014, as the two were voted next year's president and vice president of the Student Government Association (SGA) respectively.

The two won their positions with a paperless campaign and aim to make the organization an open forum by focusing on student outreach.

"Out of the 1,220 votes cast for president and vice president, Elizabeth Lazor received 56.2 percent of the vote and Alex Yang received 41.1 percent," SGA Chief Justice Johnson Bray wrote in an email.

Junior finance major Lazor and sophomore communication major Shankar relied

heavily on social media in their campaign, which was themed in keeping with the first day of campaigning — St. Patrick's Day.

"In honor of St. Patrick's Day, we decided to 'Go Green,' and we ran a completely paperless campaign, which was useful for us because we didn't want to... spend money and time creating these things that people were going to spit their gum into," Shankar said. "We wanted to really create something that was lasting, like a picture on Facebook that you couldn't just delete."

During their campaign, Lazor and Shankar carried a large orange megaphone around Turner Place, incorporating it into photos with students, who then uploaded them to social media sites. Following the announcement of election

results on Monday morning, the duo has been reaching out to those who posted supportive and congratulatory messages on Facebook and Twitter.

Lazor and Shankar will assume their roles following an inaugural ceremony on April 28.

"The transition period is about a month and a half long," Shankar said, noting that current position-holders within the SGA will be collaborating with their newly elected and appointed counterparts in April and May.

Shankar estimates there are 150 active members in the SGA right now.

"Technically in the (SGA) Constitution right now, it says that any Virginia Tech undergraduate that pays a student activities fee is a member of SGA," Shankar said.

Lazor pointed out that the student activities fee is included in all students' tuition, technically making all full-time undergraduates members of SGA.

"That's really what our campaign was based off of — to let people know that SGA is here for them," Shankar said. "You don't have to hold a position with a title to be part of SGA."

They have begun preparing to send out applications for appointed executive positions, which include chief of staff, secretary and treasurer, among others.

Voting opened online on Gobbler Connect on March 26 and ran through March 28. The winners of the presidential run were posted via Facebook on the Virginia Tech Student Government Association page.



JAMES MORROW
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Spring-like conditions have finally emerged after winter's last stand this past weekend.

Skies have dried, with a warm sun dominating the beginning of the week. Spring showers will move in toward the end of the week, with high temperatures not expected to fall below 60 degrees in the foreseeable future.

High pressure is in complete control over the next few days, allowing for beautifully sunny skies and warm conditions. High temperatures will break into the 70s this afternoon and will reach 75 by Wednesday.

Things remain clear and dry into Thursday, as an approaching weather system brings another round of soaking rain.

Rain showers will move in Thursday afternoon and continue into Friday as a cold front marches through the region. The heavier rain will arrive Friday afternoon, but should not include too much thunder. Things will clear rapidly behind the front, allowing for a cooler but sunny weekend.

Enjoy the next few days of beautiful weather. It doesn't get much better than this in Blacksburg.



JAMES MORROW
James Morrow is CT's news weather correspondent. He is a senior Meteorology major and a Hokie Storm Chaser. He currently serves as the Meteorology Club President and is the Chief Meteorologist at WUVT 90.7 FM Blacksburg.

Correction

An article that ran in the Collegiate Times on March 28 contained misstatements. *Take Back the Night*, which originated in Germany, has been held on Virginia college campuses only at the schools listed. The event occurs each March, which is recognized internationally as Women's History Month.

Additionally, an article that ran on the same date misidentified Cafe De Bangkok owner Aivey Charoensombut-amom as expecting a child. She is not.

The Collegiate Times regrets these errors and any confusion they might have caused.

Burger: Students were 'patient'

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The atmosphere at the opening, was "patient but excited," Faulkner said.

"When the 11 a.m. time frame hit and classes let out we witnessed a tremendous rush to get in line and be a part of this first day of operation," he said.

Many of the burger recipes and food ideas for the restaurant came after a group of dining services employees from Tech visited several Washington D.C. and northern Virginia restaurants.

Students, while waiting in long lines due to the rush, enjoyed several of the restaurant menu items, particularly their milkshakes.

Sarah Benson, a freshman human development major, ate at Burger 37

during the lunch rush on Monday.

"I got the chocolate milkshake, but my friend got the banana peanut butter one," Benson said. "I also really liked their special sauce — that was something unique."

The restaurant offers several specialty burgers and even the option to customize your own sandwich.

