The construction and renovation project for the Commons Dining Hall has altered the entrance, creating a maze of chain-link fences. According to Director of Residence Life Deb Delong, the installation of the fences resulted from the approval of the construction project. She said the installation of the fences required the removal of some magna-tiles in front of the dining hall. According to Associate Director of Planning, Design and Construction Wayne Boy, the fences serve primarily to create a new traffic pattern and to keep people a safe distance from the construction site.

“All chain link areas are blocked off because of future construction,” Boy said. “When we do a project, we have to make sure there’s a safe distance.”

Assists that are currently fenced will either be sites of construction, areas where equipment will be stored or will be used to secure the perimeter of the construction project. According to Boy, the installation of the Commons Dining Hall is on schedule, and the temporary dining facility will be open for student use of the next spring break. In addition to the temporary dining facility, Boy pointed out an area that was fenced off to break the construction crew who made inroads inside the building, replacing the old ceiling and replac- ing it with a temporary ceiling over areas where food is prepared and served.

Boy also commented on the tennis court construction projects which were started due to the cold weather and snow storms. He said that if conditions improve, the courts should be completed within the next month. The construction of the tennis courts was originally scheduled to be completed sometime this month.

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Beyond the 'Burg

U. PENN BEGINS TO OFFER GENDER-NEUTRAL HOUSING

(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA, PA. — As the on-campus housing application process gets underway for next year, students, college house staff and administrators are dealing with the implementation of the new gender-neutral housing policy, which was adopted in early December.

To take advantage of the opportunity to live with those of another gender, students must undergo a separate housing application process.

The policy, which was initially brought up as a way to meet the needs of LGBT students on campus, does not apply to incoming freshmen or students under 18 years of age.

Civic House Associate Council-co-Chair and College senior Bradly Breen, who helped spark the debate over gender-neutral housing in early 2003 by responding to a female friend, expressed concern about the separate application process.

“The separate process perpetuates the inequality of housing,” Breen said.

“It is designed to make people who want co-ed housing jump through extra hoops. The question should simply be: who are you and who do you want to live with?”

However, Wharton junior Kelley Sebrechts, who has decided to live with two other females and one male next year, described the process as relatively simple.

Neither Sebrechts nor any of her future roommates are lesbian or gay.

Breen said he thinks that many students may not be aware of the policy due to a lack of publicity on the part of the University.

Breen said that he was dismayed by how few details he knew about the new policy. “If the person who started the entire process is unaware, what does that say about the rest of the community?”

Spence College House Dean Marilyn Diggs-Thompson said that she has copied the information she received on gender-neutral housing and posted it on bulletin boards around Spence House.

She has also referred to its RA’s and GAS and published the information in its in-house lottery packet.

— By Liz Friedman, Daily Pennsylvanian (U. Pennsylvania)

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Police Beat

Wednesday, Dec. 8 — Vandalism was reported at a vehicle at Old Dominion Hall with estimated damages of $50.

Grand larceny of a bike was reported at Jomax Hall. The bike was valued at $750.

Saturday, Dec. 11 — Vandalism was reported at Emill Hall with estimated damages of $150.

A vehicle was allegedly damaged at the Fraternity Complex, estimated at $140.

Sunday, Dec. 12 — A golf cart was reported damaged at Cabell Hall. The damage was estimated at $150.

Wednesday, Dec. 15 — Grand larceny of a golf cart was reported at Salerno Hall. The estimated value was $500.

Saturday, Dec. 19 — Staff reported grand larceny of a portable radio in the Campus Center. The radio was subsequently recovered.

The estimated value of the radio was $1,000.

Monday, Jan. 3 — A male non-student reported petty larceny of a cell phone at Stadium Drive.

Thursday, Jan. 6 — A male student was referred to the administration for allegedly possessing a T-shirt Delta in Sorority Complex.

Wednesday, Jan. 12 — Staff reported the attempted grand larceny of a vehicle from James Blair Hall. A duplicate key to the vehicle was estimated at $300.

Friday, Jan. 14 — A female student staff member reported the breaking and entering at the Phi Beta in the Campus Center and the theft of a wall clock with an estimated value of $25.

Monday, Jan. 17 — Vandalism was reported at Old Dominion Hall. The value of the items was $150.

