

VIRGINIA

Basketball

2004-05

Media Notes

Virginia (11-9, 2-7 ACC)

vs.

Florida State (11-11, 3-6 ACC)

February 9, 2005 • 7:30 p.m.

University Hall (8,392)

Charlottesville, Va.



2004-05 SCHEDULE

11-9 Overall / 2-7 ACC

Home: 8-3

Away: 2-6

Neutral: 1-0

Nov. 5	Lehman College (ex)	W, 121-29
Nov. 12	Marymount University (ex)	W, 129-75
Nov. 19	ROBERT MORRIS	W, 88-55
Nov. 21	#10 ARIZONA (FSN) SOUTH	W, 78-60
Nov. 24	APPALACHIAN STATE	W, 77-60
Nov. 28	RICHMOND	W, 85-58

Dec. 1	at Northwestern	W, 48-44
Dec. 3	vs. Auburn % (FSN) SOUTH	W, 89-87
Dec. 6	at Iowa State	L, 79-81
Dec. 8	FURMAN	W, 79-67
Dec. 23	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	W, 79-77 OT

Jan. 2	#5 WAKE FOREST	L, 70-89
Jan. 5	WESTERNKENTUCKY	W, 80-79 2OT
Jan. 8	at #9 Georgia Tech	L, 69-92
Jan. 12	MIAMI	L, 80-91
Jan. 16	at #5 Duke	L, 66-80
Jan. 19	at Maryland	L, 68-82
Jan. 22	CLEMSON	W, 81-79
Jan. 27	at Virginia Tech	L, 73-79
Jan. 29	#3 NORTHCAROLINA	L, 76-110

Feb. 2	at Providence	Cox 3	L, 79-98
Feb. 5	at NC State		W, 64-62
Feb. 9	FLORIDA STATE		7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12	VIRGINIA TECH		Noon
Feb. 16	at #2 North Carolina		7:00 p.m.
Feb. 19	#22 MARYLAND	CBS	3:30 p.m.
Feb. 27	at #7 Wake Forest		2:00 p.m.

Mar. 2	NC STATE	RSN	9:00 p.m.
Mar. 6	at Florida State		2:00 p.m.
Mar. 10-13	ACC Tournament ^		TBD

& - ACC/Big Ten Challenge

% - ALLTEL Pavilion at the Siegel Center, Richmond, Va.

^ - MCI Center, Washington, D.C.

All Times Eastern

Rankings are Associated Press rankings at time of game and current ranking for future opponents.

TELEVISION

Tonight's game against Florida State will not be televised.

RADIO

All UVa games are heard on the Virginia Sports Network originating at WINA/WWV in Charlottesville. Mac McDonald calls the play by play. Jim Hobgood provides the analysis.

OFFICIALS

THE GAME

Virginia enters tonight's game with an 11-9 overall record and a 2-7 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Cavaliers are coming off a 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) in Raleigh, N.C.

Florida State stands at 11-11 overall and 3-6 in the ACC. The Seminoles are coming off an 81-60 loss (Feb. 6) to second-ranked North Carolina in Tallahassee, Fla.

The Series vs. Florida State

Virginia holds a 15-11 lead in the series with Florida State. The two teams split a pair of meetings last season with both teams winning on their home courts for the third consecutive year. UVa won 76-67 in overtime (Jan. 18) in the first meeting in Charlottesville, while the Seminoles won 76-57 (Feb. 17) in Tallahassee.

The two teams split the 2002-03 series with UVa winning 85-72 (Jan. 29) in the first meeting at University Hall. The Seminoles took the second meeting 73-59 (Mar. 1) in Tallahassee. Both teams also won on their home courts in the 2001-02 season. Virginia won 91-74 at home (Jan. 20) and Florida State won 66-59 (Feb. 20) in Florida.

Virginia swept the 2000-01 season series from Florida State for the first time since 1996-97. UVa won 89-71 (Jan. 16) in Charlottesville and earned the sweep with a 69-66 victory (Feb. 17) in Tallahassee on a three-pointer by Roger Mason, Jr. with one second remaining.

UVa has won the first meeting of the season series with Florida State 10 times in 13 tries, including the last five.

The Cavaliers have won seven of the last 11 meetings after FSU won three consecutive contests (71-63 and 88-63 in the 1997-98 season and 72-69 in the 1998-99 campaign).

Virginia is 9-4 versus Florida State at University Hall and has won its last five home contests against the Seminoles after losing the previous two. The Seminoles' last win over Virginia at University Hall was a 72-69 triumph (Dec. 1) in the 1998-99 season.

Overall in the series, nine of UVa's 15 wins over the Seminoles have been by nine points or less, while five of its losses have been by 14 or more points. In addition, five of FSU's last eight wins have been by fewer than nine points. Six of the last 12 meetings (dating back to the 1998-99 season) have been decided by seven points or less. The Cavaliers have won three of those seven close games.

Four of the six games that were decided by more than seven points in the last 12 meetings were the first meeting of the last four seasons – all UVa victories. In 2000-01, UVa won by 18 points (89-71); in the first meeting in 2001-02, the Cavaliers won by 17 points (91-74); in the first meeting in 2002-03, Virginia won by 13 points (85-72); and last year, UVa won by nine points (76-67) in overtime. The other two games that were decided by more than seven points were the second meeting of 2002-03 (FSU won 73-59) and the second meeting last season (FSU won 76-57).

Virginia's PROBABLE Starters

No.	Pos.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Ppg.	Rpg.	App.	Mpg	Notes
32	F	Jason Cain	6-10	205	So.	2.2	2.2	0.3	9.5	First career start vs. Clemson; 7 pts, 9 rebs vs. NCSU
33	F	Devin Smith	6-5	242	Sr.	17.4	6.5	1.0	30.6	Career-high 40 pts vs. Iowa St.; 3 pts shy of 1,000
43	F/C	Elton Brown	6-9	255	Sr.	14.6	9.0	0.9	30.2	Scored 1,000th point vs. Arizona; 10 double-doubles
2	G	J.R. Reynolds	6-2 1/2	200	So.	11.0	2.7	2.1	32.3	Game-winning shot vs. Loy. Mary.; 21 pts. vs. GaTech
44	G	Sean Singletary	6-0	180	Fr.	9.8	2.9	4.0	28.5	3-time ACC Rookie of the Week

Virginia's Key Reserves

23	G/F	Gary Forbes	6-6	210	So.	8.6	3.8	1.1	21.9	Season-high 21 points vs. Furman
30	F	Adrian Joseph	6-7	200	Fr.	5.1	1.3	0.4	15.7	Will miss tonight's game with a leg injury
15	G	T.J. Bannister	5-10 1/2	170	So.	4.3	1.3	3.5	19.7	Three or more assists in each of last 11 games
55	F/C	Donte Minter	6-8	245	So.	1.7	0.7	0.0	5.2	Limited by preseason knee injury; playing w/ hand injury
21	C	Tunji Soroye	6-11	210	Fr.	0.5	1.1	0.1	4.5	4 pts, 4 rebs, 2 blks in 13 min. vs. Virginia Tech

Tale of the Tape

Here's a statistical comparison of Virginia and Florida State in the 2004-05 season.

