



## WEATHER

FRIDAY — Partly cloudy. Chance of flurries in late afternoon. Highs near 25. Lows in the teens.



WEEKEND — Sun explodes. World goes dark. Hell freezes over. Rain unlikely for years.

# Commonwealth SLIME

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The Students Unimpressed with Virginia Commonwealth University

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## Gravel swallows T. Rani

**Seymour Butz**  
CS EAR EDITOR

In a bizarre phenomenon that already claimed four lives and injured countless individuals, the gravel on Linden Street has begun sucking people down into its rocky depths.

Witnesses said VCU President Eugene T. Rani was the first to go, having been buried up to his neck in the road between the University Student Commons and the Business Building sometime last night, and it has been downhill ever since.

"I'm scared out of my wits," said Hugh Jalligator, senior basket-weaving major. "I was there, man. The gravel started moving ... it grabbed T. Rani by the legs and pulled him down into the street. I ... I can't go on ... it was just so horrible!"

The gravel, which was dumped on Linden Street and Shafer Court at the end of this past summer, subsequently was pressed down into the road surface, making it only a minor hazard to students on bicycles, skateboards and in wheelchairs.

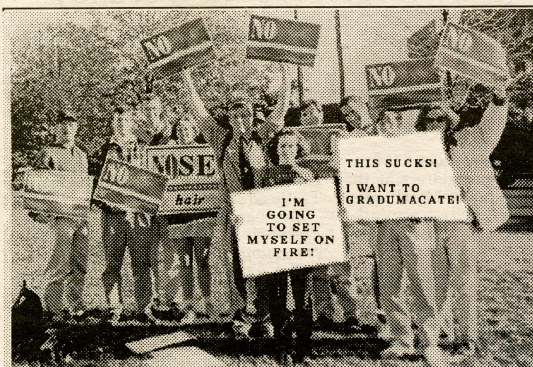
This is the world's first case of road material rising up to cause murder and mayhem, according to the VCU Police.

"Off the record, we had a disgruntled manhole cover roll itself into oncoming traffic back in 1969," VCU Police Chief Jimmy Dean said. "But this, this isn't pretty at all. I don't think any of us realize exactly what we're up against. Don't print this — but that gravel is upset, and there may be no stopping it!"

Though officials have yet to release the names of the students and faculty members killed by the gravel, at least 20 other individuals were reported missing, and local geologists are conducting an around-the-clock search.



HEADS UP — Gravel on Linden Street swallows several members of the VCU community. The rocks at this site, as well as in Shafer Court, recently killed four individuals and injured countless others in the first such uprising in history.



THAT SUCKS — Students protest change in graduation requirements. Seniors can show their support by calling VCU President Eugene T. Rani at 828-GENE.

## Graduating in May? Think again!

**Mike Hockfelov**  
CS Russian Correspondent

The long college haul has gotten longer. Students planning to attend the May 20 Commencement ceremony are in for an unpleasant surprise, thanks to a recently discovered loophole in the university academic bulletin — a loophole requiring students to obtain a grand total of 300 credits to qualify for graduation.

In the past, students generally could fly the coop after garnering less than 150 credits, depending on their major.

"It's too bad no one ever spotted the fine print before," said VCU Spokesman Dick Burnzlott. "But I think the student protestors are finally heading home. They let off a

lot of steam throwing rocks and small children through my window."

Burnzlott said he found the loophole late last night while reading the bulletin and drinking a case of beer and immediately notified President Eugene T. Rani of the discovery.

"That Burnzlott sure is a dumb bastard," T. Rani said, shaking his head. "But clearly we could use the additional money from students staying here longer."

T. Rani suggested creating new classes to help students reach the higher credit goal.

"What about classes in origami and bondage?" he asked. "Clearly these are the most important issues facing young people

## Masturbation cases linked to CS editor

**Anita Jobb**  
CS DAMAGING EDITOR

In a bizarre twist Monday, the Commonwealth Slime reporter who covered the string of indecent-exposure incidents on campus during the past several months was arrested in connection with the occurrences.

CS News Editor Scott Trout was charged with seven counts of indecent exposure by Richmond City Sheriff Dom Moretti.

If convicted, Trout faces up to three years in jail, a \$10,000 fine and mandatory therapy. The trial will begin April 18.

VCU Police Chief Jimmy Dean said an anonymous student reported that Trout was engaging in "strange behavior" on the 4th floor of Cabell library, behind the reference desk.

"She said he was undulating while lying on the floor," Dean said.

Trout has been identified by four witnesses to four separate incidents, Dean said, including three that took place in Cabell library and one at the Nelson Clinic on the MCV campus.