"I got the customizable one because I like plain things so I only got lettuce, cheese and their special sauce. But they also have specialty ingredients that looked really good but cost extra," Benson said. "My burger was really good though, I definitely want to go back again."



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Burger 37 employees prepare for the long line of students.

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Mar. 8, 2014	11:15 p.m.	Underage Possession of Alcohol X 2	West Eggleston Hal	Inactive: Reported by Student Conduct
Mar. 17, 2014	12:00 a.m.	Underage Possession of Alcohol X 2	Lee Hall	Inactive: Reported by Student Conduct
Mar. 24, 2014	7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Follow - up to Larceny of iPad	Cassell Coliseum	Unfounded
Mar. 28, 2014	9:30 - 10:15 a.m.	Larceny of cell phone	Cassell Coliseum	Active
Mar. 28, 2014	2:09 p.m.	Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia	West Eggleston Hall	Cleared by Arrest
Mar. 28, 2014	10:09 p.m.	Underage Possession of Alcohol X 7	Slusher Hall	Inactive: Referred to Student Conduct
Mar. 29, 2014	12:36 a.m.	Underage Possession of Alcohol	Vawter Hall	Inactive: Referred to Student Conduct
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Free speech must remain considerate

The Center for Bio-Ethical Reform's anti-abortion display last week has sparked plenty of debate among students and faculty. While the display was undoubtedly divisive, it has also facilitated a discussion about free speech that should not be ignored.

We highly value and remain deeply committed to our First Amendment right to free speech. We believe unequivocally that free speech is a right that should be extended to and defended by all.

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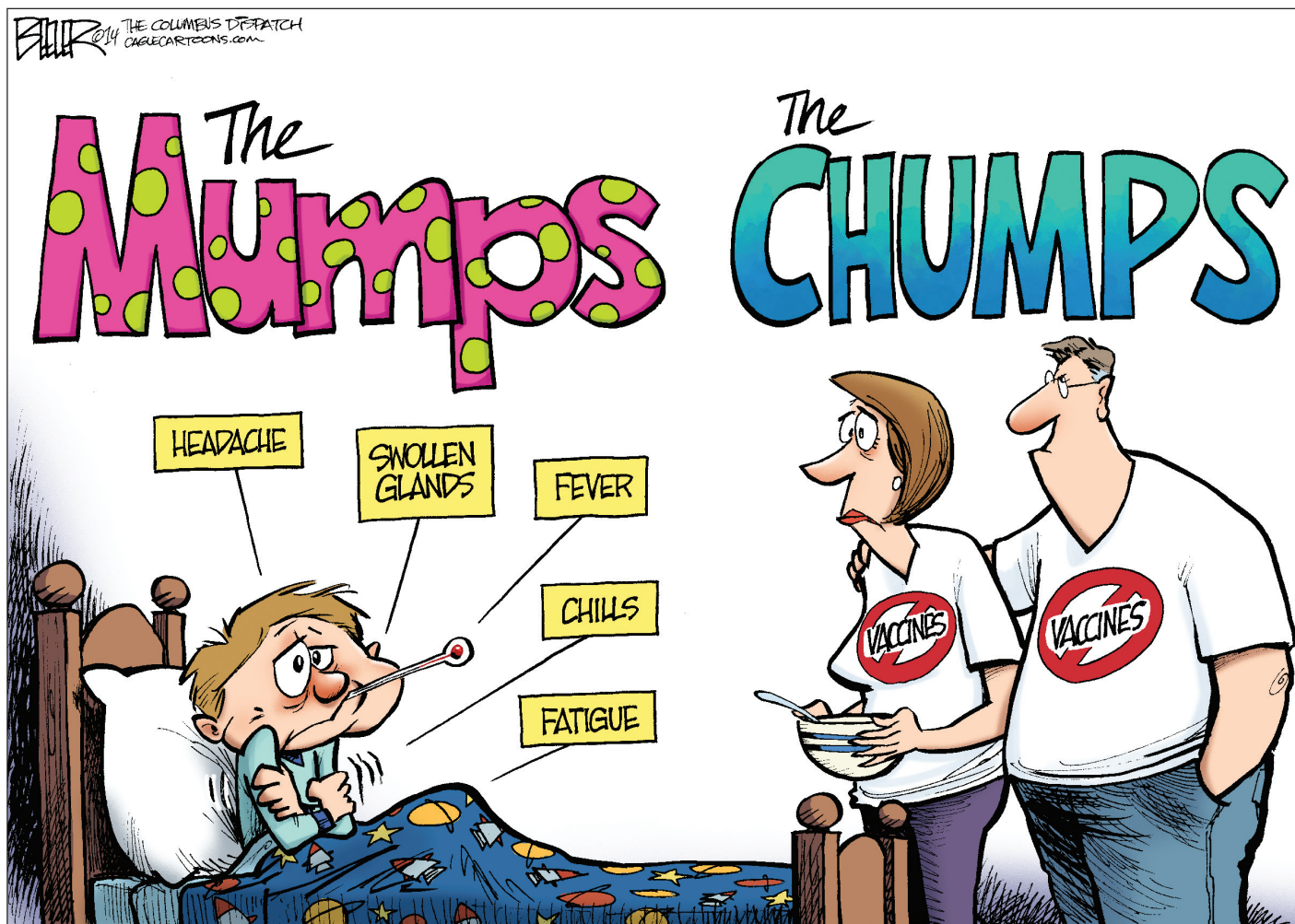
However, we at the Collegiate Times also recognize the responsibility that comes with the practice of that right. In exercising free speech there must also be an assumption of responsibility to sensitively disseminate only information that is accurate and factual.