Virginia	Category	Florida State
75.4	Points	71.0
76.5	Points Allowed	68.2
-1.1	Scoring Margin	+2.8
44.0	Field Goal %	46.9
45.5	Field Goal % Defense	41.0
33.6	3 Point Field Goal %	38.3
39.1	3 Point Field Goal % Defense	33.4
70.8	Free Throw %	66.5
36.7	Rebounds	34.0
+0.3	Rebound Margin	-0.4
13.2	Assists	12.9
14.6	Turnovers	16.6
7.3	Steals	7.3
3.3	Blocked Shots	3.5

Virginia Basketball Celebrates 100 Years

The men's basketball program at the University of Virginia celebrates its 100th season in 2004-05. The inaugural season began on January 18, 1906 with a 30-9 victory over the Charlottesville YMCA. Under Coach Henry Lannigan, UVa went 8-2 for the season. Virginia had two more wins over the Charlottesville YMCA and also defeated Washington & Lee, the Staunton YMCA, Bridgewater, William and Mary, and the Richmond YMCA. Virginia's only losses during the season came against the Baltimore YMCA and Carroll Institute.

Another ACC Win

After dropping their last two ACC games to fall to 1-7 in the conference, the Cavaliers earned their second league victory of the season with a 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) in Raleigh, N.C.

Virginia fell short in its first five ACC games and earned its first conference win of the season with an 81-79 victory over Clemson (Jan. 22) in Charlottesville. UVa's 0-5 start in the ACC marked the first time since the 1998-99 season the Cavaliers lost their first five conference games. Oddly enough a home win over then #25 Clemson (Jan. 17, 1999) was Virginia's first ACC win that year as well.

After defeating Clemson, the Cavaliers fell to Virginia Tech 79-73 (Jan. 27) in Blacksburg and #3 North Carolina (Jan. 29) in Charlottesville before posting the victory over NC State.

No More RBC Center Blues

Virginia lost its first five games at the RBC Center (formerly the Entertainment and Sports Arena) and seven consecutive in Raleigh before snapping the losing streak with a 64-62 victory over NC State (Feb. 5).

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2004-2005 ACC Pre-Season Media Prediction

Team	Points
1. Wake Forest (65)	965
2. North Carolina (13)	866
3. Georgia Tech (10)	836
4. Duke (3)	746
5. N.C. State	607
6. Maryland	605
7. Florida State	414
8. Virginia	394
9. Clemson	256
10. Virginia Tech	171
11. Miami	146

2004-05 Media Pre-Season All-ACC Selections

First Team

Chris Paul, Wake Forest	85
Julius Hodge, N.C. State	85
Rashad McCants, North Carolina	70
Sean May, North Carolina	34
J.J. Redick, Duke	33

2004-05 Media Pre-Season ACC Player of Year

Chris Paul, Wake Forest	38
Julius Hodge, N.C. State	35
Rashad McCants, North Carolina	8
Sean May, North Carolina	3
Justin Gray, Wake Forest	2
Jarrett Jack, Georgia Tech	2
B.J. Elder, Georgia Tech	1
J.J. Redick, Duke	1

2004-05 Media Pre-Season ACC Rookie of Year

Marvin Williams, North Carolina	60
Sean Singletary, Virginia	7
DeMarcus Nelson, Duke	5
Eight other players received votes	

2004-05 UVa ACC Player/Rookie of the Week

Nov. 22	Sean Singletary (Rookie)
Dec. 6	Sean Singletary (Co-Rookie)
Dec. 27	Elton Brown (Player)
Dec. 27	Sean Singletary (Rookie)
Jan. 3	Adrian Joseph (Rookie)

Adrian Joseph was honored as the ACC Rookie of the Week on January 3. He tallied a career-high 19 points in UVa's 89-70 loss to Wake Forest (Jan. 2) in his first collegiate start. Joseph was 7-12 from the field (3-6 from three-point range) and made both free throw attempts. He blocked one shot and had no turnovers in 32 minutes of action.

Virginia Quick Facts

Location: Charlottesville, Va.
Founded: 1819 by Thomas Jefferson
Enrollment: 20,018 (13,140 undergraduates)
President: John T. Casteen III
Athletics Director: Craig Littlepage
Faculty Athletic Rep.: Carolyn M. Callahan
Conference: Atlantic Coast Conference
Arena: University Hall (8,392)
Colors: Orange and Blue
Nicknames: Cavaliers, Wahoos, 'Hoos
Mascot: Cavalier

Basketball Information

Head Coach: Pete Gillen (Fairfield '68)
Career Record: 389-215 (20th season)
Record at Virginia: 115-87 (7th season)
Assistant Coaches: Walt Fuller (Drexel '87) – 7th season, Alexis Sherard (Saint Michael's '93) – 6th season, John Fitzpatrick (Bowling Green '80) – 1st season
Director of Basketball Operations: Mark Byington (UNC-Wilmington '98) – 1st season
2003-04 Record: 18-13 (NIT Second Round)
2003-04 ACC Record: 6-10 (7th-tie)
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 10/7

Ranked Cavaliers

Virginia earned its first national ranking in nearly two years in The *Associated Press* Top 25 Poll released November 29. The Cavaliers garnered the 24th spot with 235 points. Virginia was also ranked 25th in the ESPN/*USAToday* Poll. The last time UVa was ranked was in the 2002-03 season when it was 22nd in the AP Poll released December 2, 2002.

The Cavaliers dropped out of The *Associated Press* and ESPN/*USAToday* polls released January 3. UVa was fourth and fifth among teams receiving votes in the AP and ESPN/*USAToday* polls, respectively, that week.

Here is a look at UVa's ranking in the AP and ESPN/*USAToday* polls.

