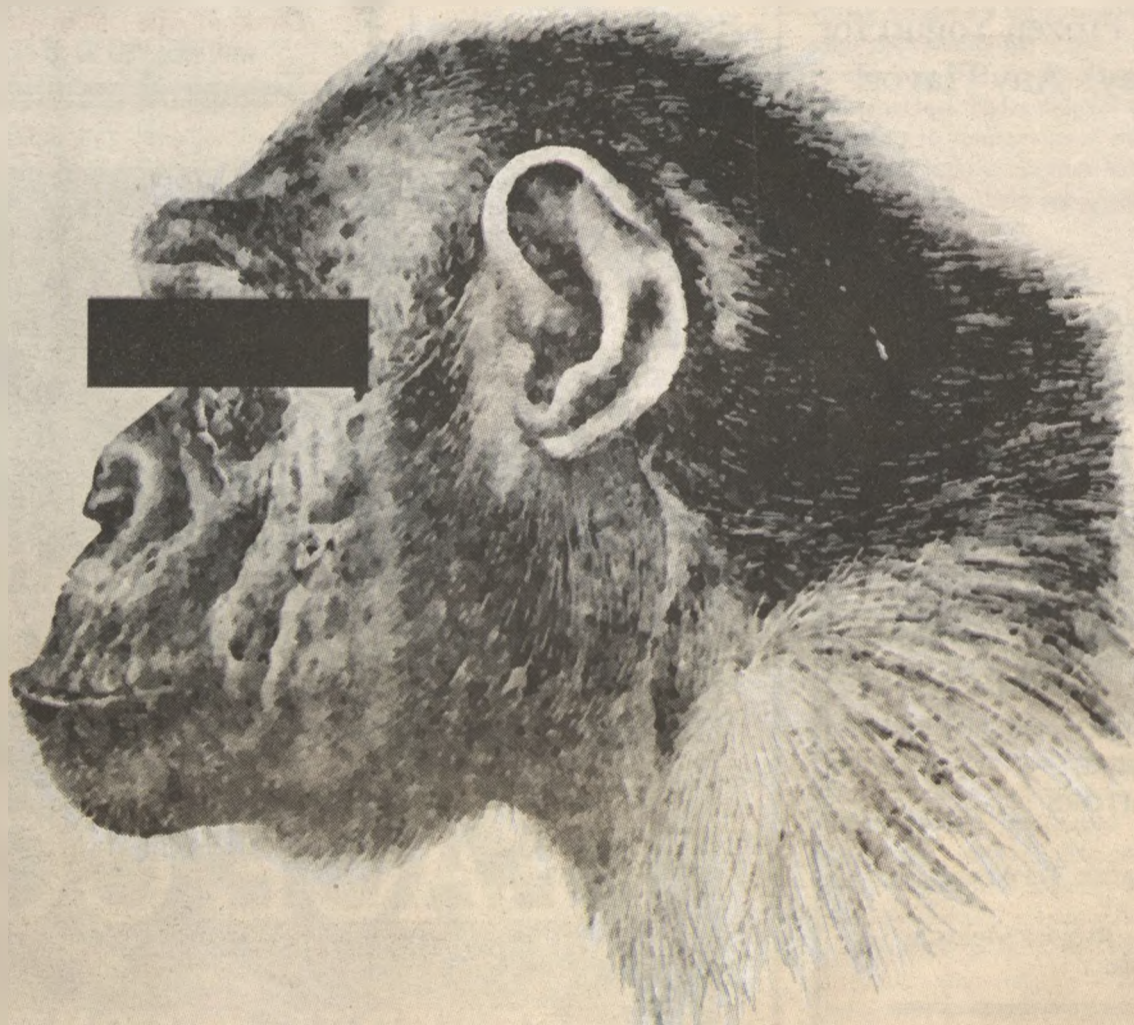


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Thursday, September 17

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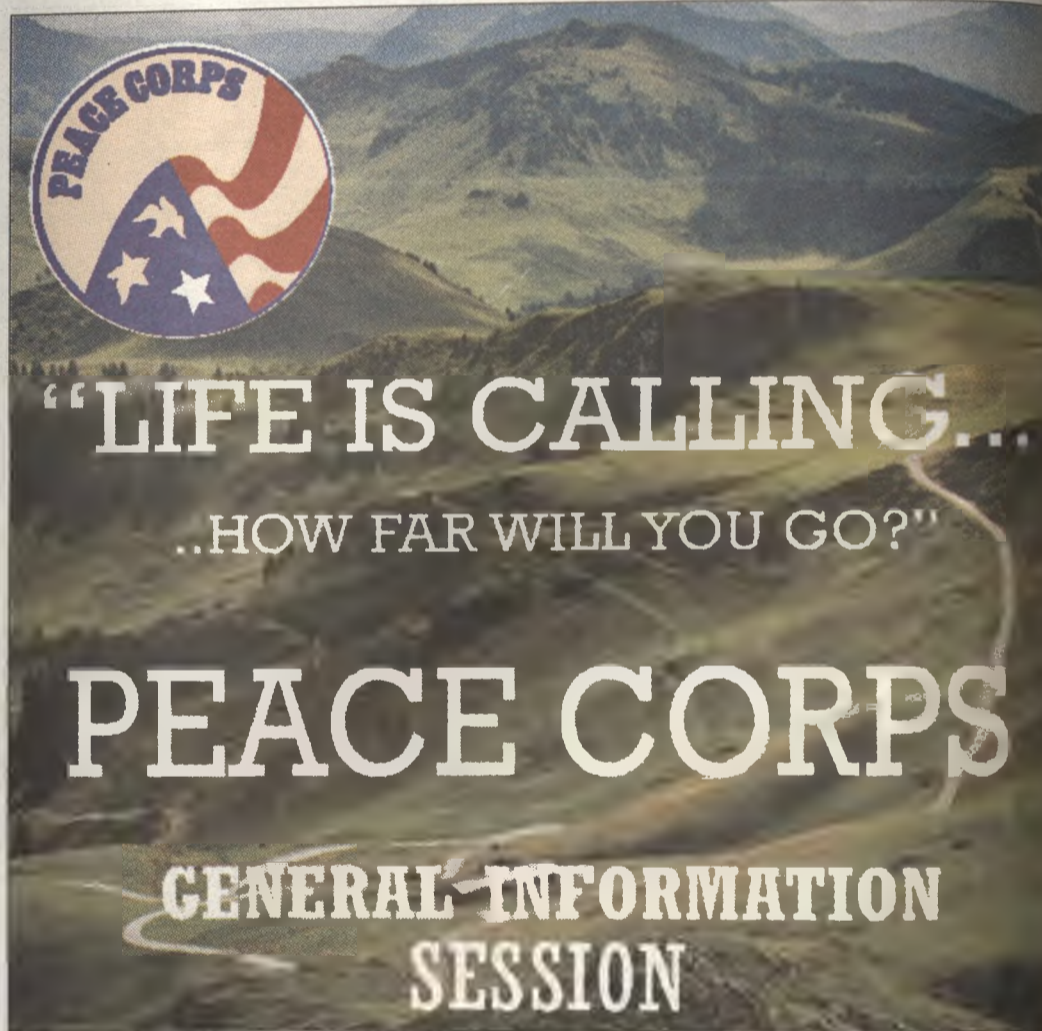
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# OPINIONS

Our point of view...