"We are trying to get a fifth witness to come in for a line-up, but she was so traumatized by what she saw in the library that she may not be released (from the mental-health clinic) for sev-

eral months," Dean said.

VCU President Eugene T. Rani said yesterday he was shocked at the situation.

"I cannot believe such an upstanding student leader in the VCU community could be participating in this lewd, disgusting behavior," Rani said. "But, I'll bet he had a good time."

Daphne Crankin, who teaches human sexuality at VCU, said many times these activities are cries for help.

"Often, people who engage in public masturbation are just trying to get people to notice them," she said. "They think that by exhibiting their sexuality, people will think of them as desirable."

"Of course, it is possible that he was merely releasing pent-up sexual frustration," Crankin added.

Diana Sullie, chairwoman of the VCU Women's Studies Department, said this is the type of behavior men use to intimidate and dominate women.

"Trout should be executed to set an example that women just aren't going to take this sort of thing anymore," she said. "All of these men should be ... dealt with properly."

Gage Pharter, CS executive editor, said, "He will be allowed to continue as news editor unless proven guilty. I have always been pleased with Trout's performance."

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## WORLD/NATION



## • The Juice set free

LOS ANGELES — O.J. Simpson was released from jail yesterday after his former house guest Brian "Kato" Kaelin admitted he committed the June 12 knife slayings of Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Kaelin broke down yesterday following three days of intense questioning by defense attorney F. Lee Bailey. Kaelin said he went to Ms. Simpson's Brentwood condominium that night just to warn her to "stay away from O.J."

"I'm in love with O.J. The only thing standing in our way was Nicole. He never got over her," Kaelin said, explaining that his plan changed when MS. Simpson wouldn't let him inside the house.

Kaelin told Judge Lance Ito he returned to his car to get a knife he always kept under the front seat just to "threaten Nicole." But, Kaelin explained, Goldman heard no noise and came to check on Ms. Simpson. The pair of men began to struggle. Goldman was stabbed.

Kaelin said he thought then that he must kill M. Simpson so he wouldn't be identified.

"The only thing I'm sorry for," he said, "is that O.J. and I still won't be together. It was all for nothing. I hope he can forgive me for framing him and get on with his life."

## • Hospital mishap leaves man without head

A man who checked into a Tampa, Fla., hospital for a routine tonsillectomy Wednesday had a rude awakening when he woke up with a severed head.

"I'm not happy," said Les Boddy, the beheaded patient. "Though I have to admit, my tonsils feel a lot better."

This mishap marks the seventh such accident at Sisters of No Mercy Hospital in the past two weeks. Hospital spokeswoman Mary Gums was unavailable for comment because her teeth recently were removed during knee surgery.

## VIRGINIA



## • Governor injured in mishap

CHARLOTTESVILLE — Gov. George Allen remains in serious but stable condition at MCV Hospitals today after suffering internal injuries and a broken leg in a traffic accident last night.

Allen was riding in the back of his family's pick-up truck yesterday after afternoon while visiting his boyhood farm home in the foothills of Afton Mountain.

Driven by the first lady, Susan Allen, the truck careened out of control after hitting a tree.

The governor was thrown from the bed of the truck. He smacked into the tree before coming to rest in a ditch.

Ironically, the governor vetoed Monday a measure that would have requiring seat belts for people riding in truck beds.

"I'm sure he will be re-evaluating his position on the matter," Allen spokesman Ken Stroute said late last night from the hospital.

Allen is expected to make a full recovery, but his leg will remain in a cast for several weeks. Doctors say the leg might have to be rebroken later, depending on how it heals in its current cast.

The first lady is said to be quite upset, locking herself in the executive mansion, refusing any company.

## RICHMOND



## • Police chief cites reasons for high murder rate

Retiring City of Richmond Chief of Police Marty Tapscott said yesterday he knows why the city has been plagued with such high a murder rate.

"We have found unusually high instances of aluminum in the city's drinking water," he said. "This causes people to become more magnetically charged, drawing stray bullets toward them at an alarming rate."

MCV will offer a free screening clinic to check for abnormally high levels of aluminum and to demagnetize people. Doctors advise people receive immediate attention.

## • Philip Morris fights mac and cheese tax

Congress, at the urging of President Clinton, has made all products manufactured by tobacco companies more heavily taxed as part of the nation's health-care plan.

As cigarette prices have soared throughout the country to an average of \$2.50 per pack, consumers are now bracing for \$5 per box of Kraft Cheese and Macaroni.

"As the parent company of Kraft foods, we plan on going on a nationwide tour, giving away macaroni and cheese and explaining its nutritional and educational benefits," said R.J. Reynolds, vice president for nicotine at Philip Morris. The effect this tax could have on the company could eventually bankrupt the City of Richmond. When Reynolds was asked about the accusations of manipulating the levels of addictive cheese in each box, he responded with a stern, "No comment."