Saturday, Jan. 22 — Two male students were referred to the administration and charged with the possession of marijuana at Drink Siddle Hall.

Sunday, Jan. 23 — A male student was referred to the administration for alleged underage possession of alcohol and allegedly drinking in public.

— compiled by Andy Sanka

Street Beat:

How useful did you find The Flat Hat’s bookcase?

手機裡線了四個朋友，我今天就打算和他們一起出門。我最喜歡的飲品就是咖啡，那種熱騰騰的感覺讓我感覺到格外的開心。

“我們今天要出去走走。”

“好啊，我也已經準備好了。”

“我們先去那家咖啡店吧。”

“聽說他們有特別的好菜，我也想嚐嚐看。”

“那好吧，我們就去那家咖啡店吧。”
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THE FLAT HAT

by Tom Pugh

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Under the MICRO-SCOPE

MICRO-SIZE AIRCRAFT PROMISE MILITARY, CIVILIAN APPLICATIONS

By Jhon Evers

The University of Bath and the University of the West of England have been working on miniature unmanned aircraft projects that will eventually be able to fuel themselves, navigate through tight maneuvers, and transmit data. This University of the West of England prototype (six-inch-long) fixed-wing aircraft has been given the name Ecobot II as the University of the West of England. It weighs about 50 grams (1.76 ounces) and can currently achieve a speed of up to 50 meters per hour (99 feet per hour), according to the Dec. 6 online edition of the Daily Science News. Outlined with sensors and cameras, the aircraft could be used for military operations, highway surveillance, fire and rescue, detecting hazardous substances and even for wildlife surveys.

One of the most innovative aspects of the Ecobot II is that it will eventually be autonomous, or capable of functioning self-sufficiently. The aircraft is capable of converting organic materials—such as flies and apples—into energy using microbial fuel cells, according to the Daily Science News. By digesting fat, the aircraft has the potential to fly for long periods of time and to transmit information to people on the ground.

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Proposition may enrich system, but will increase price

The Charter Universities Proposal promoted by the College, alongside University of Virginia and Virginia Tech, may improve the financial endowment of the schools, but will be to the detriment of the entire Commonwealth of Virginia. The mission of Virginia's best schools is to provide an affordable, world-class education to Virginia's students, making opportunities available for everyone, no matter their economic status. Under this proposal, the mission is jeopardized.

As a founding member of the universities’ charter committee, I believe this proposal may impact not only a few, but all Virginia students, faculty, and staff. Education is a public good, and not just by those who pay for it. This is not to say that having a special, social place is unimportant for social fraternities, but it is entirely fair to keep a freshman dorm, especially the most recently renovated one, single- sex from the Office of Residence Life earlier this week. Among the 10 notable changes to current policy, we are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. We are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process.

The new block housing lottery option, depending on how it ends up being implemented, could help offer a alternative to special-interest housing for smaller fraternities. Interested brothers could live in close quarters without having a larger housing unit. This affordability would be to the detriment of the entire Commonwealth of Virginia. The mission of Virginia's best schools is to provide an affordable, world-class education to Virginia's students, making opportunities available for everyone, no matter their economic status. Under this proposal, the mission is jeopardized.

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Housing changes ignite concern

Like most campus-dwelling students, we were surprised to receive the laundry list e-mail from the Office of Residence Life earlier this week. Among the 10 notable changes to current policy, we are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. Many students have voiced a negative opinion per the Barrett and Jefferson alterations, but after some discussion, we believe that the changes won’t create such a “barter problem” as a freshman hall/freshman dorm problem. Historically, Barrett, Jefferson and Chandler Halls were freshmen housing; the latter two seem to have made the transition to co-ed housing without much trouble, and Barrett probably will too. In the long run, the integration of Barrett will allow men to take full advantage of the facilities being provided under the revamped housing plan. It is entirely fair to keep a freshman dorm, especially the most recently renovated one, single-sex from the Office of Residence Life earlier this week. Among the 10 notable changes to current policy, we are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. Many students have voiced a negative opinion per the Barrett and Jefferson alterations, but after some discussion, we believe that the changes won’t create such a “barter problem” as a freshman hall/freshman dorm problem.