## Don't honor Columbus with VSU's Fall Break

At the first meeting of the semester, it was brought to the attention of the Faculty Senate that the two day vacation in October was being called "Columbus Day Break", and some faculty members were not pleased.

Dr. Fred Knowles, Chair of the Native American Studies Department, feels that calling this short vacation "Columbus Day Break" praises Christopher Columbus, even though he exploited and killed many Native Americans.

"I must strongly protest the labeling of this holiday as Columbus Day," wrote Knowles. "Columbus represents colonialism and genocide to Native Americans and the recognition a day to celebrate his deeds is falling in disfavor throughout the nation."

The suggestion to change the name of this holiday break has gone to a committee, and Dr. Knowles expects to know more on VSU's decision after today's Faculty Senate meeting.

We at The Spectator fully support Dr. Knowles efforts to get the name of this holiday changed. While some might feel that this is going too far to be politically correct, we believe that, in 2015, keeping holidays in honor of people who killed and took away from others is primitive.

From the time that you're in

elementary school, you learn that Columbus discovered America and is the reason that you are here. However, it is not until high school or college that you learn details about Columbus's adventure.

In higher education you learn that he was not actually looking for America when he stumbled upon a land that was already called "home" by so many. You also learn that Columbus did not treat the natives well. He enslaved them, gave them diseases and slaughtered them. Columbus was the beginning of the demise of the rich and beautiful Native American culture.

It took Native Americans thousands of years to build their culture, and they are still suffering from the way that they were treated by the Europeans.

For that matter, The Spectator staff believes no holiday should be named in honor of anyone who oppressed, killed, or enslaved other human beings.

It is time for our university to become a place where all cultures are respected and taken into consideration.

The Spectator staff hopes VSU will take the history of Columbus' exploit into consideration when deciding what to name this 2-day holiday.

*This editorial was written by a member of the editorial staff and expresses the general opinion of The Spectator.*

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## 'Kyga' still not socially acceptable

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Well, the cat is finally out of the bag.

As if it wasn't known by the entire country already, Tyga and Kylie Jenner's relationship is finally out and in the open. For almost a year, rumors had been circulating that the two were an item. Of course, since Kylie was only 17 and Tyga was 25, the two constantly shut down any accusation that they were together.

Now that Jenner is finally 18

(also known as legal), the secret is finally out and the two aren't hiding the relationship "that they never had" anymore. Jenner and Tyga have officially become "Kyga."

Even after Jenner first turned 18, the couple still denied that they were dating. Their relationship was still in question until Tyga released his new video for "Stimulated" two weeks ago. Jenner plays as Tyga's love interest in the video, and it's clear that the song is actually about her. Throughout the song, Tyga repeats the line, "She a big girl,

dog." Yes, she is a big girl...now. The fact that Tyga even made the song is actually pretty disturbing. It's as if he's trying to justify dating Jenner while she was still a minor. Not to mention, his lyrics about her clearly have a sexual connotation. Since when did a grown man talking about sex with a young girl become appealing?

Several people compare Tyga and Jenner's relationship to the Weeknd and his new model girlfriend's relationship. Just like Jenner, Bella Hadid also just turned 18. She and the Weeknd had also been dating while she was still a

minor, but for some reason, we never seemed to criticize their relationship, let alone hear about it.

People claim that it's unfair for Tyga and Jenner to be criticized when the Weeknd and Hadid did the same thing. This is true, but it also has to be kept in mind who we're dealing with. Anything surrounding the Kardashians/Jenner clan is big news and all over the media. The Weeknd, on the other hand, is pretty low-key and is not very prominent in the media. And as for his girlfriend—well, many people don't even know who she is. Therefore, it's been known for

about a year that Tyga and Jenner were a thing when most people just discovered a couple weeks ago that the Weeknd even has a girlfriend.

Again, we're living in a world where celebrities get away with things that the average human being would never be able to. In a normal person's world, both Tyga and the Weeknd are pedophiles and would be classified as a sex offender. Yet somehow, in the celebrity world, their relationships with under aged girls are acceptable.

## Sanders sneaks up in polls

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Senator Bernie Sanders is quickly rising in popularity and closing the gap between himself and front runner, Hillary Clinton, on the Democratic side of the upcoming election. Sander's popularity is especially high among millennial voters, and it's not hard to understand why.

Sanders first held the office of representative for Vermont's at-large district in 1991 until 2006. In 2007, he was elected Senator of Vermont. Sanders has the perfect amount of experience to appeal to voters, because it is enough to show that he knows his way around Washington.

Senator Sanders considers himself a member of the Independent Party, which is another appealing factor to many millennials, but he will be running in hopes of winning the Democratic nomination. Sanders has been able to gain a

22 point lead on Clinton because many women and young people are drawn to his policy ideas and know they do not have to worry about whether or not he is in the race for the wrong reasons. Sanders makes it very obvious through his political campaigning that he is in the presidential candidacy race for the people and to better America.

Sanders is running for President to create more high paying jobs, particularly for young Americans, demilitarize America's police force, increase equality between men and women, and to create an environment where immigrants can flourish and contribute to the growth of America.

These desires are appealing to young Americans who want the same opportunity for employment after college that the generations before us had. These policies are appealing to young women who want their right to abortion to remain intact, and they are appeal-

ing to Americans who want to see their country continue the "melting pot" ideal that was taught to them in grade school.

On top of the progressive platforms Sanders is running on, he does not have the same controversial background as his biggest competitor. Clinton has to carry around the baggage of the decisions made during her time as Secretary of State, while Sanders has a comparatively clean slate.

Sanders has a far less flashy approach to winning the nomination than Clinton, and he is much more politically correct than Donald Trump. This is what appeals to many well-informed voters. People pulling for Sanders want the facts, and they want to know what he can do for America.

While it's still too soon to tell who will win the Democratic nomination, one thing is for sure: young people love Senator Bernie Sanders, and that is the main reason that he is sneaking up on Clinton in the polls.



## Trump stumps critics

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Political analysts all over the country are admitting that they were wrong; after predicting a quick demise of Donald Trump's presidential campaign, he's still in the game. In fact, he's stronger than ever. According to CNN, Trump is leading nearly every poll nationally and in early voting states.

Plenty of people still dislike Trump, which was evidenced recently when spectators booed him upon his arrival to the U.S. Open Tennis Championships. But Trump's Republican fan base is ever growing, and his rise to the top doesn't show signs of slowing anytime soon.

How can this be? He insults women. He rails against immigrants. His speech is bombastic

and his personality blunt. He breaks almost every rule of the well-manicured and politically correct circus that is the presidential elections.

National Public Radio's Mara Liasson, who originally thought Trump would flame out in a matter of weeks, recognized that Trump's absolute disregard for proper political behavior is probably one of the main reasons he's succeeding. At a time when people are anti-establishment, anti-government and anti-politics, Trump is a big middle finger aimed right at Washington.

The stagnation of the middle class over the last several years has America frustrated with politics, with its endless gridlock, partisan bickering, and fake smiles and clever words spoken only to get a vote.

Right now, people don't want politically correct. They want

straightforward and honest, a candidate who stands strongly in their beliefs instead of quietly hopping from one foot to the other while trying to please everybody. Trump is certainly that candidate.