Fallacy and equivocation have no place in publicly conscious free speech.

While the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform was legally exercising their First Amendment rights — and should continue to be able to do so — they nevertheless failed to exercise that right responsibly.

We respect our readers' choice not to engage. Further, we reject that the burden of disengagement rests upon the audience, especially where sensitive topics and imagery are concerned.

Rather it falls to us, as practitioners of free speech, to acknowledge the diversity of viewpoints represented and ensure our actions are considerate.



Longer season could cost NFL viewers

I love football. I always have and always will. But not everyone is as loyal as I am, and with the new TV deal the NFL signed with CBS recently, along with talks of expanding the playoffs, the NFL risks diluting its product and losing regular viewers.

In February, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell announced that the league had struck a one-year deal with CBS to broadcast eight games of “Thursday Night Football.”

Also, rumors of an expanded playoff system have begun this offseason, as some NFL owners wish to add an extra playoff team in each conference.

Again, I love football. But it doesn't need to be on every night.

Part of the allure of the NFL is the fact that the season is so short, only running September through February, and that most of the games are played on Sundays and Mondays.

The regular season lasts only 17 weeks, making each game crucial. One win or loss can be the difference between a playoff berth and watching the playoffs from home.

Collegiate and professional football are the only sports that enjoy such a meaningful regular season.

The NBA boasts an 82-game regular season schedule, so losing one or two games doesn't really matter. Major League Baseball has diluted their product even more, having their athletes play 162 regular season games.

Enduring a six or seven game losing streak can mean absolutely nothing at the end of the season. NFL teams with a six game losing streak during the season very rarely make the playoffs.

TV ratings for the NFL could also take a hit if it continues to expand its schedule.

For 2013, games televised

on CBS averaged about 18.7 million viewers, according to Sports Illustrated. Meanwhile, games broadcast on FOX averaged 21.2 million viewers.

All of these numbers dwarf the other major professional sports in the United States.

In comparison, TNT, which hosts NBA games on Thursday nights, averaged only about 2 million viewers per game, according to NBA.com.

Major League Baseball's Game 6 of the 2013 World Series could only muster 19.2 million viewers, according to MLB.com.

Keep in mind folks, that's baseball's grand stage, and it still barely compares to a regular season NFL game.

These stats should make the NFL wary of trying to continuously expand their product.

Trying to take over primetime television could backfire on them.

There are many loyal bas-

ketball fans that also watch the NBA during the week in the fall and winter months. When given the decision to watch basketball or football on that Thursday night, what do you think they will pick?

The NFL is a financial powerhouse and football is by far the most popular American sport. But the NFL should be cautious of adding more and more football.

Perhaps owner of the NBA's Dallas Mavericks Mark Cuban put it best when he said to ESPN, “I'm just telling you, when you've got a good thing and you get greedy, it always, always, always, always, always turns on you. That's rule number one of business.”

Remember, Commissioner Goodell, if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

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Free college won't benefit society

Ah, college! The best four years of your life spent running up a hefty tab on classes, books, housing and meal plans (not to mention all the money spent at Hokie House).

Some are lucky enough to have the bill footed by their parents, while others are terrified of the looming student loans waiting to give them a congratulatory toast after graduation.

It's no secret that many high school graduates are unable to afford college, but luckily, community colleges provide a cheaper alternative.