Date	AP Poll	ESPN/USAToday
Nov. 29	24	25
Dec. 6	19	19
Dec. 13	24	23
Dec. 20	25	25
Dec. 27	25	25
Jan. 3	ARV	ARV
Jan. 10	ARV	ARV

ARV – Also Receiving Votes

Cavaliers Down Top Ten Foe

Virginia defeated then No. 10 Arizona 78-60 on November 21 at University Hall, for its first win over a top ten team since the 2002-03 season. That year, the Cavaliers topped No. 8 Maryland 86-78 at the Comcast Center. The Arizona win was the Cavaliers' first over a non-conference top ten team since a 107-89 win over No. 4 Tennessee on December 19, 2000.

ACC Rookies of the Week

In the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons, Virginia has had four different players earn ACC Rookie of the Week honors a

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total of six times. Sean Singletary is a three-time recipient of the award this season and Adrian Joseph has won the award once.

In the last two years, the only other ACC schools to have more than one player named ACC Rookie of the Week are Maryland, Duke and Clemson. All three schools have had two players earn the honor.

Virginia leads all schools in ACC Rookie of the Week selections with 72 over the years. Georgia Tech is second with 68 all-time ACC Rookie of the Week selections.

Smith Returns to Lineup

After missing three consecutive games with an ankle injury – the ACC opener against Wake Forest (Jan. 2), Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8) – Devin Smith returned to UVa's lineup against Miami (Jan. 12).

Smith came off the bench to score a team-high 21 points in 28 minutes of playing time. He made 8-15 attempts from the floor (4-8 from three-point range) and 1-2 free throws. Smith also grabbed six rebounds and had three turnovers vs. the Hurricanes.

Smith recorded his second career double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds against Maryland (Jan. 19) in his first start since injuring his ankle. He was 8-13 from the field in 30 minutes of action. Smith led UVa with 22 points in 35 minutes against Clemson (Jan. 22). He was 9-15 from the field (3-7 on three-pointers) and grabbed five rebounds. Smith continued his strong play with 24 points and six rebounds against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). He was 9-12 from the field, including 4-7 from three-point range, and made 2-3 free throws. Smith scored 24 points against Providence (Feb. 2) for his seventh 20-plus point game of the season.

Smith injured an ankle in the Cavaliers' overtime victory over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23).

Smith leads UVa in scoring with 17.4 points per game (fifth in the ACC) overall and 16.3 points per game in conference play (eighth in the ACC). He is also averaging 6.5 rebounds per contest.

Clark to Miss Remainder of Season

Jason Clark will not play for the Cavaliers for the remainder of the 2004-05 season for academic reasons.

The 6-8 senior from Virginia Beach, Va., played in 13 games this season and averaged 6.7 points and 5.2 rebounds a game. He is fifth on Virginia's all-time blocked shots list with 112. Clark made 166-271 field goal attempts during his career for an impressive 61.3 percent.

Overtime Good for Virginia

With two overtime wins this season, including an 80-79 double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5), the Cavaliers' have won their last five overtime games. UVa also posted a 79-77 overtime win over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) this season.

Last season, UVa defeated Clemson 83-79 (Mar. 11) in the ACC Tournament and Florida State 76-67 (Jan. 18) at home in extra time. In the 2002-03 season, UVa defeated then 13th-ranked Maryland 80-78 in overtime in Charlottesville on March 9, 2003.

The last time the Cavaliers lost in overtime was back in the 1999-2000 season when they lost to Georgetown 115-111 in triple overtime in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament in Charlottesville on March 15, 2000.

Close Games

The Cavaliers have played seven games that have been decided by four points or less, including two overtime affairs. UVa is 6-1 in those close games.

Here's a look at Virginia's seven games decided by four or less points:

Team (Date)	W/L	Score	Site
Northwestern (Dec. 1)	W	48-44	Evanston, Ill.
Auburn (Dec. 3)	W	89-87	Richmond, Va.
Iowa State (Dec. 6)	L	79-81	Ames, Iowa
Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23)	W	79-77 OT	Charlottesville
Western Kentucky (Jan. 5)	W	80-79 2OT	Charlottesville
Clemson (Jan. 22)	W	81-79	Charlottesville
NC State (Feb. 5)	W	64-62	Raleigh, N.C.

Beating the Buzzer

The Cavaliers have scored game-winning baskets in the closing seconds of three games this season.

J.R. Reynolds made a driving layup with 1.5 seconds left in overtime to lift UVa to a 79-77 win over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) in Charlottesville. Reynolds had made only 2-8 field goal attempts prior to the game-winning shot.

T.J. Bannister provided the heroics as he scored after a mad scramble with 2.7 seconds left in double overtime as UVa posted an 80-79 win over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) at University Hall. Bannister was 1-5 from the field before making his short jumper in the lane.

Sean Singletary is the third Cavalier to score a game-winning basket in the closing seconds. He grabbed the offensive rebound on his own missed shot and scored with 2.2 seconds remaining in UVa's 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) in Raleigh.

Head Coach Pete Gillen

Pete Gillen is in his 20th season as a collegiate head coach and sports a 389-215 record for a .644 winning percentage. Gillen is in his seventh season at Virginia and has posted a 115-87 record (.569 winning percentage).

Gillen coached the 600th game of his career against Clemson on January 22 and his 200th game at Virginia on January 29 against North Carolina.

Gillen won his 350th career game on December 21, 2002 when his Cavaliers posted a 61-57 victory over Rutgers. His 300th career victory came when Virginia defeated then 21st-ranked North Carolina 87-85 on January 18, 2000 at University Hall.

Gillen has led his teams to postseason play 16 times in 19 seasons (nine NCAA, seven NIT), including the last five seasons at Virginia. He has been selected as the Conference Coach of the Year five times – all while coaching Xavier (Midwestern Collegiate Conference).

UVa Wins Last Second Thriller Over NC State, 64-62

Sean Singletary followed up his own missed shot and scored the game-winning basket with 2.2 seconds remaining to lift Virginia to a 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) at the RBC Center in Raleigh, N.C. The win snapped UVa's three-game losing streak as well as a seven game slide in Raleigh (and five straight losses at the RBC Center).

Devin Smith and T.J. Bannister led UVa with 14 points apiece. Smith added eight rebounds, while Bannister handed out six assists. Singletary and Gary Forbes both scored 11 points, while Jason Cain tallied seven points and a career-

high nine rebounds.