His success seems to defy logic. Even after offending so many, he remains on top, and it's largely because he's tearing apart the red tape of politics, portraying a new kind of candidate who says exactly what he thinks. People, whether they realize it or not, are drawn to that stark frankness.

Only time will tell if Trump will triumph. And if you're one of those people who thinks Trump is all wrong, and you're pulling your hair out every time you hear of a new Trump poll victory, just remember what Bill Clinton once said: "When people are insecure, they'd rather have somebody who is strong and wrong than someone who's weak and right."

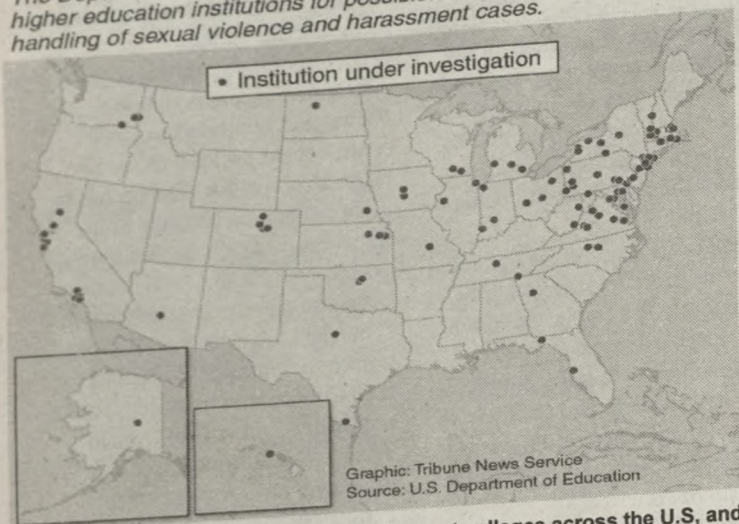
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OPINIONS

# My nipples aren't for you

## Title IX investigations

The Department of Education is investigating 112 cases at 105 higher education institutions for possible civil rights violations in the handling of sexual violence and harassment cases.



Sexual assault is a reoccurring problems at colleges across the U.S, and this map shows where the current ongoing cases are around the country. MCT Campus

## VSU can't prevent sexual assault without the students

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From Valdosta State's most recent statistics, in 2013, students reported six attempted sexual assaults; one reported assault, and seven rapes. The rape reports have decreased by half since 2011, but attempted sexual assaults are up; there were none in 2011. The question often arises if universities are doing enough to protect college students from sexual misconduct.

The yellow emergency posts spread around campus are designed with an option for an emergency call button or the emergency phones. All of these posts have bird's eye view cameras on them and are viewed in the VPD office.

The VSU Student Code of Conduct is straight forward in its mission to prevent assaults and explains the consequences the assaulter will face as well as the rights of the victim. There's also a medical amnesty guide for students after any type of sexual harassment. This guide states that their purpose is to send a clear message to students that their health and safety is of primary importance and the consideration of their welfare and that of others should not be hindered for fear of sanctions through the university office responsible for student conduct.

Last spring the university joined the national "It's On Us" movement for sexual assault awareness in April. When students signed the pledge, it was a promise that they would be a part of the solution to keep people safe from assaults and never be a bystander. The

pledge wants to make the community responsible for the solution so that sexual violence will end.

"There aren't enough of the safety posts on campus they all seem to be in weird locations. When I push the button, would VPD be there?" asked Khadijah Wright, senior communications major.

"I already don't feel safe on campus with all of the robberies in the past year, even more being on campus at night alone. I never see the police just walking around campus; they don't have a real presence," said Briana Herrien, senior marketing major.

The website also mentions that certain organizations are offering prevention programs. VSU police, The Haven, and the VSU Counseling Center are all partners working against sexual assault. So there are plenty of outlets for coping and making sure that you are protected after an incident.

The point is that you can't prevent sexual assault from happening. No pamphlet and seminar can stop a malicious person from being cruel and doing something that they want to do. What we can do, as students is make sure that we inform ourselves. People have to be aware of their surroundings and know the signs of an assaulter when around one.

For more information on preventing sexual assault, you can visit the Office of Health Promotions website. More important resources:

The Haven: 229.244.4477.  
VSU Police: 229.333.7816.  
VSU Counseling Center:  
229.333.5940. or 229.259.5555.

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So, you know that being sexually attracted to feet or chubby and larger people are fetishes. Well, guess what? If you like boobs, join the club, because being sexually attracted to breasts is also a fetish.

Breast fetishism (also known as mastofact, breast partialism, or mazophilia) is different from the first two fetishes mentioned for the simple fact that it puts unnecessary stresses on females and aids in inequality.

Females don't have to cover up their freshly manicured feet, because someone may find it distracting or arousing. Nor do my plus-sized ladies and I have to wear long cloaks or robes to hide our bodies from chubby chasers.

So why do women have to hide their nip nips from the public?

No one bats an eye if a guy goes running with no shirt on, but let a female do the same thing, and all of a sudden we have indecency.

It's time to call out this double standard.

That's exactly what some women have done with the "Free the Nipple" campaign. These activists have come together to fight against the censorship of female nipples. A movie has been made, not without a few problems from law enforcement, called "Free the Nipple."

Many celebrities like Miley Cyrus and Rihanna have become supporters of this movement too. Though it was removed from

Instagram, Cyrus posted a topless photo.

Breasts are secondary sexual characteristics, first off. You know what is also in that category? Facial hair. Yet people do not have to cover it up or shave when they are out in public.

Women are being locked up and fined for exposing their nipples. This happens in states where it is legal to be topless like New York and Georgia. A woman named Jessica Krigsman was arrested after sitting on a bench topless in New York back in 2013 according to New York Daily News.

It has been legal to be topless in New York since 1992.

**"Women are being locked up and fined for exposing their nipples."**

According to Krigsman, a man was sitting on a nearby bench dressed in the same fashion and ignored during the ordeal, even after Krigsman pointed him out to the officers.

This censorship is found throughout social media as well. Though some sites have made positive strides—like Facebook allowing photos of breastfeeding mothers—any other type of nipple exposure, on the body of someone with a vagina, is not allowed. Because, you know, we don't want anyone being exposed to indecency on the Internet. It's better to scroll through the be-headings of humans on Facebook and the beautiful, busty blondes

on pornhub.

What two consenting adults do in private is their business, but nipples aren't there for sexual partners. They are biologically for babies to be fed, which is a necessity. Nips popping out to give people a show (strip clubs, billboards, movies, etc.) is OK, but don't you dare expose them to feed a hungry baby.

So somehow if my breasts aren't being used for sexual pleasure, I'm indecent? That's what society is telling all women when mothers must feed their infant in the same place that people crap and pee. Other than former Mean Girl protagonist, Cady Heron, who do you know who dines in the bathroom? So why are we forcing babies to?

These difficulties in breastfeeding can also aid in postpartum depression. Mothers who go through this need support, and nothing says support louder than forcing them to cover up and isolate themselves, thus inducing feelings of shame when caring for their child.

It used to be indecent for a man to show his nipples back in the mid-1930s. Men fought against that law and, well, you can clearly see how that worked out. Many women want those same results, or in other words, equality.

Women can't control the way any person views them, and they shouldn't have to just like men don't have to. Men and women should be held to the same expectations and freedoms.