## CAMPUS



## • Free parking, guaranteed

Frustrated with parking? Well, worry no more.

VCU Automotive Services yesterday announced a strategic plan to guarantee all students a free spot for their cars on campus.

The bold and innovative measure includes replacing all academic buildings with parking decks as well as allowing parallel parking on Cary Street Field during sporting events.

"I guess I'm excited about not having any more classes," said Jocko Matic, captain of the lawn-darts team.

"But today some butt munch in a Chevy ran over one of my darts and cost me the championship!"

## • Virus linked to commons cookies

Beware! Anyone who has sampled some of the Otis Funkmeyer cookies available in the commons may become sick.

Barry Hall, director of the commons, said yesterday nearly 30 students have complained of nausea, dizziness, fever and other cold-like symptoms.

Hall said the only common link in the cases is that the students have eaten at least one of the cookies within 24 hours of feeling the first symptoms.

"I'm not sure what is causing the illness," he said, explaining that he has turned over cookie samples to the Food and Drug Administration for testing. "It's probably some sort of virus passed through the cookies."

Hall said the cookies will not be available in the commons until the cause of the illnesses is determined.

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## Representative outburst upsets assembly

## John Batty

CSEMPEROR

Delegate Joan Moroblinker, D-Chesterfield County, was admitted to MCV Hospitals for testing after disrupting yesterday's General Assembly session.

According to sources, at about 4:15 p.m., while the assembly was addressing the issue of courtroom dramas, Moroblinker "leapt up from her chair and ran across the meeting room floor, shouting 'Help me before the pickles take my linens ransom!'"

Security guards, assuming terrorist action, cornered the estranged representative, and in the struggle Moroblinker and one guard suffered gunshot wounds, another was struck in the head and a third got the best wedgie of his life.

Yesterday's events came on the tail of Moroblinker's last escapade, which occurred at the end of February's meetings. During the course of the evening, Moroblinker called on her head cow "Willy" to speak before the Assembly.

When the House speaker reminded the delegate that the bovine was deceased, Moroblinker brought forth a motion to

have Willy exhumed to see if he was fit to speak before the Assembly.

The motion was turned down 136-1.

House Speaker Bill Twithead said last night that he was not surprised by this behavior.

"Quite frankly, Delegate Moroblinker is an asshole. Those damn guards should've gunned her down when they had a chance," Twithead said.

Among those present at MCV was VCU President Eugene T. Rani, who came to show support for the assembly.

"I don't know about what the delegate did... all I know is that I'm thrilled this isn't another T. Rani-bashing article," he said, and then proceeded to buy the reporter a soda.

The Commonwealth Slime managed to speak directly with Moroblinker in her hospital room.

The interview, however, went sour when Moroblinker attempted to give a suppository to a staff photographer.

Before being strapped and gagged, Moroblinker offered this final comment: "If those damn sprinklers don't get you, by God eat more varnish!"

## GRADUATION

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like myself today."

More than 1,500 outraged seniors today stormed university offices in hopes of getting answers or exceptions.

"I'm going to kick some administrative booty!" yelled Ben Dover, a senior majoring in undecided, who attended the violent 10-minute rally.

"Yeah!" said an unidentified woman, who then set herself on fire in protest of the unsettling loophole. Luckily the eighth fire

drill this week was taking place at the Hibbs Building, and city firefighters showed up on the scene within the hour to extinguish the woman.

"Thanks," she said afterward. "I needed that."

As protestors smoldered and chanted, administrators gathered in the plush Executive Penthouse on Franklin Street to plan their next move, spokesman Burnzloft said.

"Frankly we're afraid for our lives," he said, opening his jacket to reveal a bullet-proof vest.

Aron Hereboldthese

## The Way Things Ought To Be

### Meter Maids — Give 'Em A Raise

They don't just check meters anymore. Richmond's army of meter maids take their post-modern responsibilities very seriously. And so should we.

Not only do they diligently check parking meters for "Time Expired," but they also use **chalk** to mark cars in limited time zones, use a tiny **computer** while entering our parking tickets and they **drive** those cool looking Oompah Lumpa vehicles. Their talent is astounding. They do this all, of course, while exuding a friendly and helpful attitude toward the public.

These city workers deserve the respect of the student body here at VCU and a raise from the tax-payers of the city.

### Student Commons — No Healthier Place On Earth

The Center for Public Nutrition (those folks that have warned us about the dangers of theater popcorn and diet meat) may be coming to VCU to recognize the incredibly nutritional menu offered here on our campus.

The CPN Heart Smart Award will be handed out to the university or community college that has exhibited an insightful nutritional knowledge and a drive to instill in their students proper dietary habits.