But should this alternative be free? According to a recent Associated Press article, legislators in Oregon, Tennessee and Mississippi want to provide a free community college education for all high school graduates.

Proponents believe young adults with a community college degree will be more attractive to reputable employers because they possess an advantage over students with simply a high school degree.

Sen. Mark Hass (D-Ore.) avidly supports a free community college education.

“I think everybody agrees that with a high school education by itself, there is no path to the middle class,” said Hass in the Associated Press article. “There is only one path, and it leads to poverty, and that is very expensive.”

Hass continues to say that this legislation will actually help taxpayers, rationalizing that it is less costly to

pay for an education than to pay the welfare expenses for a person lacking the skills necessary to land a comfortable job.

I couldn't disagree more with this logic. The bottom line is that not every high school graduate is college material, and even if they were, a college degree is not a one-way ticket to instant success.

“The paper we receive at graduation ceremonies, as fancy as it may appear, is not the only piece in the intricate puzzle of landing a dependable job.”

Some students mosey their way through grade school, only putting in the effort required to receive a diploma. Someone lacking educational determination is not meant to continue on to community college, and a more rigorous curriculum will almost ensure failure.

The 2013-2014 New River Community College Catalog highlights the school's completion rates, noting that 22.5 percent of pupils enrolled starting in fall 2009 received a diploma within four years.

Similarly, Tidewater Community College's website states that only 15.1 percent of students enrolled starting

in the same timeframe graduated within four years.

These statistics prove that less than a quarter of students enrolling in community college will triumphantly toss their graduation caps in the air four years later. It seems silly to waste taxpayers' money on students who are, statistically speaking, unlikely to graduate.

Additionally, college does not promise prosperity for every graduate.

According to a CNN Money Article, 36.7 percent of college graduates have jobs that do not need a college degree. The article points out that many graduates work in food service and retail due to the issues with the current job market.

In my experience as a college student, I have learned that it often takes social connections and extreme dedication to even land an internship. The paper we receive at graduation ceremonies, as fancy as it may appear, is not the only piece to the intricate puzzle of landing a dependable job.

While it is admirable to push for a more educated America, I cannot envision free community college as a Band-Aid healing the wounds of those unable to afford a collegiate education themselves.

College is a privilege, not a right. It should remain that way.

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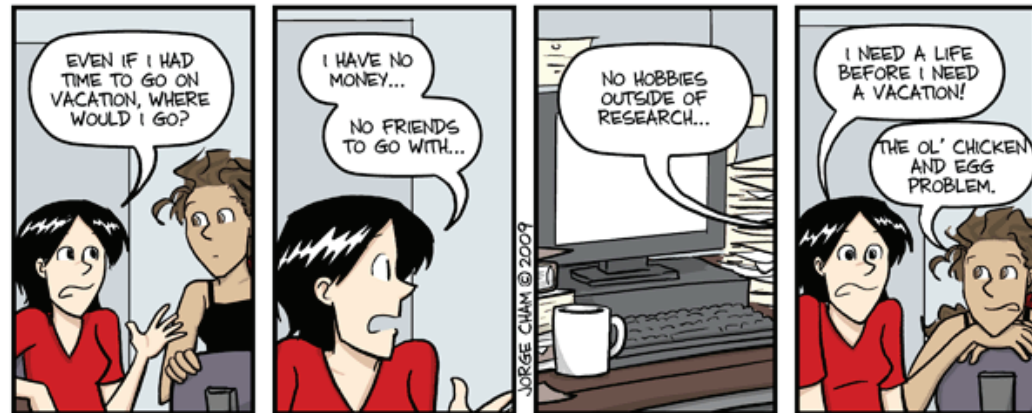
Today's Birthday Horoscope: This year sparkles with creativity. Happiness is the name of the game. Romance and partnership bloom after the lunar eclipse in Libra (4/15). Finances grow all year, especially blossoming after late spring. Study what you love, and thrive.



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"But of course, Winston, old chap."