The Cavaliers let a 14-point lead slip away and fell behind by as many as three points on four occasions late in the game. Virginia led 39-25 with 18:25 to play, but the Wolfpack used a 23-6 run to take a 48-45 lead with 9:30 remaining in the game. Bannister ended the spurt with two free throws with 9:17 to play. After two NC State free throws, Forbes nailed a three to knot the game at 50-50 with 8:34 left. Two more State free throws at the 4:21 mark were answered by a pair of foul shots by Smith to bring the Cavaliers within one, 57-56, with 3:31 to go. The Wolfpack used two more free throws to take a 59-56 lead, but again Virginia's clutch free throw shooting brought it within one, 59-58, as Cain drained a pair of tosses from the charity stripe at the 2:41 mark.

Cain's dunk with 2:18 left put UVa on top, 60-59. A Julius Hodge layup with 1:42 to go put NCSU in front 61-60, but Singletary answered with a jumper with 1:16 to go. The Wolfpack's Cedric Simmons tied the game at 62-62 when he made one of two free throws with 16 seconds left. Singletary then scored the game-winning basket on a put-back of his own missed shot with 2.2 ticks left.

After falling behind 9-2 to start the game, UVa used a 12-2 run to take a 14-11 lead with 10:49 left before intermission and led for the rest of the half. Smith's three-pointer at the halftime buzzer gave the Cavaliers a 34-23 edge.

UVa shot 46.5 percent (20-43) from the field in the game, including 60.9 percent (14-23) in the first half. The Cavaliers held NC State to 40.0 percent (18-45) shooting from the field in the game. Virginia made 20-24 (83.3 percent) of its free throws and held a 33-22 edge in rebounds.

Tony Bethel led NC State with 20 points, while Simmons had 16 points. UVa held Hodge to six points, snapping his double figure scoring streak at 36 games.

Brown Reaches 1,000 Point Plateau

Against Arizona (Nov. 21), Elton Brown became the 38th player in Virginia history to score 1,000 career points. For his career, Brown now has 1,276 points, placing him 22nd in career points at UVa. Cory Alexander (1992-95) holds the 21st spot with 1,286 career points and Norman Nolan (1995-98) is 20th with 1,321 points.

With 1,276 career points, Brown is seventh among active ACC players in career scoring.

Closing in on 1,000

Devin Smith is quickly approaching the 1,000-point milestone. Smith has scored 997 career points at Virginia and needs three more to become the 39th Cavalier to tally 1,000 career points.

Soroye Solid

Tunji Soroye made his most significant contributions of the season against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) and set career highs in multiple categories. The 6-11 freshman center played 13 minutes and started the second half. He tallied four points and four rebounds and blocked a pair of shots while picking up one assist. His minutes, points, rebounds, blocked shots and the assist all marked then career-bests for Soroye.

Against North Carolina (Jan. 29), Soroye set new career highs with 16 minutes played and five rebounds.

Joseph Makes Most of Opportunity

Freshman forward Adrian Joseph made his first career start against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) in place of the injured Devin Smith. Joseph made the most of the opportunity as he tallied 19 points. He connected on 7-12 attempts from the field (3-6 from three-point range) and made both free throw attempts. He played a season-high 32 minutes and had one blocked shot and did not commit a turnover. For his effort, Joseph was named the ACC Rookie of the Week on January 3.

Joseph started five consecutive games before coming off the bench against Maryland (Jan. 19), Clemson (Jan. 22) and Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). He returned to the Cavaliers' starting lineup against North Carolina (Jan. 29) and had five points and four rebounds in 21 minutes.

Against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) he tallied six points and four rebounds in 24 minutes. He made his third consecutive start against Georgia Tech (Jan. 8) and had eight points, one rebound and one steal in 24 minutes. Joseph had 11 points and a career-high seven rebounds in 27 minutes against Miami (Jan. 12). He went scoreless in 15 minutes against Duke (Jan. 15).

Joseph scored eight points in his collegiate debut against Robert Morris (Nov. 19). In his seven games prior to Wake Forest, Joseph had scored just 16 points and played only 67 minutes.

Joseph missed the first game of his career against Providence (Feb. 2) due to a leg injury and also did not play against NC State (Feb. 5).

Smith Joins Elite Group

Devin Smith lit up the scoreboard for a career-high 40 points in UVa's 81-79 loss at Iowa State (Dec. 6). He became the eighth Cavalier to tally 40 or more points in a game and the first since Donald Hand poured in 41 points against N.C. State on February 14, 1999.

His 40 points ties for the fourth highest scoring total in a game this season among all Division I players.

Smith made 11-18 field goal attempts, including 4-8 from three-point range, and 14-15 free throws (including his last 14 attempts).

Smith's 40-point performance marked the 17th time a Virginia player had reached the 40-point plateau.

Here's a list of UVa players who have scored 40 or more points in a game.

Player	Pts	Opponent (Date)
Barry Parkhill	51	Baldwin-Wallace (Dec. 11, 1971)
Buzzy Wilkinson	48	Hampden-Sydney (Dec. 1, 1954)
Buzzy Wilkinson	45	North Carolina (Feb. 8, 1954)
Buzzy Wilkinson	45	Georgetown (Feb. 13, 1954)
Buzzy Wilkinson	45	Roanoke (Feb. 25, 1954)
Buzzy Wilkinson	45	Clemson (Feb. 14, 1955)
Buzzy Wilkinson	43	Washington & Lee (Dec. 31, 1954)
Buzzy Wilkinson	43	VMI (Jan. 8, 1955)
Buzzy Wilkinson	42	Hampden-Sydney (Dec. 2, 1953)
Buzzy Wilkinson	42	Duke (Mar. 4, 1954)
Bob McCarty	42	Clemson (Feb. 12, 1956)
Jim Connelly	42	William & Mary (Dec. 1, 1965)
Tony Laquintano	41	West Virginia (Dec. 17, 1960)
Donald Hand	41	N.C. State (Feb. 14, 1999)
Buzzy Wilkinson	40	Washington & Lee (Mar. 1, 1955)
Ralph Sampson	40	Ohio State (Jan. 25, 1981)
Devin Smith	40	Iowa State (Dec. 6, 2004)

More on 40

Devin Smith's 40 points against Iowa State marked the 13th time a Cyclone opponent has scored 40 or more points in a game. He is the seventh player to score 40 against Iowa State in regulation.

Here's the impressive list Smith joined by scoring 40 points against the Cyclones in regulation.