VCU has exhibited these criteria and deserves to be recognized.

By bringing in outside food chains such as Burger King, Taco Bell and Dunkin' Donuts to supplement the healthy hot food served in the commons (such as fried chicken and pork chops) VCU is doing its best to make sure its students will be alive and healthy for the 21st century.

### Student Government Association — Give It To T. Rani

With the no-voter turnout (less than 5 percent of the student population turned in ballots) in the recent Student Government Association elections, this columnist is certain that there will be no protest when the association turns over its responsibilities and duties to Susan B. Lackey, the new sole governing official who was appointed by VCU President Eugene T. Rani.

The Commonwealth Slime is fully behind Lackey, who will be earning approximately \$100,000 a year. These funds will come from our student fees, which will increase 54.3 percent in the coming academic year.

The dictatorship could not come at a better time for apathetic VCU students who no longer are able to articulate their own needs and thoughts.

Lackey has promised her unfailing telepathic ability will serve the students' needs as well as T. Rani's own agenda.

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Clifford J. Claven

## Political Leader or Distraught Postal Worker?

### Combination is More Likely Than Ever Imagined

Although I am not totally familiar with the VCU campus, other than that the zip codes to the area are 23220 and 23284, I am worried about the violent behavior displayed by VCU graduates who relocate in the north after meeting their degree requirements.

Once again the proud uniform of the United States Postal Service has been marred and disgraced by an unfortunate act of violence in one of our fine, modern facilities. I watched the ABC News with Peter Jennings last night and hissed profusely as a postal service "Scab," Chris Green, was led to federal district court.

I do not know a lot about this Chris Green character, except from what I've read when envelopes accidentally fall open. According to past issues of the CS that I happened upon while delivering mail to Boston University, it seems there was this Chris Green person who was an infamous campus character. This Mr. Green led a radical political sect from an office on campus that was involved in diverting funds and holding rallies.

Speaking of rallies, one of the biggest of all time happened right here, in sunny Boston. The Boston Tea Party, the first true political protest, was staged here in 1773.

As for Mr. Green, none of this would have happened if he had lived with his mother instead of moving from

the ATZ frat house to the N.J. countryside. Now Green has been charged with four counts of murder north of the Mason-Dixon line, four murders in Montclair (zip code 07052), N.J.

It's appropriate though that Green is associated with New Jersey. Many people don't realize that New Jersey is the Garden State. Most everyone thinks of exit numbers, smog and that awful smell that is New Jersey. As for Boston, the whole town is green for St. Patrick's Day. And talking about green, the green-and-white of the Celtics still gives me chills every time I enter the Garden. And we have "The Green Monster" in Fenway, too.

There are many other useful ways for VCU students to use guns. Students should follow the lead of New York City police officer Carol Shaya-Castro, who allowed the world to see her unconcealed weapons in Playboy magazine. Mind you, I don't subscribe to such a publication, but on one particular occasion as I was delivering mail, a copy of the magazine fell open to her spread. Of course, I didn't look at it for long.

Kaetlin Brier, current VCU anarchist, had no comment when asked if she would allow her weapons to be revealed. Then I remembered the original topic, Mr. Green. She told me the former activist is currently on tour with a Raggae band in Utah.

Dr. Myles Heigh

## Smokin' the Shrub

### VCU's Symbol of Knowledge Really Packs a Wallop

VCU has long been known as a liberal institution. Well not really, but the closet liberals have come out of the closet and gone directly to jail. Without passing "Go." But after collecting a lot more than \$200.

Twelve faculty members and administrators were arrested by Richmond police as the biggest marijuana ring in city history was busted last week.

As Keith Lennon, professor of business finances, was being cuffed, he exclaimed, "We're not criminals, we're just caring for VCU's real Shrub of Knowledge."

People on campus have wondered for years just what the hell the symbol represents. Now, thanks to the arrest of a dozen ex-hippies who don't re-

member the years 1977, 1978 and 1980, the VCU community has learned it is represented by a symbol of felonious freedom.

Snoop Doggy Dogg and Tom Petty will be teaming up for a benefit concert at the Speigel's Distribution Center in the near future. The proceeds will go toward the legal costs of the faculty and administration.

But what about the students of VCU? What do we get out of this?

More than 8,000 students

have claimed their grades were affected by the tenured staff's addiction. It seems more than 200 members of the VCU community took part in "Weed of Knowledge" parties at the house of the university president, who was too high for comment.

And student fees were raised for a new horticultural facility on campus, even though we don't have a school of farming or vegetable engineering. Just what were they growing in this facility?

Former CS foditorial biters wrote in protest of the new facility. They did not, however, stick to their guns, instead returning from scholastic field trips with a new perspective of the project.