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Therefore, I will keep as far away from politics as possible. The inauguration was an offensive act, but I am a student and do not interact as much with other halls. Of the people on the Editorial Board, only those who are interested in housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. We are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. Among the 10 notable changes to current policy, we are particularly concerned about the freshmen hall changes, the spread of special-interest housing and the methodology involved in the College’s decision-making process. Many students have voiced a negative opinion per the Barrett and Jefferson alterations, but after some discussion, we believe that the changes won’t create such a “barter problem” as a freshman hall/freshman dorm problem. Historically, Barrett, Jefferson and Chandler Halls were freshmen housing; the latter two seem to have made the transition to co-ed housing without much trouble, and Barrett probably will too. In the long run, the integration of Barrett will allow men to take full advantage of the facilities being provided under the revamped housing plan.
Anniversary of abortion case sparks response

Cooperation needed to attack root of problem

This last Monday, Jan. 24, was the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision that decriminalized abortion and opened the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Time of thousands gathered on the Ellipse across from the White House for the 32nd March for Life, a yearly gathering of pro-
Lifers that started in a grassroots organization in legalized abortions and its accompanying protests that favor abortion. But, as usual, one nation under God
national demonstrations about the legality of abortions. As I’ve written in The Flat Hat before, the events on Jan.
24 have become stagnant. The campaign expansions of each of the two major politi
cal parties have hijacked the grassroots origin of both sides. The status of abortion in our society is used to mobilize party support, as evident in the most recent election when Bush/Kerry said to elect him so his oppo
nents wouldn’t appoint a pro-choice/pro-life judge to the Supreme Court and continue the slaughter of innocents/make us all government slaves.

We have appeased in the past that we try to find the middle ground that protects the rights of the generation yet to be born and gives every generation living in the direct circumstances the best chances of improv
ing them. But I think we can trust the political manipulators to realize The Flat Hat. If there’s going to be a real change it needs to be won on campuses, with the minds and hearts of the next generation. Then there is Social dialog about pro-choice and pro-life stan
dards of argumentation. I may be insane, but I think that VOX and Students for Life
ents so that we can find the ground we all share. I may disagree with... 7

Pre-choosers, focused on the current human, argue that the life of a woman is different already, adding that a child will only make it more difficult and deplete the chr
eat the children of the opportunities and good conditions that are every child’s right. They have a point as well, so we
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The two sides of the abortion debate have identified themselves as one pro-choice and a form of hypocrisy unto

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Letters to the Editor

Columnist fails to support claims

To the Editor:

Michael Ruff’s critique of political correctness is a crude and unconvincing attempt to debunk liberal ideologies. Some of his complaints are just censoring U.S. history for religious references that is an absurd parody of First Amendment rights — religious tolerance does not mean ense
vile racial stereotypes. However, these extreme attempts to main
dian liberalism.

Instead, he cites “common sense” and a

is a valid ideology. To nearly half of the American
public, it is a form of hypocrisy unto

At a time when dialogue between parties is essential to the unity of our fractured nation, this kind of self-delving is unnecessary and only enforces the sentiment of a middle ground that is supposedly de
caring. Ruff’s rant is not only unsupported but decid
edly offensive in tone. As a member of the pro-life community, I agree with the technical sense of his stance on abortion: ideally, men and women should be responsible for the consequences of their sexual choices. Reducing a woman with an unplanned pregnancy to someone who has “spread
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Can you give me a brief summary of the Christmas in Kampala campaign? Essentially our initial goal was to raise $10,000 to build an orphanage called Meeting Point Kampala. Most if not all are impacted by AIDS, and many of them are orphans. Some of the children are male or female who are the heads of their households. They are being given food and education, and sometimes medical attention as well. What inspired you to start the Christmas in Kampala campaign? You probably see that on CNN when I was there pretty much every night for the duration of what I thought I had to go back. I came over to Uganda from Kampala and was kind of rushed by a number of kids, many of them 3 to 4 years old, and I couldn’t see below my waist, there were so many of them. I went there around Christmas on their 20 minute lunch hours between classes. The average customers in the mall were purged of any reference to the holiday spirit. They were more popular with shoppers than the ever-popular standing line between security and checkout. For some reason shirts like this are extremely hot. Sometimes their family gets access to kids. Sometimes they don’t have a place to stay. They don’t have any place to live. I didn’t have anything in my hand for them. I had a shirt in my hand for them. I wished them to congratulate them because he’d seen the kids. I would say there were at least 10 to 15 kids there. One of the things that always strikes me when I’ve been around them is that their living conditions are so dire, and yet they are ... the happiest and most welcoming people.