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# NEWS

### Random Monkey Facts

- Howler monkeys spend up to 80% of their time resting.
- Male squirrel monkeys sometimes assert dominance by urinating on subordinates
- Grinning, pulling the lip and yawning are signs of aggression in monkeys
- A howler monkey's howl can be heard for three miles in an open area.

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**Boo Radley** @bradley3FR · Sep 10  
Be safe out there folks. They sling poop.

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**Demarcus Daniels** @baebus32 · Sep 10  
Remember where you were on this 9/10/15...the day their takeover began.

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# VSU goes bananas



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## Social media and campus ablaze over escaped monkey

VSU was caught in a state of monkey business on Thursday, Sept. 10.

According to VSU biology professor, Colleen McDonough who specializes in animal behavior, coming into contact with the monkey could be dangerous. McDonough said that the monkey is considered to be wild and warns people not to go near the monkey if they see it.

An alert was sent out via text warning the VSU populace that an escaped monkey was spotted near campus. The alert also warned people not to touch the animal, but to call VSU Police or 911.

Social media was ablaze. Users were posting tweets, yaks and posts about the sighting of the alleged monkey.

According to the Valdosta Police Department, VSUPD was alerted of the monkey sighting by Valdosta police.

Valdosta Police Chief Brian

Childress told the Valdosta Daily Times in an article published today that "if there is a monkey, [it] is still at large and was last reported seen traveling towards Madison County, Fla."

The Valdosta Daily Times also reported that the monkey has not been found.

However, in the same article, the monkey has had reported sightings starting the week prior to the VSU alert being sent out.

The question on everyone's mind: is where did the monkey come from?

"I think that it's a pet that got away," Dr. McDonough said. "I feel bad for it, because it's probably someone's pet and it's probably hungry."

This is not the first time that a monkey has run rampant in Valdosta.

According to both Dr. McDonough and the Valdosta Daily Times, another monkey named "General" escaped several years ago and was never found.

An escaped monkey doesn't happen often, and when it does, it brings out the humorous side

of VSU.

"The monkey could've come from Wild Adventures, or the Alphas let the monkey out," said Tahbius Hughes, a junior music major. "That's my theory... I love monkeys."

Dr. McDonough also found humor in the situation. According to her, she and the biology department talked utilizing bananas to lure the monkey out.

If anyone sees the monkey, he or she is urged to contact VSUPD or 911.



**Christopher J. Wiley** @WILEY\_CbyUte · Sep 10  
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# NEWS

## Republican candidates tackle the top issues in debate

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In an almost party-like atmosphere, the Valdosta State College Republicans settled in Wednesday night to watch the CNN Republican Presidential Debate. The group of enthusiastic conservatives watched the eleven most popular Republican candidates take the stage to debate the most important issues of the election and court the Republican primary voters all over the country, including those within the large classroom in Nevins Hall. The debate opened into what can only be described as "personal" issues, with candidates taking swings at each other. This was quite in contrast with sophomore,

Caleb Leon's hope that candidates would show "something real—policy ideas, not just political tricks." However, this did not last long, and the candidates quickly began to turn to serious issues.

Foreign policy loomed large with real differences emerging between those on stage. Candidates such as Senator Paul and Governor Kasich took moderate stances, with Paul emphasizing that interventionism had made America less safe and Kasich discussing the importance of alliances. Cruz and Fiorina, in contrast, pushed the primacy of an ever-stronger military and the

expansions needed. In domestic policy, social issues loomed very large in the debate—in particular, Planned Parenthood. All candidates agreed that Planned Parenthood should

**"something real—policy ideas, not just political tricks."**

**Caleb Leon**

be defunded and federal and state money should instead be routed to other women's health services. Candidates such as Governors Bush, Walker, Christie and Huckabee emphasized their pro-life records in their states. The main difference between candidates was that some candidates, such as Senator Cruz, were willing to risk a government shutdown. Most however, said that

such risks would be catastrophic to the country and the Republican Party.

Immigration was also a vital issue in the debate. A powerful voice here was Senator Rubio who claimed that not only did the border need to be secured, but the legal immigration system had to be fixed and friendlier to the immigrants we need like engineers. There were also disagreements regarding deportation, with some candidates like Bush and Carson supporting paths to citizenship, and others like Trump and Cruz supporting complete deportation.

Another major element of the debate was economics. Carly Fiorina and Donald Trump sparred over their business careers with issues such as Trump's bankruptcies and Fiorina's firing from Hewlett-Packard being brought up. More

importantly though, was issue taxation and the minimum wage. Most candidates did not support raising the minimum wage. In regards to taxation, many candidates such as Senator Paul and Carson supported flat tax proposals, while candidates like Donald Trump supported a progressive tax like we have today with high earners paying a larger percentage of income in taxes.

This is only a brief overview of an exciting three-hour debate that cannot be emphasized enough. Watching this debate is absolutely crucial to making an informed decision in this election. However, if one thing is certain, it is that among conservatives like those at the Valdosta State College Republicans, the race is far from over and decisions far from made.



Courtesy of VSU

### Chief of police addresses campus safety

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The amount of safety a college provides affects the decisions made by students who are looking to go there. Parents want their children in a safe environment, and students want a comfortable place to learn. With campus safety being a factor in enrollment, it is essential that VSU ensures a secure university. The morning of Sept. 8 there were several break-ins that occurred at Sustella Parking Deck. The suspects were caught in the act and apprehended. This does not change the fact that some students fear the security cameras in the parking deck are not on or recording. However, students should know that the cameras are always being monitored in the police station. In fact, there are a number of safety features and procedures that VSU has to ensure the safety of students.

According to VSU's Chief of Police, Ronald Seacrist,

there are well over a hundred blue-light phones across campus that undergo maintenance checks weekly, a crime prevention officer, crime alerts, and a 24-hour escort service, among many other routines that officers have to keep students safe.

"We go beyond what is technically required, as far as providing a service to the community, to try and enhance the safety of the campus," said Seacrist.

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VSU Chief of Police

the city police department," said Seacrist. When searching for colleges, it is important not to look solely at numbers of crimes, because that varies with population, but to look at how the police handle these crimes and what the campus does to keep students safe.

### Faculty senate to discuss Columbus Day calendar complaint

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Today, the Faculty Senate congregates in the University Center Magnolia Room at 3:30 p.m. for the September meeting. One item on the agenda will be how VSU will observe Fall Break.

Fred Knowles, Chair of Native American Studies, wrote a letter to the Faculty Senate to express his displeasure with Fall Break being called Columbus Day on VSU's Academic Calendar.

"Columbus represents colonialism and genocide to Native Americans, and the recognition a day to celebrate his deeds is falling in disfavor throughout the

nation," said Dr. Knowles. VSU students support Dr. Knowles's assessment of keeping the title.

Joshua Hardy, a freshman environmental science student, agrees with Dr. Knowles due to what Columbus represents.

"I don't think we should change it and give into negative connotation of history," said Hardy.

### Hopper implements new upgrades for residents

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Housing and Residence Life has been busy this past school year with planning and executing the many different ways they wanted to change the scope of what it means to "live on campus."

"This is my first year living on campus, and living on campus is so different from Blanton," said Alexis Brooks, business management major. "Blanton had so much more space and it's an adjustment to get used to. Hopper is cool though."