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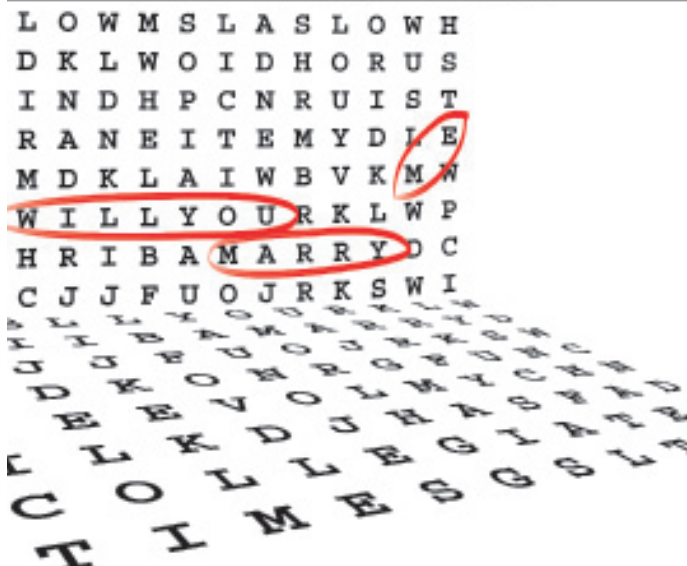
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MUSIC DOWNLOADS

April 1st - April 4th

1. High you are - What so not (Brandiez Remix)
2. Dancin' - Aaron Smith (KRONO Remix)
3. Treat Me Right - Keys N Krates
4. Changes - FAUL & Wad Ad vs Phau
5. Down by the river - Milky Chance
6. You and Me - Disclosure (Flume Remix)
7. High For This - Ellie Golding (Kygo Remix) - The Weeknd Cover

WORDSEARCH: FAMILY

Locate the list of words in the word bank in the letter grid.

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WORD BANK

- 1 Mom
- 2 Dad
- 3 Sister
- 4 Brother
- 5 Niece
- 6 Nephew
- 7 Twins
- 8 Aunt
- 9 Uncle
- 10 Child
- 11 Baby
- 12 Inherit
- 13 Engaged
- 14 Love
- 15 Kin

Horoscopes

- Aries (March 21-April 19)**
The next two days could get quite profitable, although it's not a good time to expand or risk. Finish a job before going out. A disagreement at home could tangle things. An idea in theory doesn't work in practice. Review plans and instructions.
- Taurus (April 20-May 20)**
You're getting stronger and more confident. Inspire, rather than demanding. Listen to a good coach. Today and tomorrow could get active, and fun. Don't dig into savings. The competition's fierce. Admit the truth to a critic. It's not about winning... but playing the game.
- Gemini (May 21-June 20)**
Financial success fuels optimism. Nonetheless, slow down and contemplate. Let yourself get retrospective today and tomorrow. Things are getting stirred up at your place. Controversy arises. Keep confidences. Start with organizing closets and workspaces. Work interferes with playtime... take extra time off later.
- Cancer (June 21-July 22)**
You have more friends than you realized. Together, you share goals to realize a vision. A new trick won't work. Don't take financial risks. You'll be more analytical for the next few days, with help from a technical friend. Let the group find the solution.
- Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)**
Take on new responsibilities today and tomorrow. Consider all possibilities. Choose reality over fantasy. It's a miserable time to gamble. Stand outside the controversy as much as possible. Obligations interfere with fun. Remember your manners, and ask for assistance. Schedule, delegate and make it work.
- Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**
Your luck's shifting for the better again. Play ball! Investigate possibilities to take new ground over the next two days. Postpone household projects until after your deadline. An expensive option may not be the best. Fantasy and fact clash. Put agreements in writing.
- Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**
Don't let a windfall evaporate, or follow a hunch blindly. There could be a disagreement over style. Keep your eyes open, and research options. Review your reserves over the next two days. Consider the consequences before making a move. Put in some sweat equity.
- Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**
Lean on a gentle partner for the next few days. Keep a treasure hidden, even from friends. Accept an offer of assistance. Work on your assignments. Share results. Be gracious with someone inconsiderate. Consider all possibilities, before choosing your direction.
- Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**
Put your heads together. Start by learning the rules. Don't advance... simply maintain position. Work goes smoothly today and tomorrow. Re-assure someone who's flustered. A disappointment could disrupt the action. Profit from meticulous service. Your cool compassion gives another ease.
- Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**
A barrier diminishes. Use your connections to push forward. It's not a good time to travel, though. Come up with creative and unusual ideas for style and beauty. Have fun without over-extending. You have less energy than expected. A quiet night at home refreshes.
- Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**
Neatness counts double for the next couple of days. Take it slow, and review work before finalizing. Personal comfort must be considered. A repair at home or a family situation demands attention. Postpone an outing, and authorize improvements. Don't expand too rapidly. Easy does it.
- Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)**
Prepare your position. There's a test or deadline ahead, taking precedence. Squirrel away nuts for winter anyway. A little bit here and there adds up. Exercise and nature clear your mind and restore your energy.

