Community mourns the loss of Rev. Alfred Payne

by Eric Bedel
Assistant News Editor

Virginia Tech students and employees lost a mentor and an active member of the community Saturday. The Rev. Alfred C. Payne was looking forward to holding several events this school year, including another one of his regular discussions with students. He was well loved for holding regular discussions with students even after his retirement in 1981.

“Two weeks ago he still wanted to get together with them,” Hershman said. “But he said the world was changing so much, maybe what he had to say wouldn’t be relevant. Of course, I disagreed with him.”

Over the years, students returned the respect shown to them by Payne, said ED Spencer, assistant vice president for student affairs.

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News in Brief

by Anne Gearan
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court will hear its first case arising from the government’s anti-terrorism campaign following the Sept. 11 attacks, agreeing Monday to consider whether foreigners held at a U.S. Navy base in Cuba should have access to American courts.

The appeals came from British, Australian and Kuwaiti citizens held with more than 500 others suspected of being Taliban or al-Qaida foot soldiers. Most were picked up in U.S.-anti-terrorism sweeps in Afghanistan following the attacks of two years ago.

The court combined the men’s appeals and will hear the consolidated case some time next year.

Lower courts had found that the American civilian court system did not have authority to hear the men’s complaints about their treatment.

“The United States has created a prison within a prison system,” said presidential spokesman Scott McClellan. “We must continue to demonstrate that we care about the rights of American citizens.

The appeals will come from men who do not even know the populations. The court did not comment in rejecting an application for reconsideration of the appeals.

In the Guantanamo case, the appeals come from men who do not even know the lawsuit brought on their behalf. The lawsuit, filed by the American Civil Liberties Union, seeks to allow people to transfer access to family, friends or legal counsel, without charges or evidence of wrongdoing, without the right to access to U.S. courts.

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In essence, the Court must now decide whether the United States will reaffirm or reject its commitment to the rule of law," said the Center for Constitutional Rights said after the court agreed to hear the case.

The American Civil Liberties Union said it plans to file a friend-of-the-court brief supporting the government.

Correction

In Friday’s issue of the Collegiate Times, Virginia Senator George Allen was incorrectly identified as a Democrat in the article “Bill may offer admission policies.” He is a Republican.

The Collegiate Times regrets this error.
Associated Press

by George John
Associated Press

VIENNA, Austria — The U.N. nuclear watchdog agency has found "no evidence" in Iran of a nuclear weapons program, but it cannot rule out the possibility because Tehran previously refused to submit to inspections, the diplomats said on condition of anonymity.

Diplomats made clear Friday that in the past, Iran had denied many aspects of its nuclear activity, which led to delays in its obligations of the safeguards agreement it had signed with the agency. The report, due out Friday, on the 10th anniversary of IAEA inspectors visiting Iran for the first time, is a major test for U.S. policy on Iran.

U.S. officials and China, which also opposes Iran's program, have placed increased pressure on Tehran, with the Obama administration pushing for details about the agency's work. But the U.S. wants to avoid any indication of correctness in Iran's program, which Beijing, Moscow and France have repeatedly condemned.

The report, released Friday, said that Iran had made significant progress in its nuclear program, but that it still had a long way to go before it could produce a weapon.

According to the report, Iran has increased its production of uranium to a level that could support a nuclear weapons program, but that it has not yet made any significant progress in enriching the isotope, which is needed for fuel.

In the past, Iran had repeatedly refused to cooperate with the inspectors, who have found that it has failed to fulfill its international obligations.

The report also states that Iran has continued to develop its uranium enrichment program, with the most recent data indicating that it has increased its production by about 8% in the past two months.

Along with the dead, 122 wounded. The attack killed a police officer, a security guard, and a civilian, who were all working in the diplomatic quarter of Yemen.

The attack was carried out by a suicide bomber who was targeted for his role in a political group.