Player	Team	Points
Wayman Tisdale	Oklahoma	46
Lew Alcindor	UCLA	45
Alvan Adams	Oklahoma	43
Troy Bell	Boston College	42
Anthony Peeler	Missouri	42
Cliff Meely	Colorado	42
Devin Smith	Virginia	40

Only One Starter

Sean Singletary is the only Cavalier to start all 20 games this season. Singletary and Elton Brown both started the first 19 games of the season, but Brown did not start in Virginia's last game against NC State (Feb. 5).

Back-to-Back 20-Point Games

J.R. Reynolds recorded back-to-back games with 20 or more points against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8). Since those two games, Reynolds' scoring has been inconsistent. He has had three games where he scored a total of five points (two points vs. Miami – Jan. 12, three points vs. Duke – Jan. 16, and zero points vs. NC State – Feb. 5). Reynolds also had five consecutive games where he reached double figures in scoring (12 points vs. Maryland – Jan. 19, 11 points vs. Clemson – Jan. 22, 10 points vs. Virginia Tech – Jan. 27, 18 points vs. North Carolina – Jan. 29, 15 points vs. Providence – Feb. 2).

Reynolds has reached double figures in scoring 12 times this season.

The guard equaled his then career-high with 20 points in an 80-79 double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5). Reynolds managed to score 20 points, including 16 after halftime, despite not feeling well. He set a new career-high with 21 points in a 92-69 loss at Georgia Tech (Jan. 8).

On the season, Reynolds is averaging 11.0 points per game.

Singletary Breaks Out

After scoring just 27 points and shooting only 21.2 percent (7-33) over his previous four games, Sean Singletary broke out of his slump against Duke (Jan. 16). He scored a team-high 19 points and made 7-12 attempts from the field (and was also 5-5 from the free throw line). It marked the most points Singletary has scored since tallying 25 against Auburn (Dec. 3).

After scoring eight points in 28 minutes against Maryland (Jan. 19), Singletary came back to score 15 points (5-11 shooting from the floor, including 2-3 on three-pointers, and 3-4 free throws) in 29 minutes vs. Clemson (Jan. 22). Singletary also handed out seven assists against the Tigers.

On the season, Singletary is averaging 9.8 points and 4.0 assists per game. He has reached double digits in scoring in eight games, but never in back-to-back outings.

Double-Double for Forbes

Gary Forbes made the most of his start against Duke (Jan. 16) as he recorded his first career double-double. In his second start of the season, Forbes tallied 17 points and 10 rebounds, including eight offensive boards, in 31 minutes. He was 7-18 from the field and 2-3 from the free throw line.

Forbes' performance against Duke was in stark contrast to his first start of the 2004-05 season. In his first start of the season against Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23), Forbes scored just one point and had three rebounds in 29 minutes of action. He was 0-4 from the field and 1-2 from the free throw line.

Odd number starts seem to be a jinx for Forbes this season. In his third start of the season, Forbes scored just one point in 17 minutes against Maryland (Jan. 19). He was 0-5 from the field and 1-2 from the free throw line. He did have six rebounds and a career-best tying three blocked shots.

Another Double-Double

Devin Smith recorded his second double-double of the season as he totaled 17 points and 10 rebounds against Maryland (Jan. 19). Elton Brown has tallied 10 double-doubles on the season and Gary Forbes has one.

Cain Makes First Start

Jason Cain earned his first career start against Clemson (Jan. 22) and also started against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Providence (Feb. 2) and NC State (Feb. 5). Cain did not start against North Carolina (Jan. 29). The 6-10 sophomore played 20 minutes, scored four points and had one rebound vs. Clemson. He made 2-5 attempts from the field and had one assist and one steal.

Against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Cain did not attempt a field goal and was charged with four turnovers. He had two points, five rebounds, one assist and one steal against the Friars (Feb. 2). Cain played a pivotal role in UVA's win over NC State (Feb. 5) in his fourth start of the season. He equaled his season high with seven points and pulled down a career-best nine rebounds in 34 minutes – another career high. Cain also had one assist, one blocked shot and one steal while committing one turnover.

Cain is the ninth Cavalier to earn a starting nod this season.

Good Shooting

The Cavaliers broke out of a seven-game shooting slump by hitting 32-56 attempts from the field for 57.1 percent shooting against Clemson (Jan. 22). Virginia followed that performance with a 50.9 percent (27-53) effort against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). UVA's previous season high shooting percentage was 54.2 percent (32-59) against Arizona (Nov. 19).

Virginia's shooting woes returned against North Carolina (Jan. 29) as UVA shot 39.1 percent (25-64). UVA managed only 41.3 percent (26-63) shooting against Providence (Feb. 2), but shot a respectable 46.5 percent (20-43) vs. NC State (Feb. 5).

Virginia's 57.1 percent shooting is its highest in a game since making 58.2 percent (32-55) of its shots against Brown (Mar. 19) in the first round of the 2003 NIT.

It is also UVA's highest shooting percentage in an ACC contest since connecting on 59.2 percent (29-49) of its attempts from the floor against Clemson on January 18, 2003.

Only Six Turnovers

The Cavaliers committed a season-low six turnovers against Clemson (Jan. 22). Virginia's previous low for turnovers in a game this season was eight miscues against Auburn (Dec. 3) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8).

In its next game against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Virginia committed a season-high 22 turnovers. UVA had 17 turnovers against North Carolina (Jan. 29), but trimmed that number to 10 against Providence (Feb. 2).

The six turnovers are the fewest a Gillen coached Virginia team has committed in an ACC contest. The Cavaliers twice had seven turnovers in an ACC game – North Carolina (Jan. 19, 2000) and Wake Forest (Feb. 17, 2002).

The previous time UVA had less than six turnovers in a game was last season against Iowa State (Dec. 31) when the Cavaliers had only five turnovers. UVA had six turnovers last season against William & Mary (Jan. 5).

Cavaliers Improve to 3-2 in ACC/Big Ten Challenge

With a 48-44 victory at Northwestern on December 1, Virginia improved its record to 3-2 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. The Cavaliers also helped the ACC win the series for the sixth consecutive year as ACC schools won seven of nine contests. The ACC's cumulative record in the Challenge is 34-19.

From Hectic to a Long Layoff

Virginia's home game against Furman on December 8 closed out a stretch of five games in 11 days (and four in eight days – all four at different venues). UVA's game against Loyola Marymount on December 23 was the Cavaliers' first since the Furman game – a 14-day layoff for final exams.

Virginia's game against Wake Forest (an 89-70 loss) on January 2 was UVA's first since the Loyola Marymount game – a nine-day layoff.