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• Interested in making a contribution to the College by serving in student government? Consider joining the Undergraduate Honor Council. Information sessions are held tonight and tomorrow night at 7 p.m. in Tyler Hall room 301. These meetings are mandatory for anyone applying for a position.

• "Team Americus World Police," a film from the creators of South Park, featuring satirical superhero-fighting terrorism, is showing tonight at 7 and 9:30 p.m. in the University Center Commonwealth Auditorium, which is part of UCAB's Blackhouser Movie series. Tickets are $2.

• "The Machinist," a suspenseful psychological thriller starring Christian Bale as a penal industrial worker who has not slept in a year and believes he is being targeted by an unknown malefactor, shows at the Kimball tonight at 8:45 and 8:45 p.m. Tickets are $5.50.


Wednesday

• "The Accidentals," a student a cappella and comedy group, perform at 7:30 p.m. in Phi Beta Kappa Hall. Sponsored by the Student Advancement Association, The Accidentals, starring Stewards, I.T., and The Gentlemen of the College perform at 7:30 p.m. in Phi Beta Kappa Hall.

• Visit the Muscarelle Museum of Art today to view the 9th Annual Faculty Show showcasing the artwork of the College’s fine arts faculty. A limited number of objects will be available for sale at the show. Admission is free and the museum is open from noon to 4:45 p.m. today.


Thursday

• See your favorite a cappella and comedy groups in concert tonight at the Michael Cross Benefit Show sponsored by the Student Advancement Association and the Government Department. The Accidentals, Stewards, I.T., and The Gentlemen of the College perform at 7:30 p.m. in Phi Beta Kappa Hall.

• For more information, see the Briefs section.


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Horoscopes

TAURUS: April 20 - May 20

Stuck on choosing classes and work and campus food... let's just say these haven't been the best couple of weeks. But back up, Taurus, the worst is over.

GEMINI: May 21 - June 21

You're probably feeling for spring like the heat and the scorching sun. Here's where you are feeling yourself. You might need a little push to get you started. But try your best not to let the heat get to you. So be careful.

CANCER: June 22 - July 22

You're all peaked up for a trip to visit old friends. As long as you remember that people change, you can expect a refreshing vacation for yourself.

LEO: July 23 - Aug. 22

Beware for a sudden turn for the worse. Remember that sense of foreboding is no way to maintain important friendships. Remember that friend of yours, the one behind your back? He was. Be ready for that one.

VIRGO: Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Look out! You're feeling a bit tense and you're back on the prowl. Beware of the rebound, though. Don't look forward to settling for less than you have before.

LIBRA: Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Remember that bullying things up inside can lead to negative influences and bad personal feelings. Real friends can weather a few showers, so don't be afraid to start one.

SCORPIO: Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Whether with someone or still looking for that special person to warm the wintry nights. Scorpios should expect to be lucky in love this Valentine season.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

So sweeping out or almost wiping out on all the dice this week wasn't so hot. But no worries, next week promises to be absolutely fabulously... not slippery.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

Don't worry about all that salt/sand winter mix embedded in your carpet. The heat suits and your sink feels, at least your floor won't freeze.

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Just keep your wits about you and don't put all of your eggs in one basket, otherwise disaster could strike.

PISCES: Feb. 19 - March 20

Remember that friend of yours, the one you always suspected of trashtalking you behind your back? He was. Be ready for that one.

MARCH 21 - APRIL 19

This week, things are going your way. Enjoy your wins and keep your head up. But be careful not to let the rest of us. Hang in there a little longer.

APRIL 20 - MAY 20

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MAY 21 - JUNE 21

Add another. Remember last weekend? You'll want to avoid doing that again.

