

# 2006-07 VIRGINIA MEN'S BASKETBALL

## 2006-07 Schedule

**VIRGINIA**  
**13-6 OVERALL**  
**5-2 ACC**

**H: 10-1, A: 2-3, N: 1-2**

Nov. 4	AUGUSTA STATE (Exhib.)	W, 78-63
Nov. 12	#10 ARIZONA (FSNS/FSN-FL/NESN/CSN [in Va.]..)	W, 93-90
Nov. 19	MORGAN STATE	W, 85-66
Nov. 22	UNC ASHEVILLE	W, 81-64
Nov. 26	MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE	W, 104-63
Nov. 29	at Purdue# (ESPN2)	L, 59-61
Dec. 3	NC STATE* (FSN)	W, 67-62
Dec. 16	HAMPTON	W, 91-69
Dec. 19	vs. Appalachian State^	L, 69-80
Dec. 20	vs. Utah^	L, 70-94
Dec. 21	vs. Puerto Rico-Mayaguez^	W, 59-52
Dec. 28	AMERICAN	W, 91-70
Jan. 3	GONZAGA (ESPN2)	W, 108-87
Jan. 7	STANFORD (FSN)	L, 75-76
Jan. 10	at #1 North Carolina* (RLF Split)	L, 69-79
Jan. 13	at Boston College* (RLF)	L, 73-78
Jan. 16	MARYLAND* (RLF Split)	W, 103-91
Jan. 21	WAKE FOREST* (RLF)	W, 88-76
Jan. 24	at NC State* (RLF Split)	W, 71-58
Jan. 28	at #19 Clemson* (RLF)	W, 64-63
Feb. 1	#8 DUKE* (ESPN)	9 p.m.
Feb. 3	MIAMI* (ESPN-U)	8 p.m.
Feb. 6	at Maryland* (RSN)	9 p.m.
Feb. 10	at Virginia Tech* (RLF Split)	4 p.m.
Feb. 13	LONGWOOD	7 p.m.
Feb. 17	FLORIDA STATE* (RLF Split)	1 p.m.
Feb. 21	at Miami*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 24	GEORGIA TECH* (ABC)	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 1	VIRGINIA TECH* (ESPN)	7 p.m.
Mar. 3	at Wake Forest* (RLF)	1 p.m.
Mar. 8	ACC Tournament First Round	TBA
Mar. 9	ACC Tournament Quarterfinals	TBA
Mar. 10	ACC Tournament Semifinals	TBA
Mar. 11	ACC Tournament Final	TBA

#- ACC/Big Ten Challenge

\*- Atlantic Coast Conference Game

^- San Juan Shootout, Carolina, Puerto Rico

TV Key: FSN - Fox Sports Net; FSN-FL - Fox Sports Net Florida; FSNS - Fox Sports Net South; NESN - New England Sports Network; CSN - Comcast Sports Net; RLF - Raycom-Lincoln Financial Sports; RSN - Regional Sports Network, consists of Comcast Sports Net, Fox Sports Net Florida and Fox Sports Net South.

Times are Eastern Standard.  
 All game times are subject to change.

**VIRGINIA (13-6, 5-2)**

**VS.**

**#8/#10 DUKE (18-3, 5-2)**

**FEBRUARY 1, 2007 • 9:00 P.M.**

**JOHN PAUL JONES ARENA (15,219)**

**CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.**

### TELEVISION

Tonight's game will be televised by ESPN. Mike Patrick will handle the play-by-play. Len Elmore is the analyst. Doris Burke is the sideline reporter.

### RADIO

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

### OFFICIALS

### THE GAME

Virginia enters tonight's conference game against Duke with a 13-6 overall record and a 5-2 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Cavaliers have won their last four games, including a 64-63 come-from-behind victory over then 19th-ranked Clemson (Jan. 28) at Littlejohn Coliseum in Clemson, S.C.

Duke is 18-3 overall and 5-2 in the ACC. The Blue Devils, who are ranked eighth in The Associated Press and 10th in the ESPN/USAToday Top 25 polls, are coming off a 75-61 win over Boston College (Jan. 28) in Durham, N.C. Duke has won its last five games.

### A NEW ERA

A new era of Virginia basketball began on Nov. 12 when the Cavaliers christened the John Paul Jones Arena with a 93-90 victory over Arizona. The arena, which officially opened in August of 2006, seats 15,219 for basketball games.

Virginia is 10-1 in the John Paul Jones Arena.