The United States expressed concern over the attack, saying it "raises our concern about the risks to our personnel and citizens in Yemen."
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tions have yielded 1,300 lost or stolen,
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material inside the United States over
the past five years and have concluded
there is a significant risk that terrorists
could obtain enough together for a dirty
bomb.

Studies by the Energy Department’s
Los Alamos Laboratory and the General
Accounting Office found significant
holes in the nation’s security net that
could take years to close, even after
improvements by regulators since Sept.

The world of radiological sources
developed prior to recent concerns about
terrorism, and many of its elements are
either unsecured or provided, at best,
with an industrial level of security,” the
Los Alamos lab concluded two months
ago in a report that was reviewed by
The Associated Press.

The report concludes that the threat of
a so-called dirty bomb that could deploy
radioactive materials across a wide area
“appears too be of very signifi-
cant, and there is no shortage of radio-
active materials that could be used.”

Security improvements under way “are
unlikely to significantly affect the global
trend within a few years,” it added.

The FBI has warned law enforcement
officials that the Internet is awash with
information about radiological sources
and al-Qaida’s interest in obtaining
material from a Canadian source.

The lab said in testimony before the
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
that the agency recognizes the potential
for proliferation of such materials and al-Qaida’s
interest in them — “there are millions of
sources,” she said. She added most of
the 1,300 lost radiological sources were
subsequently recovered and the public
should keep the threat in perspective.

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staggering. It appears we don’t even
know how much material exists that
would use ‘dirty bombs’ to attack the
United States, I am alarmed at the
government’s inadequate response to
this very real threat. The economic and
health costs of such an event would
be staggering. It appears we don’t even
know how much material exists that
could be used for such weapons or even
where it is being kept,” Rep. Jim Turner,
D-Texas, said.

The Los Alamos analyses specifically
cited concerns about the transportation
of large shipments of radioactive cobalt
from industrial sites, as well as lax secu-
rity at hospitals that use radiological
devices to treat and diagnose patients.

Fatal male continues as soldier dies in Iraq

by Shislom Lekic
Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Insurgents killed a
U.S. military policeman, the U.S. command
said Monday, and a top U.S. general
out with local leaders in Iraq’s most dan-
gerous region to tell them attacks must stop.

In Sadr City, a poor, mainly Shiite quarter
of eastern Baghdad, witnesses said a U.S. sol-
dier shot and killed the head of the district’s
U.S.-appointed municipal council in a week-
end altercation.

Gen. John Abizaid, head of the U.S.
Central Command, met over the weekend
with mayors and tribal leaders of Arab
province an Iraqi who attended the meeting
said Monday.

Abizaid pointed to Fallujah and warned that
if the city refuses to cooperate “in the rebuilding
process,” there “might be another policy,”
Fallujah Mayor Taha Bedawi said.

The Associated Press.

The general did not specify the new mea-
sures, but told the local leaders in Saturday’s
meeting, “Incorporable behavior such as explo-
sions and strikes against coalition forc-
es are prohibited and will be prosecuted.
We have the capabilities and equipment,”
Abizaid said.

U.S. forces wired nearly 1,000目录s dur-
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of Baghdad, the 6th Infantry Division
director Monday.

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There are currently many problems with the psychology of American society. I would like to identify two of these problems and then formulate possible solutions for finding viable solutions to them.

One of the most immediate solutions to many of these problems is the eradication of the uneven disposition of income, which would allow for immediate social justice. We, as a public, should begin to question our leaders and peers. In my eyes, they are only one solution to our problem: the red transaction of our capitalist society from its present state.

The masses of people no longer support greedy politicians, who sit high in the official and in Congress dictating policy that has a direct impact on the lives of millions, and the people will no longer tolerate their policies.

This era of progressive change has been marked by lackluster support against the will of the people. Much of this support has been given by votes that choose not to voice their opinion. The decline is voting amongst the American public stems directly from the fact that people no longer feel their single vote can count.