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government intrusion, while continuing to respect the
to legal “public protection, promotion, and other such
Where you are asking why you should care. You
were either having sex with someone you didn't
darkly out arrests, or you weren't having sex and you're
to going change your habits now that it's legal. It's not as if anyone ever stopped to the beat of the
moment to worry about the fornication statute. The
losing lawyer complained that the ruling would limit
the state's ability to regulate sexual acts. That’s the
point. We should care because, as predominately unn
adults in the state of Virginia, we now have the
bathrooms, close-killed fliers or whatever other private
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citizens that is it involves to have before mar
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any rights to impose that invariably on other people. The
right to privacy of one's sexual choices is something
we should all value and jumric. No one belongs in
your sex life, but those that you invite and consent to

What's your favorite artistic medium?
Stereo.

What do you plan on doing after gradua
What is your dream job — or one of them?

Betty Crocker — for her personality.

For the first interview of the new year and

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Author draws readers and audiences ‘Closer’ to pain, love

‘Eternal’ love, lust and transvestites dominate films of 2004

By KLG Mica
PLAYING THE STAGE STAFF WRITER

1. “Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind.” Michael Gondry’s labyrinthine exploration of half-remembered heartbreak and the possibility of erasing one’s memories in the laboratory is 2004’s most inspired, provocative film; it somehow succeeds in being both grueling and almost absurdly enamored. Scowling neroviches in lieu of smirks. It’s usually a scenario that would be the stuff of playful, perversely sexualized, first-person point-of-view films. It is, however, actually something far more emotionally honest and sincere than any other relationship drama I’ve seen this year. A brilliant movie, it manages to balance the joy of love and the agony of loss, and it manages to do so in a way that is universally relatable, even if the specifics of the story are not. It is a film about love, loss, and the pain of memories. It is a film about the power of the human mind, and the way it works to shape our sense of reality. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by our memories, and the ways in which we are shaped by our hopes and dreams. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the people we love. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the world. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we do. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we say. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we think. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we feel. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we dream. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we hope. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we fear. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we love. It is a film about the ways in which we are shaped by the things we hate. 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“SOPRANOS”  Feature 13

Sopranos returns to the plate with an equally magnificent new series—an hour-and-a-half of what used to be HBO's prime-time hit. And while it sometimes seems as though the show's creators are trying to stretch a one-hour episode into a one-and-a-half-hour one, the show still provides some of the best television to be found. In fact, it's hard to believe that the show has been on the air for almost 10 years. It's amazing to think that we've been watching this show for so long, and yet it still manages to keep us coming back for more.

“THE ROYAL TENENBAUMS”  Feature 13

The Royal Tenenbaums is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving. It tells the story of the Tenenbaum family, a family that is known for its eccentricity and its problems. The film is directed by Wes Anderson, and it is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving.

“BOTTLE ROCKET”  Feature 13

Bottle Rocket is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving. It tells the story of a group of four young men who are trying to make it in the music business. The film is directed by Wes Anderson, and it is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving.

“CLOSER”  Feature 13

Closer is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving. It tells the story of a group of four people who are trying to find love in the midst of a world that is filled with heartache and pain. The film is directed by Wes Anderson, and it is a film that is both visually stunning and deeply moving.

“AMERICAN SPLENDOR”  Feature 13

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Though “Ruddigore” is not one of Gilbert and Sullivan’s best — there is very little unity between the first and second acts, entire
act, which gives new meaning to performance art, a close second

both actors relish in the wicked duality of their characters and
Beate Cheletzky (junior Kevin Duke) at the end of Act I. Once again the theme of

Iota is the ideal place for a band
Iota’s red candles and wine

Earlimart’s greatest strength is the same as its greatest
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weeping and cursing and pulling
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keyboard and female harmonies.

But once the nighttime turns to
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But that may not be great because it is.

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The season is still young for the Tribe's women's basketball team. With a 2-5 record, the Tribe and Head Coach Debbie Taylor have yet a lot of work ahead of them. Sunday, the team fell to Towson (10-8, 4-2 CAA) 83-73. Despite a game-high 22 points from Taylor, the Tribe had a hard time with the Tigers. "It was a five point game at halftime, but we then let Towson back in with a free throw and a pair of three-pointers. However, consecutive three-pointers from freshmen guards Nathan Moss and Edwin Ofori Attah took the lead back up to 18," Taylor said. With eight minutes, 23 seconds left in the game, Towson came within six points of the Tribe. A dunk by Confident and another game-high three-pointer by Ofori Attah brought the Tribe's lead back up to 11.