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Hillel: Fellow researches diverse news sources

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pulsory military service — three years of service for males and two years for females.

For all Israeli citizens, “Krav Maga” is taught as a self-defense mechanism and is a technique adopted by armies around the world.

At Tech, Ivan has been teaching “Krav Maga” classes primarily attended by cadets, but he’s done more than just teach them how to fight. Many members of the Corps of Cadets have come to him with questions about Ukraine as well.

James Turbyfill, a sophomore finance major and a member of the Corps, said he asked Goncharenko about the cultural divisions in Crimea and Ukraine.

“The eastern side is predominantly Russian-speaking, but the western side is more Ukrainian and Western European. Crimea falls into the Eastern Russian culture,” Turbyfill said.

Goncharenko also told inquiring students that the Russian military has always

been present in the Ukraine, but it is only now that their presence has become apparent.

“Do you think Russia would like it if their neighbor was a NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) member?”

Ivan Goncharenko
Hillel Fellow

“It has been part of an agreement since 1991 that Russia is granted a number of soldiers in Ukraine if they think it’s important for their security,” Goncharenko said.

For some, it can be difficult to comprehend the magnitude of the Ukrainian crisis, with much ambiguity over what Ukraine wants as a nation and how much of that is being overruled by Russia, but Goncharenko seems to stay in tune with what is happening.

“He’s really informed, and he does his research,” Wisgerhof said.

To keep up to date, Goncharenko relies on several news sources, appreciating that each will have a particular angle: Fox News, i24 News (an Israeli TV source), Al Arabiya News (a liberal Arabic source) and the Russian RIA News, among others.

Goncharenko and Turbyfill agreed that American news sources often portray Russia too negatively on the basis of the events of the Cold War, which is arguably still ongoing.

“Do you think Russia would like it if their neighbor was a NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) member?” Goncharenko said. “If they are pushed into a corner, of course they will push back. However, to say that Russia can just take over is not good, according to international law.”

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Ivan Goncharenko, a Virginia Tech Hillel fellow, visited Guatemala during the 2014 spring break.

Box office swept by ‘Noah’

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Director Darren Aronofsky’s biblical epic “Noah” sailed at the weekend box office as the film opened at No. 1 with an estimated \$44 million in ticket sales, while “Divergent” dropped off sharply and “Cesar Chavez” got off to a slow start.

“Noah,” which cost about \$130 million to make, solidly met expectations, according to Paramount Pictures, which had initially forecast a \$30 million opening weekend.

“Noah” already has generated about \$95 million overseas.

The film brought in a diverse crowd, said Megan Colligan, Paramount’s president of domestic marketing and distribution. It drew a 50-50 split of male and female audience members and generated strong turnout among Christians, Latinos and African-Americans, plus “lots of Aronofsky fans in major cities,” Colligan said.

“There was a pretty good balance of age ranges but a little bit of an older crowd, which we expected,” she said.

In Santa Monica, viewers at one packed AMC theater gave the film a standing ovation Saturday night.

“At first I thought maybe we walked into the wrong movie — it was a little cheesy at a start,” said Astacia Christenson, 36. “But it worked out because you got into the characters, there was some good acting and the story picked up and got more interesting. The movie saved itself.”

Audience members at some screenings have noted unintended laughter at certain points in the film.

“I did think there were a few weird moments, like the rock creatures,” Christenson’s daughter, Khaida Gordon, 17, of Benton, Ore., said of elements that are among the looser interpretations of the biblical story. “They were interesting and a little strange. I’m still trying to figure out if it was a good addition or not.”

Good or not, “Noah” far outdistanced “Divergent,” which generated \$26.5 million in its second weekend — a 51 percent decline from its opening but still good enough for No. 2 on the box-office list.

Based on a young adult novel series, the Lionsgate film, directed by Neil Burger and starring Shailene Woodley, tells the story of a young woman fighting for freedom and survival in a dystopian society.

Though the new biopic “Cesar Chavez” received an A grade from filmgoers, according to the polling firm CinemaScore, the film generated only \$3 million in its opening weekend, good for 12th place. Its per-screen average of about \$4,500 was little more than one-third of that for “Noah.”

Disney’s “Muppets Most Wanted” finished third, generating \$11.4 million, and “Mr. Peabody & Sherman” finished fourth with \$9.5 million.