In the past year, on-campus housing has gotten a bad rep. Students have talked about how color cards were tedious and how much of a hassle it was to have visitors.

According to the Residence Hall Director, Angel Maxwell, Hopper Hall—the upperclassmen, suite-style dorm—has many projects that are in the works. Maxwell is one of the newest residence hall directors who started in August 2015. He's from Southern

California, and he is a graduate of California State University, San Bernardino where he was a resident advisor and hall coordinator for two years.

The use of color cards is still being implemented in Hopper Hall to ensure the safety of the residents and staff. Maxwell said that they are becoming more economically and environmentally savvy, and they are saving money and paper by doing personal inventory statements electronically with iPads and also with checking visitors in and out.

Maxwell also spoke about the update with getting new computers for the hall, in the offices, and front desk. The laundry rooms were also an issue, and they are being improved as well. Maxwell said that the Housing and Residence Life department were moving towards getting new washers and dryers for students in Hopper Hall, as well as Converse Hall and other hall that he is over.

These projects are currently underway and should be completed by the end of the semester or beginning of next semester.

"Columbus should not be celebrated as much as he is," said Maya Newsome, senior majoring in early childhood. Newsome believes it should remain Fall Break and sees Dr. Knowles's point. "It's still fall break and still fall. Why celebrate anybody? It's a break," said Marlena Norman, a senior majoring in anthropology. "I would not like our university

to be identified as one that still holds Columbus as a national cultural hero," said Dr. Knowles. The issue was sent to committee at the August faculty senate meeting. Today's meeting will include an appearance by VSU President Cecil Staton. The meeting is open to the public.

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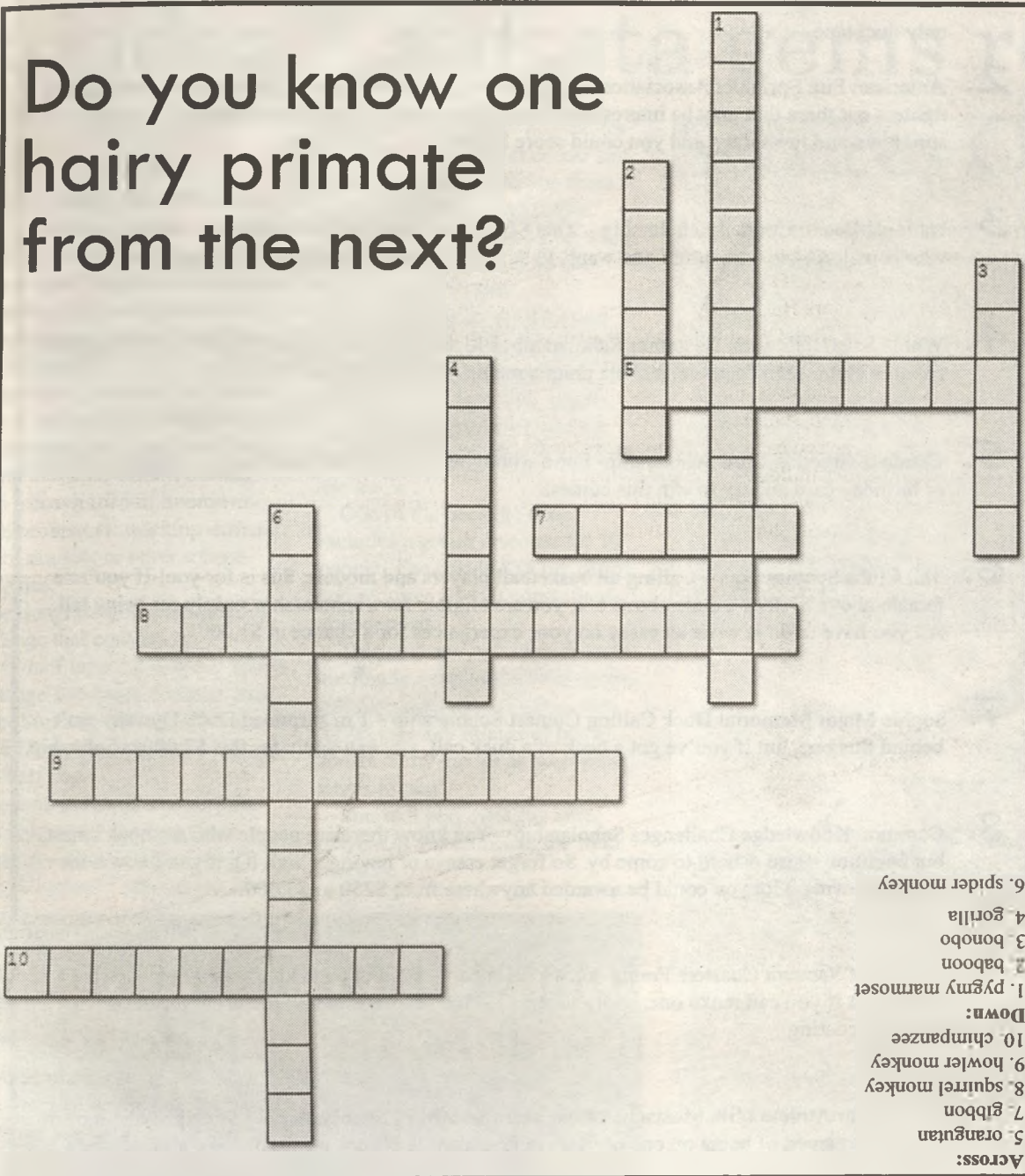
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## Do you know one hairy primate from the next?



- Across**
- This primate is branded and known for their bright orange color
  - This monkey has 13 different species
  - This monkey has another animal in it's name
  - The loudest monkey of them all
  - This type of primate is the same as Caesar from Dawn of the Planet of the Apes

- Down**
- The smallest monkey in the world
  - This primate has a red butt when it's fertile
  - This primate is known as the "dwarf" of the chimpanzees
  - This ape is referred to as the king of the apes
  - With this monkey's long arms and long arms, it's very acrobatic

- Across:**  
 5. orangutan  
 7. gibbon  
 8. squirrel monkey  
 9. howler monkey  
 10. chimpanzee
- Down:**  
 1. pygmy marmoset  
 2. baboon  
 3. bonobo  
 4. gorilla  
 6. spider monkey

## Word Search: Find the hidden monkey species

- Word Bank:**
- ape
  - mandrill
  - baboon
  - orangutan
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Sudoku Answer

## Word Matching

- King Kong
- Rise of the Planet of the Apes
- Curious George
- Born to be Wild
- Dawn of the Planet of the Apes

- a scientist tests a drug on a chimpanzee and it creates an army of monkeys
- documentary narrated by Morgan Freeman
- post-apocalyptic world; monkeys have taken over the world
- a peculiar monkey finds new things to get into daily
- an over-sized gorilla destroys a city

## SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mephram Group

The sudoku grid consists of eighty-one squares in a nine by nine grid. To solve the sudoku, each square in the grid must contain a number between one and nine, with the following conditions:

- Each row of nine cells must contain each of the numbers from 1 to 9 once and only once.
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# COLLEGE LIFE

## Weird College Scholarships

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If you're a short, or tall, fungi-studying student who loves Star Trek, you might be able to get your college paid for!

With college expenses constantly rising, many organizations have begun offering scholarships to students with very specific interest, areas of study, and physical traits.