Perhaps the administration would just share the wealth. You know, maybe set up a stand in the commons that would sell joints. They could have vendors walk through the stands at sporting events as well.

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This would allow students the opportunity to benefit from their student activities fees in a whole new way. Marijuana can enhance performance in class as well as in sporting events. It can also help our enrollment here at VCU — after all, pot in the student commons is not something every university can brag about.

What a drawing card for prospective students! And the pot's street value could keep tuition costs down for current addicts, I mean students.

So all of us at the CS have just one thing to say: "Help cultivate the weed, plant a shrub of knowledge today!"

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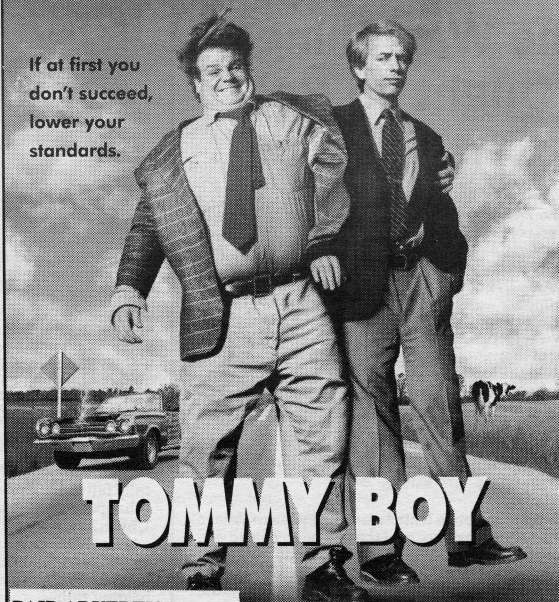
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# Director sets sights for next year's Academy Awards

**John Batty**  
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*Not everyone was cheering Monday night when "Forrest Gump" won the award for best picture. Among those was director Samson "Slap Me" McDingles, whose documentary, "The History of Naked Things," was passed by for nomination this year. I caught up with McDingles on the set of his latest film to talk with this compelling man about his past, present and future.*

**Commonwealth Slime:** I notice that you have a picture of Robert Zemeckis (director of "Forrest Gump") on your wall, yet you told the local press that you aren't holding grudges...

**Samson McDingles:** Yes, I know. But it's all in good fun, ya' know. People would be surprised to know just how often Steven Spielberg's face shows up inside a toilet lid these days, too. Everybody gets a good laugh out of it.

**CS:** Let's step back a moment and talk for a bit about your past projects. According to a recent interview you said that you wrote the original screenplay for "E.T."

**SM:** Sure did.

**CS:** This is not a widely known fact. What would Mr. Spielberg think about this?

**SM:** Well, what people don't realize is that there were really TWO "E.T.'s"; his was OK and did fair, but my "E.T." was the real-life story of Edward Tarver, the infamous attorney who successfully prosecuted the bastard who rear-ended me some years back. You can see the scar on my thigh, if you'd like—

**CS:** No, that's OK. Moving on, you shifted from drama to documentary. Tell us about your work in that field.

**SM:** With the money that I made from "E.T.," I took my girlfriend out to a meal at Denny's. As I pulled into a space I realized that the lines drawn on the pavement were my guiding light to safe parking. I realized, "My God, there's an art to this!" So I took out a loan from my bookie and made the documentary "The Lost Art of Drawing Lines in Parking Lots," which was considered a smashing success by everyone.

**CS:** According to the New York Times, the film "was the fastest and best way to loosen the bowels since Ex-Lax," and Siskel & Ebert unanimously agreed that they'd sooner have sex with their own mothers

than sit through "Parking Lots" again....  
**SM:** Well, nobody really listens to what those people say anyway.

**CS:** Right.

**SM:** Anyway, after "Parking Lots" settled down, I decided to move into a new, unexplored direction. One night while I was at the poms I realized all those naked people really got the audience excited, so I thought, "Why not make a documentary just about naked things?" And that's just what I did with "The History of Naked Things."

**CS:** But in porno movies, the naked people are having sex; in your movie, there aren't many sexually arousing scenes, or people for that matter....

**SM:** Right. I wanted to experiment with what people like to see naked. So I took some shots of my dog Ruff's parts — got a real nice shot from under the belly — along with some shaved goats and stuff. Of course, there were some human shots in there; I took a few close-ups of my own privs... made me feel kind of funny all over, ya' know....

**CS:** I'd really rather not know.

**SM:** Well, you don't know what you're missing. But anyway, I felt that "Naked

Things" was so good that I submitted it for an Academy nomination. But the committee's lawyer sent me a letter saying that if I ever submitted something again, they'd have me arrested for harassment. Called the film "an abomination of God and all things natural." I guess they didn't get to the parts with Ruff, eh?