But delivering a bigger surprise — again — was “God’s Not Dead,” which with about \$9.1 million finished fifth for the

second week in a row.

The faith-based film, about a college student defending his beliefs against a professor, features Kevin Sorbo, Dean Cain, the popular Christian rock group Newsboys, and Willie and Korie Robertson from the “Duck Dynasty” television show as themselves. Wes Anderson’s “The Grand Budapest Hotel” expanded to 977 theaters from about 300 theaters and saw its weekend box office rise 30 percent.

With a weekend take of \$8.8 million, the film has brought in \$24.5 million during its slow rollout.

“Many moviegoers are finding out about Wes Anderson for the first time,” said Frank Rodriguez, Fox Searchlight head of distribution, who added that strong word of mouth has been helping the comedy.

Arnold Schwarzenegger’s new crime thriller, “Sabotage,” finished seventh with \$5.3 million in its opening weekend. The picture, which cost about \$35 million to make, received negative reviews from critics and could become Schwarzenegger’s lowest-grossing movie in more than two decades.

Other milestones: Disney’s “Frozen” passed “Toy Story 3” to become the No. 1 animated film ever, with an estimated gross of more than \$1.072 billion worldwide. And in its eighth weekend, “The Lego Movie” eclipsed the \$400 million mark in worldwide box office receipts.

Safe: Card shows training

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person’s ability to “pass” as heterosexual or cisgendered.

“(Passing) is the ability to maneuver through spaces without having to worry about being harassed or being stigmatized,” Fry said.

The group also discussed connotations, the difference between gender-neutral and gender-inclusive and why certain words were created.

Next, Fry led an activity to help Delta Psi Nu understand how members of the LGBTQ community may feel when coming out for the first time. The activity incorporated the participants’ own goals and support group, as well as statistics associated with coming out.

Mathews also explained the Fassinger Model of Lesbian and Gay Identity Formation, which identifies four stages of identity development: awareness, exploration, deepening commitment and internalization or synthesis.

Afterward, Delta Psi Nu took a quiz aimed toward heterosexuals.

The quiz included questions asking what caused their heterosexuality, if they think their sexuality is just a phase and why they choose to be heterosexual. These questions were based on ones typically posed to the LGBTQ community.

The fraternity members then discussed how they would feel if they were asked these questions and which stood out to them the most.

“Because we live in a het-

ero-normative world... if you identify as heterosexual, you’re never asked to explore and interrogate that part of your identity,” Mathews said. “We assumed it’s just the default and innate in everyone.”

The next activity dealt with the spectrum of sex, gender and sexuality. The participants were asked to stand on the left, right or middle of the room, depending on how they felt they stood on the issue.

“A lot of times, people struggle to have a conversation around LGBTQ issues, because they don’t have the language.”

Danny Mathews
Safe Zone Coordinator

The activity showed that concepts such as gender expression, orientation and behavior are not always black-and-white. People may occasionally experiment or change where they are on the spectrum.

The session also briefly covered preferred gender pronouns and possible pronouns one might encounter. Fraternity members were given papers describing ways they could be an ally to the LGBTQ community.

Because Mathews faced bullying and harassment in college due to his sexuality, he wants members of the LGBTQ

community facing discrimination to have a support system here at Tech.

“For people in marginalized communities, so often, there’s a feeling of isolation when you arrive to college. And I want to be able to help people work against that and help them realize that there’s a community available to them, and there are people, administration and faculty that care about their success,” Mathews said.

If participants want to learn more after taking the basic training session, they can go to a breakout session.

Currently, Safe Zone offers Trans-101, which talks more about gender, the nuances of gender and how it’s different from sexual identity. Other breakout sessions include suicide watch and prevention, New River Valley resources, LGBTQ legal issues and compliance and LGBTQ history.

After attending a breakout session, participants receive a Safe Zone card that they can hang in their office or on their door so that LGBTQ students, faculty, staff and community members can know the participant is equipped with this knowledge and is attempting to be inclusive of their needs.

Students interested in participating in Safe Zone can register through the Multicultural Programs and Services’ website under the section “LGBTQ.”

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AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Ahead of Schedule is a weekly feature from the CT that lays out the VT Athletic events for the coming week.

Tuesday, Apr. 1

Baseball vs. James Madison
English Field 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Apr. 2

Softball vs. James Madison
Tech Softball Park 4 p.m.

Lacrosse vs. Liberty
Thompson Field 4 p.m.