Many of these organizations offer scholarships in hopes of encouraging students to further their education, so they will later be able to give back to the philanthropy or area of study that helps them pay for college.

This way, both sides win; students are able to alleviate the pressure of rising college costs, and organizations are able to invest in their future.

The website, College Xpress, offers a list of 45 unusual scholarships for students ranging in award from \$250-\$5,000.

There is something for everyone on the website, and luckily, the scholarships are so specific there is not much competition for each one.

The "Tall Club International Scholarship" offers \$1,000 to men over 6'2" and women over 5'10" if they simply write an essay on what being tall means

to them, while the "Billy Barty Foundation" offers scholarships to students who are under 4'10" and have proof of dwarfism. Unfortunately, students of average height will need to look elsewhere for a chance at winning money for college.

The "Potato Industry Scholarships," offered by the National Potato Council, offers \$5,000 to students who are going to get a degree in agribusiness, and the "National Make It Yourself Wool Competition" awards four scholarships annually to students who win a contest through the American Sheep Industry.

Students studying fungi can win a \$2,000 scholarship through the Mycological Society of America, while Star Trek enthusiast can win \$500 if they are a member of Starfleet—a website and organization dedicated to Star Trek fans—and attend any type of schooling after high school.

While some of these scholarships require students to have very specific interest and physical traits, others do not. The "Common Knowledge Challenge" awards scholarships ranging from \$250-\$3,000 to the winners of their contest, and the "OP Loftbed Scholarship" only requires students to answer a series of quirky questions for a chance to win \$500.

If you're in search of scholarships for the upcoming spring semester visit [www.collegexpress.com](http://www.collegexpress.com) for a full list of quirky scholarships you might be eligible to receive.

Did you know? According to Uber Facts: Internet addiction causes the same brain changes that are seen in alcoholics and drug addicts.

1. Duck Brand "Stuck at Prom" Scholarship – Ever thought about making a prom dress completely out of duct tape? Well your dream has come true. This scholarship from Henkal Corporations offers over \$50,000 in scholarships to the people who can create the snazziest prom attire using only duct tape.
2. American Fire Sprinkler Association Scholarship Program – I know there are some aspiring fire fighters out there that may be interested in this. All you have to do is write an essay about sprinklers and fire safety, and you could score \$2,000.
3. National Potato Council Scholarship – This \$10,000 scholarship is for the potato lovers. Anyone who is majoring in agriculture and wants to study potatoes can apply for this one.
4. Whole Sale Halloween Costumes Scholarship – To snag a quick 500 bucks you can put together a creative Halloween costume, make a unique meme out of it, and use it to apply.
5. Create-a-Greeting Card Scholarship- For a whopping \$10,000 you can design a holiday, get together a birthday card and try to win this contest.
6. Tall Clubs Scholarships – Calling all basketball players and models; this is for you! If you're a female above 5'10 or a male above 6'2, you are eligible for a scholarship simply for being tall. All you have to do is write an essay on your experiences for a chance at \$1,000.
7. Sophie Major Memorial Duck Calling Contest Scholarship – I'm surprised Duck Dynasty isn't behind this one, but if you've got a heck of a duck call, you can apply for this \$2,000 scholarship.
8. Common Knowledge Challenges Scholarship – You know there are people who are book smart, but common sense is hard to come by. So forget essays or having a high IQ, if you know a lot about knowing a lot you could be awarded anywhere from \$250 to \$3,000.
9. Society of Vacuum Coasters Foundation Scholarship – I didn't even know vacuum coasters existed, but if you can make one, apply for this \$2,500 scholarship and represent for the art of vacuum coating.
10. Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year (SAMMY) Scholarship – I think just about every one has dreamed of being on one of those milk mustache photos we used to see around grade school. If you are an athlete and you can model a milk mustache pretty well, if you win this one you get a \$7,500 scholarship, a trip to Disney World, and your own milk mustache poster!

So while everyone else is applying for those simple, music essay scholarships or winning beauty pageants, you could be racking up on some of these weird scholarships instead. W

# The Scorch Trials' review

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Thomas (Dylan O'Brien), the young protagonist of the post-apocalyptic teen action films "The Maze Runner" and "Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials" has a pathological aversion to systems of control. He and his friends discover that they have been subjects in experimental trials at the hands of WCKD, the World Catastrophe Kill Zone Department. The scientific organization is searching for a cure to the "flare" virus that has decimated the earth's population, and what they need is sweet, sweet teenage blood, which is immune to the virus that turns the infected into zombies. This was established in "The Maze Runner," and in "Scorch Trials," director Wes Ball puts the pedal to the floor in terms of thematic, scope and bombast – everything is faster, bigger, and scarier. Thomas, we're definitely not in the Glade anymore.

Where he finds himself, along with his pals who escaped from the Glade and its surrounding maze, is in a helicopter touching down in a vast desert, picking up almost exactly where the first film left off, with a quick dream sequence to fill in the backstory. Taken to a warehouse medical facility, the boys are assured that they are

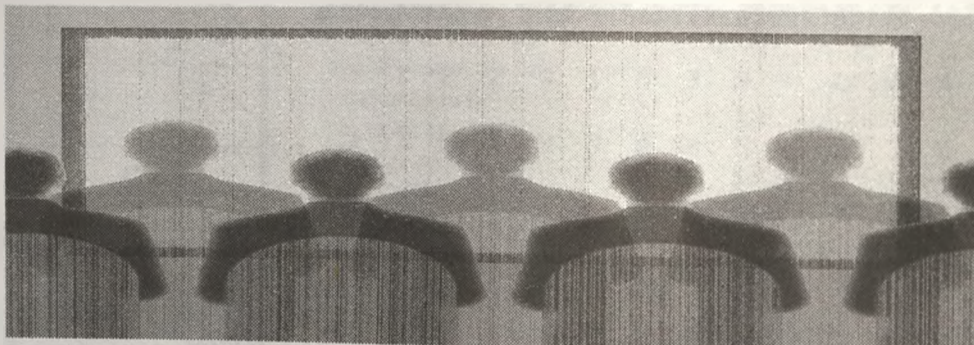


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safe from WCKD, but Thomas is not buying it, especially coming from the mouth of the world's pre-eminent smooth-talking slimeball, actor Aidan Gillen, who plays evil Mr. Janssen.

Like a caged rat, Thomas has a preternatural tendency to and ability for escape, and he quickly breaks the crew out into wasteland of The Scorch, all sand dunes and crumbling cities filled with flare zombies, in hopes of finding a resistance army. Free of the titular maze, "Scorch Trials" is able to do every action sequence on a larger scale, but it still feels like relentless running in circles. When Thomas sighs that he's tired of running, we're tired too. It's a testament to the effectiveness of the sequences that we do get exhausted; they are well-executed, particularly the ones in the dark with only strobing flashlights to illuminate

their way.

Unlike other post-apocalyptic young adult properties like "The Hunger Games" and "Divergent," "Maze Runner" is grittier, dirtier, sweatier. Freed of the cold, austere spaces and bunkers that mark those films, out in a "Mad Max" type world, it feels somewhat real. There are ridiculous and unnecessary monsters, but the stakes are straightforward – Thomas wants him and his friends to be free. He runs and runs without a destination, and "Scorch Trials" highlights the weaknesses of this idea, but it seems like something a teenager would actually do.