Towson tried to get a rally going, but the Tribe held strong and expanded their lead to 18 with a jump by Ofori Attah and a rivalry of six free throws by Kristine Brizendine and Confident. With 13 left in the game, Towson forward Hardwick不像他现在在Towson's court, but we kept thinking about next game because of surgery that was needed to repair a torn ligament in his foot. Chad caught his game because of surgery that was needed to repair a torn ligament in his foot.

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**Fitwell Fitness**

**Life Sports: Get Involved**

The spring semester of Fitwell classes began Jan. 24. According to instructor Laura Golden, “The Fitwell program is hugely beneficial. It provides a multitude of exercise classes that are varied in their content. Classes focus on cardio, muscle sculpting, strength and flexibility. They are all taught by William and Mary students who keep the classes fresh and fun.”

The Fitwell studio is located in W&M Hall. Students can purchase a Fitwell pass for the spring semester for $45, which is good from Jan. 24 to Apr. 28. Students can also purchase a daily pass for $3.

A 10-week strength training program for the fall semester turned many exercise-minded students into Fitwell instructors. The program provided instruction in basic anatomy, physiology and kinesiology as well as techniques specific to the courses the students would be teaching. To be fully qualified, the students had to take a nationally certified exam. The Flat Hat interviewed a random set of instructors about the classes they teach.

**Instructor: Heather Delby**

**Your:** Senior  
**Major:** American Studies  
**Classes:** Kickboxing, 80/100s, Cycling, Pilates  
**Time:** Monday, 7:40 p.m. (Kickboxing)  
**Wednesday, 7:40 p.m. (80/100s)  
**Thursday, 7 a.m. (Cycling)**

**In her own words:** “It’s so much fun to work out with a group of people. There is so much energy and a great instructor there to keep you motivated.”

**Instructor: Emily Stallings**

**Your:** Sophomore  
**Major:** Kinesiology  
**Class:** Spin  
**Time:** Monday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, 2:40 to 3:40 p.m.**

**In her own words:** “A Fitwell class is great to hold on Wednesday night. Classes offered by the Fitwell program range from cycling and yoga to kickboxing and hip-hop dance.”

**Sports Calendar**

**Jan. 29 to Feb. 4**  
**— compiled by meghan shea**

**Saturday**

- Don’t be lazy this afternoon. Instead, spend the late afternoon cheering on the men’s tennis team at the McCormack-Nagelson Tennis Center at 4 p.m. The match is against No. 51 University of Michigan.

**Sunday**

- Show your support for the women’s basketball team some support today as they face Towson University at 2 p.m. The team will be playing at W&M Hall. Is basketball not for you, how about tennis? The women’s tennis team plays West Virginia University at 11 a.m. and then James Madison University at 3 p.m. at the McCormack-Nagelson Tennis Center.

**Monday**

- Make your way to the McCormack-Nagelson Tennis Center (over near the Law school) to support the men’s tennis team at 3 p.m. The team faces No. 98 University of Louisiana, Lafayette.

**Tuesday**

- Do you like basketball? Are you a girl? You should try out the women’s basketball club team! They practice Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Miller Gym at the Recreation Center.

**Wednesday**

- Show some Tribe Pride. Head over to the men’s basketball game after eating dinner at the Caf. The team faces Drexel University at W&M Hall at 7 p.m.

**Thursday**

- Looking for something to do this afternoon? Watch the Fencing Club from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Fencing Room in W&M Hall.

**Friday**

- Today is a great day to begin your New Year’s Resolution workout plan that you should have started last month. Explore the Recreation Center. Find out all the many things it has to offer. Sign up for a class, lift weights, run on the treadmill or shoot some hoops.

If you would like your sport, event, or activity to appear on the sports calendar, e-mail fhsprt@wm.edu by 5 p.m. Wednesday.
Students experienced freezing temperatures and icy walkways last weekend. Some evening and early morning classes were canceled, but most students and faculty traversed a beautiful winter campus.

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