Baseball vs. Radford
English Field 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Apr. 3

Women's Tennis vs. Coastal Carolina
Burrows-Burleson Tennis Center 1:30 p.m.

Friday, Apr. 4

Track & Field at Colonial Relays
Williamsburg, Va. All Day

Track & Field at Florida Relays
Gainesville, Fla. All Day

Men's Tennis at Georgia Tech
Atlanta, Ga. 4 p.m.

Baseball vs. Miami
English Field 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 5

Track & Field at Colonial Relays
Williamsburg, Va. All Day

Track & Field at Florida Relays
Gainesville, Fla. All Day

Track & Field at Auburn Invit.
Auburn, Ala. All Day

Men's Golf at 3M Augusta Invit.
Augusta, Ga. All Day

Softball at Georgia Tech
Atlanta, Ga. 1 p.m.

Lacrosse vs. Syracuse
Thompson Field 1 p.m.

Baseball vs. Miami
English Field 2 p.m.

Spring: Positions up for grabs

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of the carries.

If Edmunds comes back strong, he should be back at the number one spot when fall practice rolls around.

But, in turn, this gives true freshman running back Marshawn Williams his chance to shine after he enrolled in school early.

Standing at 5-foot-11 and weighing 224 pounds, Williams is a bruiser and rushed for 2,192 yards and 30 touchdowns during his senior season at Phoebus High School in Hampton, Va.

Williams sits at third on the depth chart behind sophomore running back Jerome Wright. Wright played in 12 games last season, mostly on special teams, only seeing seven carries for 27 yards on offense.

Look for Edmunds and Coleman to lead the rushing attack. But the Hokies gained a lot of talent with the addition of Williams and Shai McKenzie, who will see limited action this spring as he recovers from a torn ACL.

The top of the depth chart seems to be set for the running backs, but the second and third spots should shake up a bit and be clearer as spring continues on.

Defensively, the Hokies lost a lot of talent and experience and are looking to reload at almost every position.

James Gayle, Derrick Hopkins, J.R. Collins, Tyrel Wilson, Jack Tyler, Tariq Edwards, Antone Exum and Kyle Fuller were all lost to graduation and most are hoping to be selected in the NFL Draft come May.

Starting up front, Tech's centerpiece remains the big-bodied senior defensive tackle Luther Maddy, but he's the only starting defensive lineman remaining from last



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Virginia Tech linemen snap balls to quarterbacks during drills.

season. There will be a big gap to fill with the loss of Hopkins, but redshirt sophomore Nigel Williams and Corey Marshall will fight for the other defensive tackle spot beside Maddy.

Marshall returns after leaving the team for personal reasons last season, while Williams recorded 14 tackles and two sacks in 13 games in 2013.

Dadi Nicolas will try to fill the large shoes of James Gayle at the defensive end spot, along with Dewayne Alford, Ken Ekanem and Seth Dooley.

The defensive line looks to be a great position battle with true freshman and early enrollee Vinny Mihota get-

ting a lot of buzz. Mihota was recruited at defensive end, but the coaches will also try him out at defensive tackle this spring.

The linebacker position remains wide open with the loss of senior leaders Jack Tyler and Tariq Edwards. Tech will turn to redshirt senior Chase Williams at the inside linebacker spot, who will be backed up by redshirt freshman Andrew Motuapuaka, a player that recently received high praise from defensive coordinator Bud Foster.

The other inside linebacker spot will pit Deon Clarke and Dahman McKinnon against each other, a pair of players that have seen plenty of



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Bud Foster talks with players during pre-practice warmups.



FILE 2013

Head coach Frank Beamer talks to his team during practice.

special teams action, but little time with the starting defense.

The uncertainty at the outside linebacker position will give Josh Trimble and Derek DiNardo more time to get first team reps, as 2012 starter Ronny Vandyke continues to rehab the shoulder injury that ended his season in 2013.

The secondary returns talented sophomores Brandon Facyson and Kendall Fuller, but bad news struck as Facyson went down with a left tibia stress reaction on Friday. Facyson will miss the remainder of the spring and return when practice starts back up in the fall.

Finally, the drama of finding a place kicker continues

for the Hokies.

This position battle always proves to be dramatic and is often literally the difference between wins and losses. Senior Michael Branthover and sophomore Eric Kristensen are listed one and two on the depth chart and will battle it out for the position that carries a lot of weight and pressure.

Ultimately, Tech's spring practice will see a lot of movement on the depth chart as young players improve, incoming freshmen find their roles and leaders emerge.



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