The days of grassroots campaigns are long gone, and the support of corporations with huge bottom lines to finance a campaign have continued to dominate the electoral sector of our poli-

The electorate has become disen-\frighted and has not shown up for elections. The public has continued to lose faith in the same political system that should serve as the medium for transition from the present state.

This problem is both decided and desperately needed if the problem resolves in our system to even be addressed. In response to the news headlines, a growing tyranny that pervades our society, a confidence gap has been injected and again show civic pride through the election of government leaders.

The American public is finding it harder and harder to identify with the typical republican or democratic candidate. This, in turn, has led to a disconnect between society and political means, with lack of governmental involvement in key areas, including social programs, subsidies for the arts and more phar-\n
This viewpoint is not the only solution to the problem but one of many. A total elimination of the 1996 Crime Bill is something that the American public is calling for.

With all of the budget cuts that Virginia faces, it cannot afford to throw all drug offenders in jail. Many states face overcrowded prisons, resulting in a need for the addition of new buildings in order to accommodate the growing number of inmates.

In 2000, Virginia experienced 23,335 drug-related arrests. One quarter of all Virginia drug offenders were incarcerated in the Virginia Department of Corrections in 1998 were for drug-related crimes.

Kansas legislators faced the need to build $15 million worth of prisons. To alleviate this economic burden, the legislature passed a law this year mandating treatment instead of incarceration for all who commit a crime involving violence. Out of Kansas’ 9,000 inmates, the law is expected to divert 1,400 offenders a year.

Gilmore in the late 1990s, and included increasing the mandatory minimum from 40 percent nationally. Is it that Virginia has more criminals than the rest of the country? If the risk of incarceration is 20 percent for Kansas and 40 percent nationally, then the risk for Virginia is 50 percent.

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Errors: Four turnovers key loss

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Hokies lose game in penalty kicks

The men’s soccer team was eliminated from the Big East tournament after losing to Providence by Susan Sudderth and Jana Rosen

After 110 minutes of battled, it took a period of penalty kicks for Providence College to defeat the Virginia Tech men’s soccer team Sunday in a Big East Conference quarterfinal game. The loss dashing the Hokies’ hopes for a Big East Championship title. At the end of regulation, the score was knotted at 2-2, which forced a period of golden goal overtime, where the first team to score wins. Neither team could make anything happen, forcing another period that also ended scoreless.

“We had to show our A-game today, and we did not do that,” said Hokie defender Lasse Mertins.

In a regular-season game, the contest would have ended in a tie, but in tournament play the penalty kick period is used to determine who moves on. The Friars won the period 4-2.

“Now we have two weeks of training, which is nice,” Weiss said. “It’s even more disappointing when you lose in overtime or penalty kicks,” Mertins said. “Penalty kicks are a little harder. I think that was outworked us and they fought harder. I think they got the upper hand.”

All Providence had to do was to score the next goal to win, and they took advantage of the situation. “It’s even more disappointing when you lose in overtime or penalty kicks,” Mertins said. “Penalty kicks are a little harder. We had two chances, while we didn’t. It’s unlucky to lose in golden goal kicks, but we should have done it better.”

Tech must wait and see if they play during the regular season or emerge from the NCAA tournament. The brackets will be announced on ESPN at 4 p.m. Monday.

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Midfielder Jonathan Rhoole moves the ball past Hokie BruntDille in Sunday’s game. Tech lost the game in penalty kicks.

Loss drops Hokies to No. 15 in BCS

From staff reports

Another weekend of upsets in college football caused major shifts in both national polls as well as the Bowl Championship Series standings.

Entering the weekend ranked No. 5 in the country, as well as No. 6 in the BCS, the Virginia Tech Hokies were unable to capitalize on losses by Florida State (BCS No. 3) and Miami (BCS No. 4) losing to the University of Pittsburgh, 53-28. The loss drops Tech to No. 15 in the BCS and No. 12 in both polls.