### THE SERIES VS. DUKE

Duke leads the all-time series with the Cavaliers 107-47 and has won the last nine meetings. The previous five meet-



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## Virginia's PROBABLE Starters

No.	Pos.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Ppg.	Rpg.	Apg.	Mpg	Notes
33	F	Jason Cain	6-10	225	Sr.	7.1	6.7	0.9	20.8	Has 8 career double-doubles, two this season
24	G/F	Mamadi Diane	6-5	197	So.	11.1	3.8	1.3	27.6	Career high 26 points vs. Maryland (Jan. 16)
11	F	Laurynas Mikalauskas	6-8	255	So.	3.8	1.6	0.4	13.5	Season-high 10 points vs. North Carolina (Jan. 10)
2	G	J.R. Reynolds	6-2 1/2	188	Sr.	18.2	3.7	4.0	31.1	ACC Player of the Week on Jan. 22; 40 pts. vs. Wake
44	G	Sean Singletary	6-0	185	Jr.	19.0	4.4	5.0	31.9	Back-to-back 30 pt. games (33 vs. American, 37 vs. Gonzaga)

## Virginia's Key Reserves

1	F/G	Will Harris	6-6	230	Fr.	3.9	4.1	0.6	15.6	Made first career start vs. American (Dec. 28)
30	F	Adrian Joseph	6-7	205	Jr.	7.7	4.1	1.3	24.4	Career-high 10 rebounds vs. Purdue
21	C	Tunji Soroye	6-11	245	Jr.	1.3	2.3	0.1	9.7	Saw first game action of 2006-07 vs. Purdue (Nov. 29)
12	F	Jamil Tucker	6-8	230	Fr.	3.6	2.3	0.1	10.9	Career-high 12 pts vs. Gonzaga (Jan. 3) and Maryland (Jan. 16)
55	F/C	Jerome Meynsse	6-8	230	Fr.	1.5	1.7	0.1	8.2	Scored a career-high 9 points vs. UMES
34	F/C	Ryan Pettinella	6-9	238	Jr.	5.1	3.7	0.0	14.9	Has missed the last nine games with a knee injury
45	G/F	Soloman Tat	6-5	220	Fr.	2.2	1.7	0.8	8.8	Played in last eight games after missing 10 because of injury

ings have taken place either at Duke (three games) or in the ACC Tournament (twice – 2004 and 2005).

The Blue Devils, ranked second at the time, won the only regular season meeting last season 82-63 (Jan. 28) in Durham. Duke won twice in the 2004-05 season, 80-66 (Jan. 16) in Durham and 76-64 (Mar. 11) in the quarterfinals of the ACC Tournament in Washington, D.C. The Blue Devils were ranked fifth at the time of both meetings in 2004-05.

The Blue Devils swept all three meetings in the 2003-04 season from UVa. Duke, ranked second in the nation at the time, won the first meeting 93-71 (Jan. 11) in Charlottesville - its last trip to UVa until tonight's game. The Blue Devils also won 93-75 (Feb. 11) in Durham when they were the top-rated team in the nation. In the ACC Tournament, then fifth-ranked Duke won 84-74 (Mar. 12) in Greensboro, N.C.

Duke began its current winning streak against the Cavaliers with three wins in the 2002-03 season. Virginia's last win in the series was an 87-84 triumph on Feb. 28, 2002 in Charlottesville.

Duke has dominated the series in the last 23 years, winning 43 of the last 53 meetings since Ralph Sampson's graduation from Virginia in 1983. The Blue Devils have also won 22 of the last 24 meetings dating back to the last matchup of the 1995-96 season. Only six of the last 24 games have been decided by fewer than 10 points.

Although Duke owns a big lead in the series, Virginia is 32-34 all-time against Duke on the Cavaliers' various home floors throughout the years. UVa was 19-20 against Duke at University Hall with the Cavaliers winning two of the last four meetings in U-Hall.

## PLAYING RANKED BLUE DEVIL TEAMS

Twenty one of UVa's last 22 meetings against Duke have occurred with the Blue Devils being ranked in the top 10 of The Associated Press Poll. UVa is 2-20 in the last 22 meetings against a top-10 Blue Devil squad. Duke is currently ranked eighth in The AP Poll (and 10th in the ESPN/USAToday Poll). The meeting in the 2003 ACC Tournament on Mar. 14 was the first time since Jan. 18, 1997 that the Blue Devils were not ranked in the top 10 when the two teams met. Duke was ranked 12th when it defeated UVa 83-76 in the 2003 ACC Tournament. The previous time the Blue Devils were not a top 10 team when they played UVa was on Jan. 18, 1997 – 13th (a 78-59 Duke win).