O'Brien is so fully, physically committed that you can't help but believe in him, and he's surrounded by a winning supporting cast of young actors – Ki Hong Lee, Thomas Brodie-Sangster, Kaya Scodelario, Jacob

Lofland, Dexter Darden, Alexander Flores – that are a pleasure to watch. Character actors Patricia Clarkson, Giancarlo Esposito, Barry Pepper and Lili Taylor, playing the adults, are a welcome screen presence.

Wrestling with ideas about science, liberty, and the greater good, "Scorch Trials" puts these issues at the forefront. When an older generation insists on feeding off the new, what responsibility does the new generation have toward building a better world or saving the old one? It's not anything groundbreaking in the young adult genre, but these films make the questions tangible. Teenage and an absolute blast to watch.

2.5 stars out of 4

Rated PG-13 for extended sequences of violence and action, some thematic elements, substance use and language.

Cast: Dylan O'Brien, Ki Hong Lee, Thomas Brodie-Sangster, Kaya Scodelario, Jacob Lofland, Dexter Darden, Alexander Flores, Patricia Clarkson, Aidan Gillen, Giancarlo Esposito, Barry Pepper, Lili Taylor

Directed by Wes Ball

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COLLEGE LIFE

# Little known locations; Hidden Valdosta gems revealed to you

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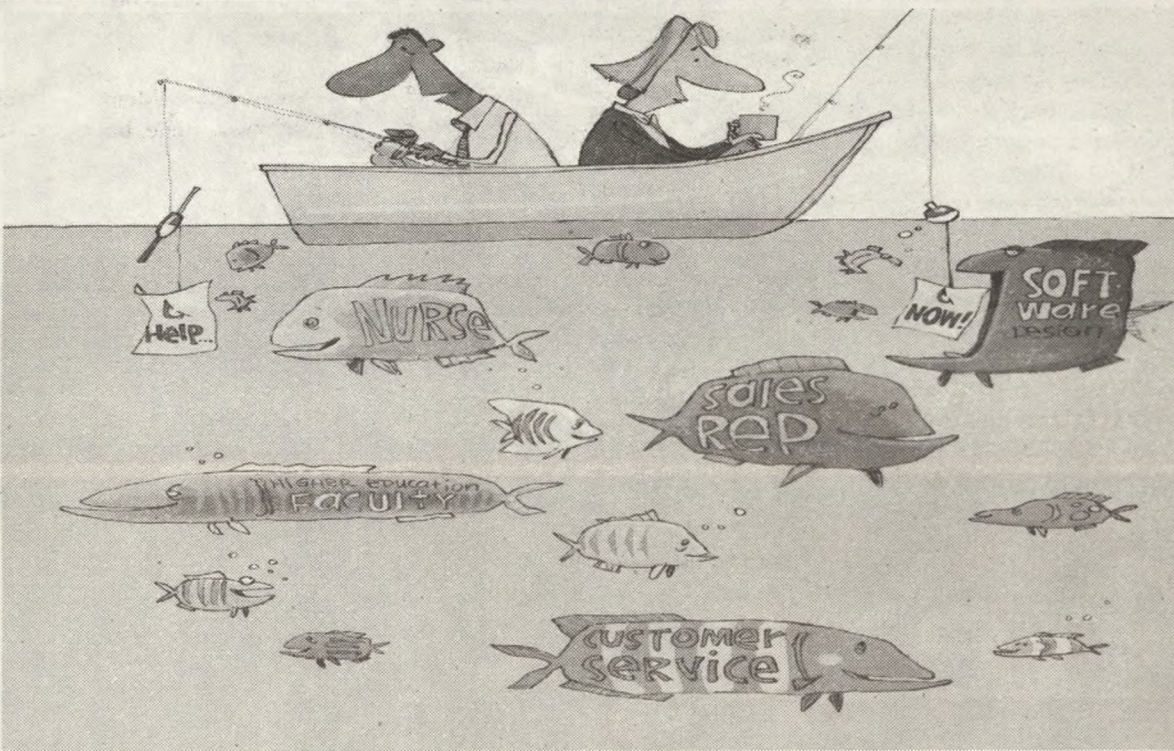


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## Commonplace for college career choices to change

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For most students, college may be a transitioning phase of life. And for this transition, new opportunities, friendships and obstacles may be created. Before college, a student has no idea what to expect.

There may be fear of a fresh start with no guardian or excitement. Either way, college will help a student discover themselves more.

Students may go into college assuming that they want to pursue a certain career path, live a certain lifestyle, and only enjoy certain hobbies. But college can change these thoughts.

An individual may take an interest in classes that lead them to another career choice, experience an atmosphere that would make them change their lifestyle, or join a certain club that creates new interests and hobbies.

Clubs are a great way to express and discover new things about yourself. They may also enhance an individual socially. So getting involved on campus is an important aspect when it comes to a college student getting the full experience.

John Hebert, a senior accounting major, said that before college, he had aspirations of becoming a defense attorney.

College and other aspects of life helped him realize that that was not the route he wanted to take.

Trying to pursue a degree in economics, he took business classes, but the classes only opened a door to help him find his passion for accounting.

"I was always a social person, but college has increased my confidence and made me a more social person," said Hebert.

He also said that college has helped him learn the importance of bills and being able to provide for himself.

Landis Johnson, a senior music education major, also started

college with a different career choice. He said that he had aspirations of being an engineer, but certain classes and participating on campus helped him realize that he wanted to take a different approach.

Through classes and being a member of Valdosta State's band, he started to realize how passionate he is about music, and he is currently trying to pursue a career in music with hopes of becoming a band director.

"College is something every individual should experience, regardless of financial situations; it creates networking opportunities and prepares you for life," said Johnson.

The college transition is like a door, and you may never know what is waiting for you on the other side unless you open it.

So it is important to get involved and take full advantage of the college experience, not only for an education but for learning what type of life you want to live.