The University of Oklahoma remained a unanimous No. 1 in both the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll and the Associated Press media poll after scoring a 1-0 win over Notre Dame.

NCAA FOOTBALL BCS TOP 15 RANKINGS

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Another weekend of upsets in college football caused major shifts in both national polls as well as the Bowl Championship Series standings.

Entering the weekend ranked No. 5 in the country, as well as No. 6 in the BCS, the Virginia Tech Hokies were unable to capitalize on losses by Florida State (BCS No. 3) and Miami (BCS No. 4) losing to the University of Pittsburgh, 53-28. The loss drops Tech to No. 15 in the BCS and No. 12 in both polls.

The University of Oklahoma remained a unanimous No. 1 in both the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll and the Associated Press media poll after scoring a 1-0 win over Notre Dame.

NCAA FOOTBALL BCS TOP 15 RANKINGS

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I n the Virginia Tech football team was a goalkeeper, then the University of Pittsburgh football team completed their trick play against the Hokies. The Panthers won the third-straight meeting between the two teams with a score of 31-28, giving Tech its second consecutive loss and putting Pittsburgh in the driver’s seat for the Big East title.

Pittsburgh tailback Jawan Walker carried Tech’s defense into the endzone with 47 seconds left in the game, giving Pittsburgh the three-point lead which they would eventually win. On the Hokies’ subsequent drive when they tried to make a comeback attempt, quarterback Marcus Vick threw an interception on the first play of the possession, enabling the Panthers to hold on to the victory.

“I’m thinking about a bunch of hurt guys in the locker room over here who played hard and just didn’t get it done,” said Tech head coach Frank Beamer. “I thought we had a lot of guys who made some great plays.

Tech could not overcome the high-scoring Panthers offense despite a career day from Tech tailback Kevin Jones, who ran for 241 yards and four touchdowns, helping him win Big East co-player of the week honors despite being on the losing end of the game.

“I’m not going to worry about me, I’ll think about that later. Right now, I’m upset for my team.”

Pittsburgh tried to set the tone early by throwing the ball deep toward their Heisman-hopeful Larry Fitzgerald early in the game and starting off with a field goal. They came out and played their football ready to play. For the most part, I think us, “Green said. “They came out there and made some plays on us. They came out and played their football.

Tech immediately countered Pittsburgh’s scoring as Mike Ball’s 30-yard kickoff return into Pittsburgh territory. Four plays and 39 yards later, Jones scored from one yard out using Tech’s 24-23 lead. Porter and Jones traded fumbles ending their respective teams’ subsequent drives and starting a temporary stalemate where both defenses would rise up and stop the other. Pittsburgh would score their first touchdown of the day, courtesy of Fitzgerald, after Tech punter Vincent Burns bobbled a punt, which went only 21 yards. Pittsburgh kicker David Abdul converted the extra point, which gave them a 7-3 lead. On the next drive, the Hokies immediately countered Pittsburgh’s scoring by kicking a 41-yard field goal to even the game near the end of the first half.

After the punt, putting Pittsburgh on the one-yard plunge for his second score.

Pittsburgh looked to put the nail in the coffin in the third quarter by assembling a tie-play. Vick threw a 46-yard pass to Fitzgerald for a five-yard strike three plays after the punt, putting Pittsburgh on the Tech 30-yard line.

They scrambled right back down the field, going 75 yards in eight plays under the guidance of Vick, who delivered the game-winning two-yard touchdown pass to Fitzgerald on the Tech 30-yard line.

One final shift in momentum, however, gave the Hokies a chance to win the game, which they capitalized on. On a fourth-and-four play, Tech quarterback Marcus Vick threw a 46-yard pass way too far for receiver Ernest Wilford, and Jones took the ball 15 yards to the fourth score of the game with nearly the entire fourth quarter remaining.

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