After playing five games in 11 days in late November and early December, the Wake Forest game was just UVA's third game in 25 days.

The Antithesis

After defeating an extremely deliberate Northwestern team 48-44 (Dec. 1) in Evanston, Ill., the Cavaliers put their track shoes on and posted an 89-87 victory over Auburn (Dec. 3) in Richmond, Va.

Virginia scored 41 more points against Auburn than it did versus Northwestern. It marked the largest increase in points from one game to the next since the end of the 1999-2000 season. UVA scored 65 points in a loss to NC State (Mar. 10) in the ACC Tournament, then scored 111 points in a triple overtime loss to Georgetown (Mar. 15) in the National Invitation Tournament.

Bannister Assists

T.J. Bannister has a streak of 11 consecutive games with three or more assists, including seven assists against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8).

On the season, Bannister is averaging 3.5 assists per game. He has made 53-63 free throws for an impressive 84.1 percent.

Bannister scored a season-high 14 points in UVA's win over NC State (Feb. 5). His eight free throws made and 10 attempts against the Wolfpack established career highs in those two categories.

Double-Doubles

Elton Brown has registered 10 double-doubles in the Cavaliers' first 20 games this season and is second in the ACC in that category through games played February 8. He is the 11th Cavalier to register 10 or more double-doubles in a season.

Here's a look at Brown's double-doubles this season.

Robert Morris (Nov. 19)	13 points, 12 rebounds
Appalachian State (Nov. 24)	24 points, 12 rebounds
Richmond (Nov. 28)	12 points, 10 rebounds
Northwestern (Dec. 1)	15 points, 12 rebounds
Iowa State (Dec. 6)	13 points, 11 rebounds
Furman (Dec. 8)	16 points, 12 rebounds
Western Kentucky (Jan. 5)	10 points, 12 rebounds
Miami (Jan. 12)	20 points, 10 rebounds
Maryland (Jan. 19)	18 points, 10 rebounds
Virginia Tech (Jan. 27)	19 points, 15 rebounds

Brown now has 14 career double-doubles. He is averaging 14.6 points and 9.0 rebounds per game in 2004-05. His 15 rebounds against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) established a new career high.

Early Defense

The Cavaliers held their first five opponents to 60 or fewer points – Robert Morris (55), Arizona (60), Appalachian State (60), Richmond (58), and Northwestern (44). Auburn broke that streak with 87 points in a two point loss to UVa (Dec. 3).

The last time UVa limited its first five opponents to 60 or less points was back in the 1948-49 season. In the 1948-49 season, the Cavaliers held their first nine opponents to 60 or fewer points.

Only once during the Pete Gillen era has UVa held more than five opponents to 60 or fewer points in a game and that was six times during the 1998-99 season (Gillen's first at Virginia).

Since holding its first five opponents to 60 or less points, UVa's last 15 opponents have averaged 83.5 points per game. The Cavaliers have only held two opponents under 77 points and that was Furman (Dec. 8) with 67 points and NC State (Feb. 5) with 62 points. Prior to holding NC State to 62 points, UVa's prior 14 opponents had averaged 85.1 points per game.

More Defense

Virginia held Northwestern to only 44 points in a 48-44 victory (Dec. 1) in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. It marked the fewest points the Cavaliers have allowed in a game in the Pete Gillen era. The previous low by a UVa opponent for points in a game in the Gillen era was 48 points by Virginia Tech (in a 64-48 Cavalier win) on November 24, 2000.

The 44 points by Northwestern also marked the fewest points Virginia has allowed in a game since holding UMBC to 34 points (in a 57-34 UVa win) on December 21, 1996. It is also the lowest point total by a UVa opponent on its home court since the Cavaliers held UNLV to 39 points (a 59-39 UVa win) in Las Vegas on January 3, 1994.

Just Enough Offense

UVa's 48 points against Northwestern marked the fewest points in a Virginia victory in the Pete Gillen era. The previous low was 58 points (in a 58-55 win) at Clemson (Feb. 21) last season. It also marked the fewest points scored in a UVa victory since the 1981-82 season when the Cavaliers defeated NC State 45-40 on February 20.

UVa's 48 points against Northwestern are one point more than the fewest points scored in a game under Gillen. The Cavaliers managed just 47 points in losses to North Carolina (Jan. 21, 1999) and Georgia Tech (Feb. 9, 2000).

Smith Seventh in Three-Point Field Goals

Senior forward Devin Smith has made 137 career three-point field goals for the Cavaliers and is tied with Roger Mason, Jr. (2000-02) for seventh place all-time at Virginia. Cory Alexander (1992-95) is sixth with 142 career three-pointers.

Here's a look at Virginia's all-time three-point field goal leaders list:

1. Curtis Staples (1995-98)	413 – NCAA record
2. Harold Deane (1994-97)	237
3. John Crotty (1988-91)	179
4. Todd Billet (2003-04)	156
Donald Hand (1998-01)	156
6. Cory Alexander (1992-95)	142
7. Devin Smith (2003-pres.)	137
Roger Mason, Jr. (2000-02)	137
9. Richard Morgan (1986-89)	132
10. Chris Williams (1999-02)	130

Smith Having Great Season

After being plagued by a back injury last season, Devin Smith is having a great senior season. Smith, who led UVa in scoring in nine of the 17 games he has played this season, is averaging 17.4 points per game (fifth in the ACC) while shooting 49.8 percent (105-211) from the field, including 38.2 percent (39-102) from three-point range. He is also averaging 6.5 rebounds per game.

Smith scored a career-high 40 points while making 11-18 field goal attempts (4-8 three-pointers) and 14-15 free throws against Iowa State (Dec. 6). He also grabbed 10 rebounds for his first career double-double. He scored 26 points while making 8-13 field goal attempts (5-10 three-pointers) against Richmond (Nov. 28). He was also 5-6 from the free throw line. Against Auburn (Dec. 3), Smith had 23 points and eight rebounds. He made 9-14 attempts from the field, including 4-7 from three-point range.

Before leaving the Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) game in the second half with an injury, Smith had 12 points, five rebounds and a career-high five blocked shots. After missing three games with the injury, Smith came back to score 21 points against Miami (Jan. 12). He also pulled down six rebounds.

He registered his second career double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds against Maryland (Jan. 19). Smith tallied a team-high 22 points in Virginia's win over Clemson (Jan. 22). He again led the team in scoring with 24 points against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). His 24 points vs. Providence (Feb. 2) led UVa.