**CT:** Ahem.... and as a result, you missed out on a nomination.

**SM:** Yep, broke my heart, but I pulled myself together and started working on this film, and next year I'll knock 'em dead.

**CS:** Tell us a bit about this film. I understand it's a sequel to "Naked Things."

**SM:** Exactly. It's going to be called "The History of Naked Things 2: Naked Things in the Morgue." To beef things up we may even try adding some special effects.

**CS:** That is utterly disgusting.

**SM:** Hey, don't speak so soon! I understand the FBI has taken a special interest in my work and wants to look further into it. Maybe they've got some naked cadavers for me to use. You can never tell with them government sorts.

**CS:** I suppose not.

## YEE-HAW!

WVCW  
goes country



**Helen Bedd**  
CS STAFF WRITER

After many long months of grappling for funds to go FM, VCU's radio station, WVCW, has now garnered the necessary support, but there's one catch — a country music format.

"I'm pleased with the change," said WVCW General Manager Hairy James. "In time I think VCU students will learn to appreciate country and western music."

James said he thinks the down-home nature of the radio shows will appeal to a wide range of students.

"They'll feel more at home with the new format," James said, adding that during the past few years there has been a growing demand for country music on college campuses.

The station will feature mainstream country artists such as Reba McEntire, Tanya Tucker, George Jones, Clint Black, Randy Travis and many more.

Each week WVCW will bring in a special guest host from the country music industry to spend an hour in the studio.

So far, James said, the station has Garth Brooks and George Strait lined up.

The special show, which airs from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturdays, will have the artists playing live and answering callers' questions.

Joyce Collar Donald, director of VCU's School of Mass Communications, said she is pleased to see the station expand-

ing its horizons.

"I'm so glad they're playing something I can listen to and not that old rock-n-roll crap," she said.

As the former adviser for the station, Donaldson was unsuccessful in obtaining the necessary funds. Now that WVCW has been taken over by the Student Dictatorship Association, it's funding has increased tenfold.

SDA President Kathy Burns said she does not consider the station a tool for student development, but instead as a mouthpiece for the university.

"It's about time VCU had a radio station that stayed in line," she said, explaining that in the past the student media have been out of control.

"It's not right for the media to chastise Dr. T. Rani," Burns said. "He's our president and we owe him loyalty at all costs."

On the matter of the station's format, Burns said she likes that kind of music so she's sure everyone else will too.

"As the leader of this campus, it's my responsibility to make decisions for students and I think country and western music is the best," she said.

While the station began its new format last week, it will sponsor a square dance in honor of the deal April 1.

All those interested in attending should RSVP to James at 828-1057. The event is free and open to the public. There will be a surprise guest.

Officials within the administration report that T. Rani will play the banjo, while VCU's provost will perform a solo.

## Bellynapped!

Student steals singer

**Moon**  
CS HEAVENLY BODY

"Now They'll Sleep" maybe the title of Belly's new long-awaited single, but is Tanya Donelly, the band's frontwoman and syrupy-sweet singer, really sleeping all that well?

The word is: no sir.

"There was this... pearly grin, and then Tanya was gone," states Tom Gorman, another member of the foursome that comprise Belly. "We were all just hanging around the Dairy Queen... you know, and this ratty old station wagon pulled up alongside. We haven't seen her since."

Tanya disappeared from the home of the big Blizzard about 9 p.m. March 28, and is allegedly being held hostage by a VCU art student identified only as "Sybrienne."

Currently on tour to promote their new album "King," the band is now faced with the decision of continuing their route minus lead siren, or packing their matching suitcases and heading back to Rhode Island. Gail Greenwood, Belly's new bassist, had only this to say: "With Tanya out of the picture, there's more room for me on stage!"

Despite this glimmer of hope from Greenwood, there is still the question of Donelly's safety. An active voyeur who wishes to remain nameless, but professes a great interest in Sybrienne's windowsill, described this scene:

"They were in the bedroom. Ah — that's where the window is. Tanya was, uh, scantily clad. And that girl, Syb, was putting these little leaves around Tanya's belly button. Like in a circle. And Tanya was, ah...." He pauses momentarily as a blush arrests his cheeks. "She was sing-

ing this song. She was singing, 'Baby, I can't fake it. I'd like to see you naked.'"

When questioned on the appearance of the kidnapper, the voyeur described her as being rather tall and relatively thin, with short-cropped red hair and dark round spectacles. "She doesn't wear anything to bed," he says. "But — don't ask how I know. Actually, I don't know anything."