After dropping 10 consecutive meetings against top-10 ranked Duke teams, the Cavaliers have won two of the last 12 games, including an 87-84 victory at University Hall (Feb. 28, 2002) – the last Virginia win over Duke. The other Cavalier victory was a 91-89 decision on February 14, 2001 at U-Hall. In both games, Duke was ranked third in the AP Poll.

In the past nine seasons, Virginia has played Duke when the Blue Devils

## QUICK FACTS

Location ..... Charlottesville, Va. 22904  
 Founded.....1819, by Thomas Jefferson  
 Enrollment.....20,399  
 President..... John T. Casteen III  
 Athletics Director..... Craig Littlepage  
 Nicknames..... Cavaliers, Wahoos, 'Hoos  
 Colors..... Blue & Orange  
 Conference ..... Atlantic Coast  
 Home Court..... John Paul Jones Arena (15,219)  
 Press Row Phone ..... 434-296-5910

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach..... Dave Leitao  
 Career Record ..... 108-90 (7 yrs.)  
 Record at Virginia..... 28-21 (2 yrs.)  
 Assistant Coaches ..... Bill Courtney,  
 Rob Lanier, Steve Seymour  
 Director of Operations ..... Drew Diener  
 Asst. Dir. of Operations ... Oliver Winterbone  
 Strength Coach..... Shaun Brown  
 Athletic Trainer ..... Jeff Boyer  
 First Season of Basketball ..... 1905-06  
 All-Time Record ..... 1,343-1,040 (102 yrs.)  
 University Hall..... 402-143 (41 yrs.)  
 JPJ Arena..... 10-1 (first season)  
 All-Time ACC Record ..... 309-445 (56 yrs.)  
 ACC Tourn. Record ..... 30-52 (53 yrs.)  
 NCAA Tourn. Record ..... 21-15 (15 yrs.)  
 NIT Record ..... 15-10 (12 yrs.)

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were ranked as the nation's top team eight times.

-In 1997-98 Duke was ranked #1 at the time of all three meetings. (Virginia became the first team in NCAA history to play the nation's #1 team five times in one season when, in addition to three games vs. Duke, UVa also played North Carolina twice when it was atop the polls).

-In 1998-99, the Blue Devils were ranked #1 when they defeated UVa 100-54 in Charlottesville (Feb. 11) and 104-67 in the ACC Tournament (Mar. 4).

-In 2001-2002, Virginia lost to #1 Duke 94-81 (Jan. 27) in Durham.

-In 2002-03, the Blue Devils were #1 when they recorded a 104-93 win (Jan. 15) in Durham.

-In 2003-04, UVa fell to the top-rated Blue Devils 93-75 (Feb. 11) in Durham.

Overall, Virginia hasn't fared well against a nationally-ranked Duke squad. The Cavaliers are 14-60 against a ranked Duke team and 11-52 vs. top 10 Blue Devil teams. Virginia has never defeated a #1 or #2 ranked Duke team (0-21 all-time), but has four wins over #3 Blue Devil teams and one victory over Duke teams ranked fourth through 10th (one victory over #4, #5, etc.).

UVa is 1-4 all-time against eighth-ranked Duke teams. The Cavaliers are 1-3 vs. No. 8 Duke teams in Charlottesville.

All-time, the Cavaliers are 7-10 vs. No. 8 teams in the country, including a 4-6 mark at home.

## LAST SEASON VS. DUKE

The second-ranked Blue Devils raced out to a 20-2 lead and shot 55.3 percent from the field in the game to register an 82-63 win (Jan. 28) over Virginia at Cameron Indoor Stadium in the only meeting between the two teams in the 2005-06 season.

Duke took a quick 3-0 lead and after a Sean Singletary layup, the Blue Devils scored the next 17 points to grab a 20-2 lead with 11:00 remaining in the first half. The Cavaliers ended their scoring drought that lasted more than seven minutes on a Singletary jumper with 10:47 left in the opening stanza. UVa came back to cut the deficit to nine, 33-24, with 17 seconds left on J.R. Reynolds' second three-pointer of the first half. Duke led 35-24 at the half when Shelden Williams made a jumper in the closing seconds.

Duke extended its lead to as many as 29 points (61-32) with 12:44 remaining in the second half. The Cavaliers could get no closer than 17 points (64-47) after that when Singletary made a pair of free throws with 8:15 to play.