Last season, Smith played in 27 of 31 games and averaged 12.2 points per game. He rarely practiced with the team in the latter portion of the season due to his back injury.

Nearly Perfect

The Cavaliers made 20-21 free throws for 95.2 percent accuracy against Duke (Jan. 16). It tied for the third-best "non-perfect" free throw shooting effort by Virginia in school history. It also tied for the best non-perfect free throw shooting performance on the road.

On January 9, 1993, UVa also made 20-21 free throws at NC State. The Cavaliers' best non-perfect game from the charity stripe was a 24-25 (96.0 percent) effort at home against Marquette on November 26, 1988. UVa was 21-22 (95.5 percent) from the free throw line at home vs. North Carolina on January 15, 1983.

Over the years, UVa has had 12 contests when it did not miss a free throw in a game. The most free throws UVa made in a game without missing was 16 against South Carolina on January 8, 1965. Most recently, UVa was 12-12 against NC State on December 28, 2003.

Shooting Better at Home

The Cavaliers have struggled shooting the basketball on the road. In eight away games UVa has eclipsed 45 percent shooting only two times – 50.9 percent (27-53) at Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) and 46.5 percent (20-43) at NC State (Feb. 5). The Cavaliers have shot under 35 percent in three road games.

Virginia is shooting just 39.7 percent (185-466) in eight away games this season, including 32.8 percent (44-134) from three-point range. At home, UVa shoots 46.0 percent (316-687) overall and 32.7 percent (71-217) from three-point land.

In its 11 wins, Virginia is shooting 47.9 percent (310-647), while in nine losses, the Cavaliers are shooting only 39.4 percent (224-568).

On the season, UVa is shooting 44.0 percent (534-1,215) from the floor and 41.2 percent (225-546) in ACC play.

Outblocked

Part of the Cavaliers' shooting woes stem from the fact that they have had 103 shots blocked in 20 games this season (5.2 per game). In nine ACC games, UVa has had 61 shots blocked for an average of 6.8 per game. Virginia has blocked 27 shots in nine conference games.

Over the last nine games, Virginia has had 68 of its shots blocked for an average of 7.6 per game. The 68 blocked shots represent 12.4 percent of the Cavaliers' field goal attempts (550 attempts) over the last nine contests. UVa has only blocked 25 of its opponents shots over the last nine games. That represents 4.7 percent of opponents shots (529 attempts).

Most Points by a Freshman

Sean Singletary scored 25 points in UVa's 89-87 win over Auburn (Dec. 3). It marked the most points in a game by a Cavalier freshman since the 1998-99 season. Chris Williams scored 25 or more points in five games as a rookie in 1998-99, while classmate Adam Hall scored 27 points in a game the same season.

The last time Williams scored 25 or more points in a game as a freshman was against NC State (Jan. 14) when he tallied 27. He had a season-high 34 points versus Liberty (Dec. 8), marking the first time he scored 25 or more points in a game. Hall scored his 27 points against Hampton (Nov. 25).

Campbell Makes Most of Opportunity

Reserve guard Billy Campbell scored a career-high eight points against North Carolina (Jan. 29). He made all three field goal attempts, including a pair of three-pointers, in six minutes of playing time. Campbell also made his only field goal attempt against Providence (Feb. 2).

Starting Strong

For the fourth time in the last five years (including this season), Virginia started its season with six consecutive victories. UVa had its winning streak snapped with an 81-79 loss to Iowa State (Dec. 6).

The only time in the last five seasons the Cavaliers did not win their first six games was in the 2002-2003 season when the team lost its fourth and fifth games of the season after starting out 3-0.

Last season, Virginia won its first eight games. In 2001-2002, UVa won its first nine games of the season and in 2000-2001, the Cavaliers reeled off 10 consecutive victories to begin the season. The 10 straight wins marked UVa's best start since the 1992-93 team started the season with an 11-0 mark.

McDonald Earns Sportscaster Award

Mac McDonald, the Director of Broadcasting for Cavalier Sports Marketing and play-by-play voice for the University of Virginia, has been selected the 2004-05 Sportscaster of the Year in the state of Virginia. McDonald, who also serves as a host of Charlottesville Radio Group's WINA morning show, was selected by a statewide ballot of his peers in conjunction with the National Association of Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association in Salisbury, N.C. McDonald, who is in his ninth consecutive season with the Cavaliers, is also host of his own charity golf tournament that has raised over \$200,000 in four years for the UVA Children's Medical Center. He also served as the "Voice of the Cavaliers" from 1980-85.

Virginia Picked Eighth

At the 43rd annual Atlantic Coast Conference Operation Basketball in Greensboro, N.C., on October 31, the Cavaliers were picked eighth in the media's pre-season poll. Wake Forest topped the list followed by North Carolina.

Virginia freshman guard Sean Singletary was second in the voting for pre-season ACC Rookie of the Year behind Marvin Williams from North Carolina.

Virginia Travels North of the Border

The Virginia men's basketball team traveled to Montreal for three exhibition games October 8-10. The Cavaliers won all three games, defeating Royal Military College (111-52, Oct. 8) and Concordia University (88-76, Oct. 9) in the Concordia Nike Tournament, and McGill University (83-46, Oct. 10).

Six UVa players averaged double figures in scoring during the trip. Senior forward-center Elton Brown averaged 19 points a game, shot 75 percent (21-28) from the field in the three games and was named the Most Valuable Player in the Concordia Nike Tournament. Other players averaging in double figures in scoring during the three-game trip were sophomore guard J.R. Reynolds (14.7 ppg.), sophomore forward-guard Gary Forbes (13.0 ppg.), senior forward Devin Smith (12.7 ppg.), freshman forward Adrian Joseph (10.0 ppg.) and freshman guard Sean Singletary (10.0 ppg.). Smith was named to the All-Tournament team at the Concordia Nike Tournament.

UVa Downs Marymount University in Second Exhibition

Senior center Elton Brown scored 23 points and grabbed 16 rebounds, and sophomore guard J.R. Reynolds also scored 23 points to lead the University of Virginia men's basketball team to a 129-75 victory over Marymount University in an exhibition game at University Hall on November 12.

Senior forward Devin Smith added 18 points, five rebounds and two blocked shots for the Cavaliers. Also scoring in double figures for UVa were senior forward Jason Clark (15), sophomore forward Gary Forbes (11) and freshman forward Adrian Joseph (10).