Although the suspect is reported as being unarmed, she is to be regarded with a wary eye. Local police suggest that particularly community-devoted citizens frequent public places wearing Bellyt-shirts in the hopes that Sybrienne will reveal herself, though it is unlikely she will leave her now-deified bedroom.

In the meantime, what efforts are being made to recover the doe-eyed damsel?

"We're working on it," assures Lt. Schmoo of the Richmond police. "Everything will be just fine."

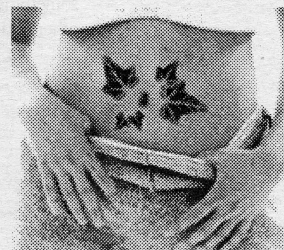
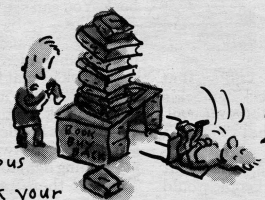


Photo courtesy of an unnamed voyeur.

**A NEW LOOK** — Tanya Donelly's belly is subjected to the decorature of nature and the unpredictable whims of her captor.



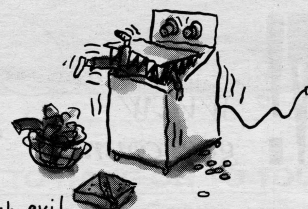
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## Curve Ball

• Q: Which school has the most NAIA Division II Lacrosse Titles (men and women)?

A: Who the hell cares? April Fool's!

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## VCU expelled from CAA

*Rams going back to the Sun Belt?*

**C. Min Bang**  
CS SPORES EDITOR

Deja vu all over again.

Just weeks after accepting an invitation to join the Colonial Athletic Association, VCU has been notified that it will be expelled from the conference July 2, one day after it officially becomes a member.

CAA Commissioner Tom Yeager disclosed this latest and most startling twist to VCU's conference affiliation story in a certified letter sent to VCU President Eugene T. Rani Tuesday.

Yeager cited a desire to incorporate the bulk of the Big South Conference into the current structure of the CAA in his letter.

The Big South includes Radford, Liberty, Coastal Carolina, Winthrop, UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Ashville, Towson State, Maryland-Baltimore County, Campbell and Charleston Southern. However, Charleston Southern will not be invited to the CAA.

The letter indicates that the CAA athletic directors want to cap conference membership at 16.

"Obviously, this scenario leaves VCU and UNC-Wilmington out of the CAA," Yeagermeister said. "Unfortunately, circumstances dictate that VCU and UNC-W not continue to be CAA members if the conference realignment is to occur."

While the selection process was unknown, CAA sources said that three athletic directors met to discuss who to remove and how to do it. The ADs, whom the source could not identify, decided to remove VCU and UNC-W after hours of meetings by evoking the rarely used Rule 69 from the CAA charter.

Rule 69 indicates that old members may be removed without cause by a two-thirds vote of the current membership. Yeager would not comment further on the matter.

Reaction at VCU's athletic department was quick

and fierce.

"This is nothing short of an outrage," said VCU Athletic Director Richard Buffer. "When we accepted that invitation, we thought we had finally found a permanent home. But as it turns out, we play the fool again."

Said T. Rani: "The future of collegiate athletics is in grave danger. If this is what we can expect in the coming years, then clearly there is a succinct possibility that the current infrastructure of collegiate sport will be vanquished by the ambassadors of greed and hypocrisy."

But unlike the last expulsion, which led to legal action by VCU and Virginia Tech, it now appears likely that such measures will be avoided this time.

The Sun Belt Conference, VCU's home from 1979 to 1991, has offered an invitation to all three schools on the outside looking into the new CAA.

Although Sun Belt Commissioner Anita Gay-Love was unavailable for comment, a source within the athletic department at Sun Belt member South Alabama said that the official invitation would be made to the three schools in the next 10 days.

To make the membership an even 12, the league plans to have Texas-Pan American removed.

"The Sun Belt members all look at UT-PA with utter disregard and contempt," the source said. "Ergo, we kick them out."

The source noted that UT-PA would likely join the Southland Conference, which would then kick out Stephen F. Austin because their campus didn't have a 7-11. SFA would then join the American West Conference with Oral Roberts.

Neither Buffer nor T. Rani would comment on the rumor.

During the 1980's, the VCU basketball team went to the NAAs four times and advanced to the NIT twice. There, they had intense rivalries with Old Dominion, now of the CAA, and soon-to-be Metro member Alabama-Birmingham.

## ECHL ousts Renegades

**Kass Traded**  
CT STIFF WRITER

VCU isn't the only sports organization looking for a new home.

The East Coast Hockey League announced plans to remove the Richmond Renegades and Hampton Roads Admirals in order to accept four teams from the Central Hockey League.