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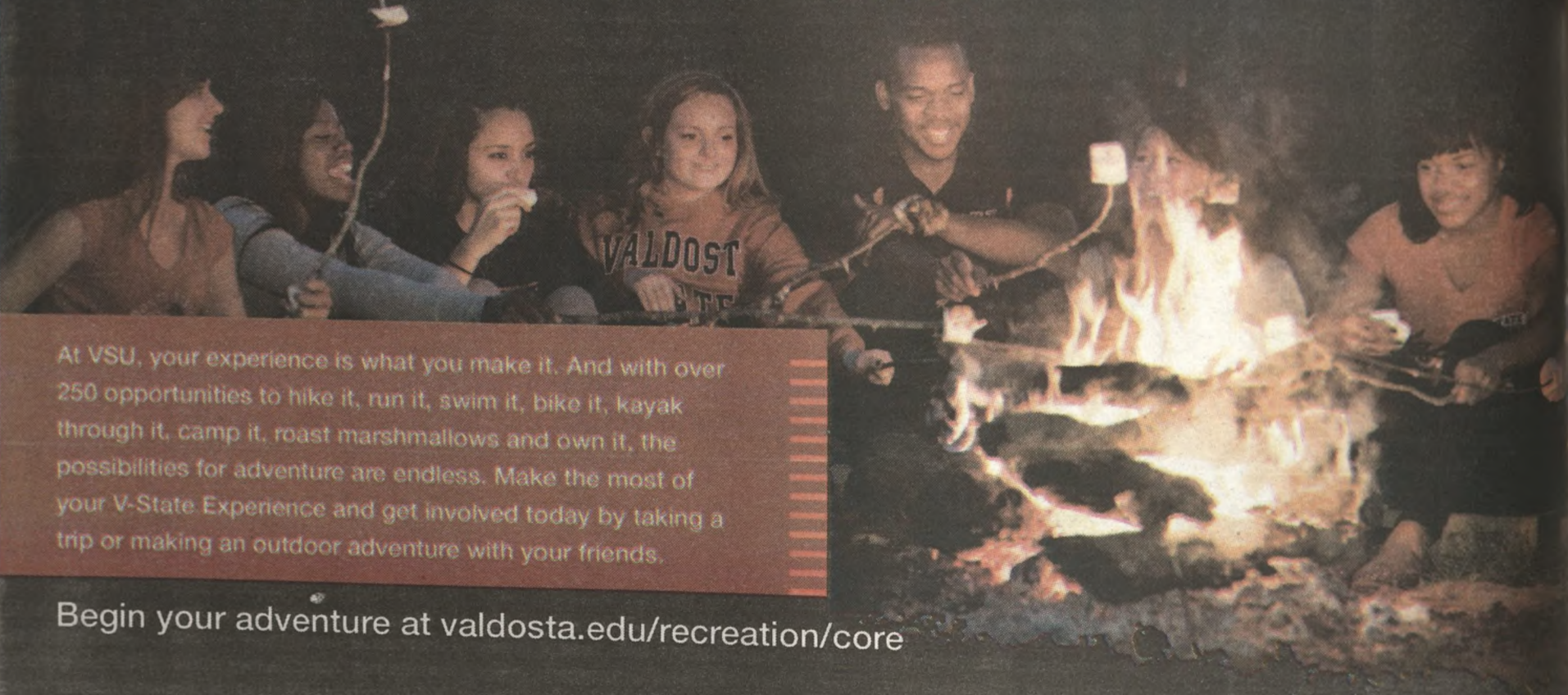


Our Multimedia Team, Multimedia Editor David Johnson and Assistant Multimedia Editor Bryce Whitford, went out to capture the rainy weather that enveloped VSU.



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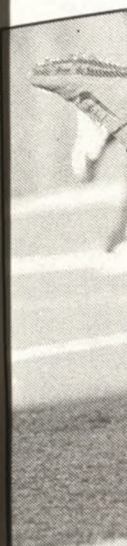


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# SPORTS

## TODAY IN HISTORY

2004: Barry Bonds hits his 700th Homerun. He joins Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron as members of the 700 club.



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# Blazers take Cobb County Clash to claim 2-0 season



Courtesy of Valdosta State sports/Valdosta.edu

Austin Scott extends for his second touchdown of the season to give the Blazers a 7-3 lead in the second quarter. The win against Winston-Salem State gives the Blazers a 2-0 record on the season. Up next for VSU is the first home game on Sept. 26, at 4 p.m at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium against the Cumberland University Bulldogs. The Bulldogs are apart of the Mid-South conference and hold a 1-1 record on the season.

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The VSU Blazers are now 2-0 after a 31-3 blowout victory over Winston-Salem State. The team has an off week before playing their first home game of the season on Sept. 26.

Football is a game of three phases: offense, defense and special teams. If a team wins in all three areas, it's likely they won big on the scoreboard as well. The Valdosta State Blazers did just that on Saturday night.

Overcoming a slow start, the Blazers dominated Winston-Salem State in a 31-3 victory in Powder Springs, Georgia. The Blazers (2-0) trailed by three at the end of the first quarter, but scored 31 unanswered to win comfortably.

VSU's defense once again impressed. The "Black Swarm" gave up 178 yards to the Rams while only allowing a single field goal. The offense, which had only 17 yards in the first quarter, gained 342 yards in the next three quarters. That can be attributed to head coach David Dean's decision to play a more up-tempo offense for the rest of the game. The Rams defense struggled with substitutions and getting set while quarterback E.J. Hilliard and the offense found their rhythm.

Austin Scott opened the scoring for the Blazers with an 18 yard touchdown run in the second quarter. Rebounding from throwing an interception the previous possession, Hilliard then hit a slant to Donovan Bolden for a 22

yard score.

The Blazers broke the game open in the second half. Hilliard rolled out to the left and found Chris Anderson, who immediately shook a defender, for a 47 yard touchdown to increase the lead to 21-3 with 2:58 left in the third. Early in the 4th quarter, Hilliard took it himself and scored VSU's final touchdown of the day.

But the biggest story of the game was the defense. The Blazers stopped the Rams (0-2) three times on fourth down. The unit also held Winston-Salem State to just 46 yards through the air.

Sharmaine Washington led the team with six tackles and Egim Etta-Tawo had a strong game for the second week in a row, highlighted by his fumble recovery in the first half. Jordan Washington and Oneil Cohen contributed a sack each to VSU's defensive efforts.

"They played an outstanding football game again," said Dean of his defense. "That's two straight weeks they have played very good defense and held them in check and that makes, on the other side of the ball, the offense, it makes our job a lot easier as offensive coaches because we know all we have to do is put up a few points and we'll have a chance to win."

Valdosta State has a much deserved bye week before playing their home opener against Cumberland on Saturday, Sept. 26th at 4 p.m. The team will look to move to 3-0 in their first of back to back games in front of the home fans.

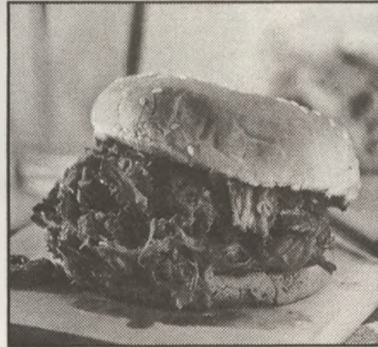
# WSSU serves up BBQ after getting smoked

Blazer's Interim President and Ram's Chancellor make a cordial bet



Courtesy of mctcampus

The second annual Cobb County Clash was an all around win for the Blazers. VSU Interim President Cecil Staton made a friendly wager to send South Georgia pecans to WSSU Chancellor Elwood Robinson if the Rams would have taken the win in last Saturdays game. With the 31-3 win for the Blazers, the president will be receiving some North Carolina barbecue.



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# Soccer saves season with 2-1 win over CSU



Defender Shleby Jennings and midfielder Logan Lindy dribble the ball down the field to take the win away from Clayton State in Wednesdays game. Kyana Campbell heads the ball past a CSU forward to bring the ball back to the box for the Blazers. Madison Cutts took control of the game for the Blazers scoring both of the goals for the team. The final for the night was 2-1 taking the Blazers' record to 1-3. Coming up next for VSU is Christian Brothers University for the first Gulf South Conference game of the season. The game will be held tomorrow in Memphis, Tennessee at 6 p.m.



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# SPORTS

## Intramural sports take off for the semester



SUPERvisors took on Centennial in the first week of intramural volleyball. SUPERvisors took the win with a final of 2-0. Intramural volleyball started Sept. 14 and continues through Oct. 2. The teams compete Sunday-Thursday in the Recreational Center basketball courts.

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