Virginia shot 59.5 percent (50-84) from the field for the game and out-rebounded Marymount 64-29. The Cavaliers led 72-39 at halftime after shooting 65.2 percent (30-46) from the field in the first half.

Freshman guard Evan Martin led Marymount with 21 points and five rebounds.

UVa Wins Exhibition Opener

Virginia shot 64.1 percent (50-78) from the field, including 50 percent (10-20) from three-point range, and had seven players score in double figures in a 121-29 victory over Lehman College in an exhibition game at University Hall on November 5.

Sophomore forward/guard Gary Forbes made all nine of his shots from the field and scored 21 points off the bench to lead the Cavaliers. Senior forward Devin Smith had 17 points, and senior center/forward Elton Brown scored 14 points and had a game-high 10 rebounds. Sophomore forward Jason Cain had 13 points and nine rebounds for Virginia. Also scoring in double figures for the Cavaliers were senior forward Jason Clark (13), freshman forward Adrian Joseph (11) and freshman guard Sean Singletary (10).

UVa led 69-14 at halftime after shooting 73 percent (27-37) from the field in the first half, including 58.3 percent (7-12) from three-point range.

Senior forward Miguel Jorge led Lehman with 11 points and three steals.

Fitzpatrick and Byington Join Coaching Staff

Virginia's men's basketball coaching staff has changed since last season. John Fitzpatrick was named an assistant coach after spending the past four years as an assistant at the University of Houston.

Mark Byington joins the staff as the Director of Men's Basketball Operations. Byington took over the position after Alexis Sherard was named an assistant coach. Byington was an assistant coach at the College of Charleston the last two seasons.

Virginia In Postseason Play Five Consecutive Years

Virginia received an invitation to the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) following the 2003-04 regular season. UVa defeated George Washington University 79-66 at University Hall in the first round of the tournament. The Cavaliers then suffered a 73-63 loss at Villanova in the second round. It was the Cavaliers 11th NIT appearance and the team's fifth consecutive postseason appearance. Virginia finished the 2003-04 season with an overall record of 18-13 and a 6-10 mark in the ACC.

Cavaliers Welcome Three Newcomers

Joining the Cavaliers this season are 6-7' freshman forward Adrian Joseph, 6-0' freshman guard Sean Singletary, and 6-11' freshman center Tunji Soroye.

Joseph attended Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro, N.H., during the 2003-04 academic year, and averaged 17.5 points, 11 rebounds and four assists a game. He earned first-team All-New England Class A honors, All-Tournament honors at the National Prep School Invitational Tournament and was a 2004 McDonald's All-America nominee.

Singletary played at The William Penn Charter School where he averaged 23 points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals a game as a senior during the 2003-04 season. He earned first-team Philadelphia Inter-Academic League, first-team All-City and first-team All-State honors his junior and senior seasons, and received the Herb Good Basketball Club Award for being the Player of the Year in the Inter-Academic League as a senior. Singletary was also honored as the state and Philadelphia Player of the Year after his senior season, the Philadelphia Inquirer's Southeastern Pennsylvania Player of the Year and he received the Police Athletic League Athlete of the Year award and the Markward Scholar-Athlete Award.

Soroye averaged 11.2 points and 8.9 rebounds a game for the 2003-04 season as a senior at Montrose Christian School in Rockville, Md. He was voted the Most Valuable Player of the National Association of Christian Athletes Tournament (NACA). Soroye was also voted a NACA All-American, and he earned All-Metro honors in 2004.

Sixteen Games Against Tournament Teams

Of Virginia's 27 regular-season games before the 2005 ACC Tournament, 16 are against 11 teams that participated in either the 2004 NCAA Tournament or the National Invitation Tournament (NIT). The Cavaliers meet league foes and NCAA Tournament participants Duke (lost 80-66) and Georgia Tech (lost 92-69) once, and Maryland (lost 82-68), North Carolina (lost 110-76), N.C. State (won 64-62) and Wake Forest twice (lost 89-70), while also matching up twice against NIT participant Florida State. In addition to those games, Virginia plays 2004 NCAA participants Arizona (won, 78-60), Providence (lost, 98-79) and Richmond (won, 85-58) while also facing 2004 NIT participant Iowa State (lost 81-79).

John Paul Jones Arena On Its Way

On May 30, 2003 ground was broken on the University of Virginia's new special events center, the John Paul Jones Arena. Scheduled for completion in the summer of 2006, the \$130 million arena will replace University Hall. The new 15,000-seat arena will feature training and weight rooms, men's and women's basketball locker rooms, coaches' offices, and one-and-a-half practice courts per program so the men's and women's basketball teams can practice simultaneously, and when the arena is being used for other purposes.

Virginia Signs Three to Letters of Intent

University of Virginia men's head basketball coach Pete Gillen has announced the signing of three individuals to national letters of intent with Virginia. The three individuals are 6-5 guard/forward Mamadi Diane of Potomac, Md.; 6-8 forward Laurynas Mikalauskas of Lithuania; and 6-10 center Sam Warren of Greenwood Village, Colo.

Diane averaged 15.7 points, 9.1 rebounds and 2.9 steals a game for DeMatha Catholic High School (Hyattsville, Md.) as a junior during the 2003-04 season. He shot 41 percent from three-point range. Diane was a second-team All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference selection last season and was a first-team preseason All-State selection this year.

Mikalauskas averaged 18.3 points and 11.4 rebounds a game for the Blue Ridge School (Dyke, Va.) last season. He earned first-team Virginia Independent Schools Division I All-State honors as a junior last season, and first-team All-Virginia Prep League honors as a sophomore and a junior. He also earned first-team All-Central Virginia recognition from the Charlottesville Daily Progress for the 2003-04 season.

Warren, who is in his first year at Cherry Creek High School in Englewood, Colo., played with the Colorado Select AAU team last summer and participated in the 2004 Junior Olympic Festival. He also was rated among the top big men at the Adidas camp in Sewanee, Ga., last summer.

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MIKE FORKIN

F, 6-5 189, So.
Centreville, Va.
Westfield High School

WORTH NOTING: Joined the team after tryouts in October.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered twice in basketball at Westfield High School for head coach Bob McKeag ... earned second-team All-District honors as a senior.

PERSONAL: Michael Joseph Forkin ... nickname "Mike" ... born March 5, 1985 in Arlington, Va. ... son of Gwen and Ed Forkin ... has a younger sister, Erin ... member of the National Honor Society at Westfield High School ... has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity ... aerospace engineering major.