ECHL Commissioner notified the two clubs of his planned course of action through a e-mail message to both Renegades general manager Craig Laughlin and Admirals general manager/head coach John Brophy.

The ECHL would admit the Fort Worth Fire, San Antonio Iguanas, Dallas Freeze and Oklahoma City to the league.

The Renegades and Admirals were expelled, according to an ECHL source, because "the league powers finally got to a point where they said 'Damn, we have too many teams!'"

"Obviously, this scenario leaves Richmond and Hampton Roads out of the ECHL," Kelly said in his e-mail. "Unfortunately, the circumstances dictate that Richmond and Hampton Roads not continue to be ECHL members if the league realignment is to occur."

This latest and most surprising twist to the Renegades' league affiliation story comes just days after they announced that they would rebuke the American Hockey League's overtures.

Said Renegades coach Roy Sommer: "What is this, college basketball?"

Brophy was unavailable for comment, although he allegedly started a barroom fight in Norfolk hours after hearing the announcement.

He was released on \$500 bail.

The teams' future is unknown, although it is expected that both teams will petition the International Hockey League for admission.

In an unrelated move, the ECHL expanded to 128 teams by giving franchises to every town in Virginia and North Carolina with a population greater than 4,000.

Among the new teams, to begin play next year: the Chesapeake Cougars, Big Stone Gap Trees, Morgantown (NC) Mudlarks and Kitty Hawk Dune Storm.

The West Point Piranhas' application was rejected because, according to league sources, "the ECHL isn't that desperate."

## Gugliotta traded three times in one day

*Former Bullet ends up with his old team again*

**Cold Salami**  
CS SENIOR WRITER

The Washington Bullets, Golden State Warriors, Minnesota Timberwolves, Philadelphia 76ers, Los Angeles Clippers and the Bullets ... again.

That's the story of Tom Gugliotta's season as the former lottery pick was traded three times yesterday.

"This has been the worst year of my life," he said. "Why is that every team I get traded to stinks?"

The following is a recap of Gugliotta's day:

**11:30 a.m.:** Gugliotta is awakened by a telephone call from John Lucas, the 76ers head coach and general manager. Lucas tells him he now is a Sixer, and he hopes to have him for a long time.

Gugliotta is puzzled by the trade because he liked it in Minnesota.

"I feel like me and Christian (Laettner) were just beginning to find our niche," he said.

When notified of the trade Laettner reportedly threw a fit and beat up one of his teammates.

"Me and him were close," Gugliotta said.

**12:14 p.m.:** Bill Fitch calls Gugliotta and tells him not to pack for Philadelphia. The Clippers gave up two No. 1

picks and Gary Grant to the Sixers for the forward. Gugliotta can't believe what is happening to him. He pinched himself to make sure he isn't dreaming.

"I have to go play for the 'Paper Clips'," he said. "Please someone tell me this is a bad joke."

**2:27 p.m.:** Gugliotta leaves Minnesota for Los Angeles with renewed optimism. He now believes he can fill the missing piece of the Clippers puzzle.

"They just need some guidance and a hard worker," he said.

**4:16 p.m.:** Gugliotta arrives in L.A. and heads to Clipper practice. When he arrives, there are rumors of a trade brewing.

Gugliotta figures that the reporters are talking about the Clippers picking him up. At practice, Fitch comes to Gugliotta and tells him that they hope to have him for a long time.

After listening to Fitch, Gugliotta knows what's about to happen, and he doesn't even uncap.

"I bet I get traded again, probably to another sorry team with my luck," he said.

**6 p.m.:** While out to dinner with some of his "new" teammates, his portable phone rings. It's Jim Lynam, the Bullets coach. He welcomes Gugliotta back into the fold

and promises him that he won't get traded again.

The once and future Bullet is in shock. After vomiting in the bathroom, Gugliotta spoke about his situation.

"I don't know what I did to deserve this," he said. "I think right now I just need directions to the closest bar in town."

In the first trade of the day, Minnesota gave up Gugliotta for Dana Barros. The Sixers said Gugliotta would be an excellent fit in their system.

"We couldn't pass up the opportunity to get him," Lucas said.

A couple of hours after trading for Gugliotta, Lucas received a call from Fitch. He said that he wanted Gugliotta and he would give up anything to get him and he did.

"What a steal," said Harold Katz, Philadelphia's owner. "If we could get rid of Shawn Bradley we would be set."

The final deal of this historical day involved the Clippers and the Bullets. Washington general manager John Nash had regretted trading Gugliotta from Chris Webber all season and wanted the forward back.

"We need his leadership," Nash said.

The Bullets gave up Scott Skiles and Kevin Duckworth for Gugliotta, and Fitch was elated.

"What a great day in Clippers history," he said.