Reynolds led UVa with 19 points and made all three of his three-point attempts. Singletary added 13 points and six assists, while Jason Cain notched 10 points and seven rebounds.

The Blue Devils made 26-47 attempts from the field for 55.3 percent, including 10-18 attempts from three-point range (55.6 percent). UVa managed to shoot only 35.7 percent (20-56) from the floor, but made 19-22 free throws (86.4 percent). UVa held a 31-28 edge in rebounds, but committed 19 turnovers, 14 of which were Duke steals. Duke had 17 turnovers in the contest, including 15 miscues in the first stanza.

J.J. Redick scored 40 points (including eight three-pointers) in the game. Williams added 17 points, 10 rebounds, eight blocks and four assists.

## VIRGINIA WINS ACC OPENER, OFF TO GOOD START

Virginia snapped a streak of losses in 11 consecutive Atlantic Coast Conference openers with its 67-62 win over NC State (Dec. 3) at the John Paul Jones Arena.

Since the ACC season-opening win over NC State, the Cavaliers have won four of their last six conference games, including four in a row, to improve to 5-2 in the ACC. UVa is three games over .500 in the ACC for the first time since the 2000-01 season when UVa was 9-6 with one game remaining in league play at Maryland (Mar. 3). Virginia lost that game.

The last time Virginia was four games over .500 in the ACC was in the 1994-95 season when the Cavaliers started ACC action with a 5-1 record and

## 2006-07 ACC Preseason Media Poll

Team	Points
1. North Carolina (59)	741
2. Duke (2)	660
3. Boston College (1)	619
4. Georgia Tech	531
5. Florida State	410
6. Virginia Tech	385
7. Maryland	375
<b>8. Virginia</b>	<b>365</b>
9. Clemson	281
10. Wake Forest	177
11. Miami	173
12. NC State	119
(first place votes)	

## 2006-07 Preseason All-ACC Teams

### All-ACC First Team

Tyler Hansbrough, UNC	62
Jared Dudley, BC	58
<b>Sean Singletary, UVa</b>	<b>53</b>
Al Thornton, FSU	53
Josh McRoberts, Duke	52

### All-ACC Second Team

Anthony Morrow, GT	7
Coleman Collins, VT	6
Reyshawn Terry, UNC	4
<b>J.R. Reynolds, UVa</b>	<b>4</b>
Zabian Dowdell, VT	2

### ACC Player of the Year

Tyler Hansbrough, UNC	48
Al Thornton, FSU	4
Josh McRoberts, Duke	4
<b>Sean Singletary, UVa</b>	<b>3</b>
Jared Dudley, BC	3

### ACC Rookie of the Year

Thaddeus Young, GT	24
Ty Lawson, UNC	15
Javaris Crittenton, GT	4
Wayne Ellington, UNC	2
six others with 1 vote	

## 2006-07 ACC Players of the Week

Mamadi Diane - Nov. 13  
 Sean Singletary - Jan. 2  
 Sean Singletary - Jan. 8  
 J.R. Reynolds - Jan. 22



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were 7-3 after 10 conference games. UVa finished the season with a 12-4 conference record).

Virginia's current four-game conference winning streak is its longest since the 2001-02 season when it recorded ACC wins over North Carolina (71-67), No. 14 Wake Forest (86-74), Florida State (91-74) and Georgia Tech (69-65). If the Cavaliers are successful against Duke it would be their first five-game ACC winning streak since the 1994-95 season. Virginia won six straight ACC contests vs. Florida State (76-63 in OT), NC State (65-55), Clemson (62-44), Duke (64-58), No. 2 North Carolina (73-71) and No. 24 Georgia Tech (83-60). UVa also had a win over UNLV (75-65) in that streak.

## HEAD COACH DAVE LEITAO

Dave Leitao is in his second season as the Cavaliers' head coach and has a record of 28-21. In his first season at UVa in 2005-06, Virginia posted a 15-15 record and compiled a 7-9 mark in Atlantic Coast Conference play. Virginia tied for seventh in the ACC standings after being picked 12th in the ACC Preseason Media Poll.

UVa advanced to the 2006 National Invitation Tournament, but fell in the opening round to Stanford 65-49 (Mar. 14). Virginia's appearance in the NIT marked the fourth consecutive postseason appearance by a Leitao-coached team. Leitao led DePaul to three straight postseason bids, including the NCAA Tournament in 2004.

In seven seasons as a head coach, Leitao has a career record of 108-90. Leitao registered his 100th career win vs. NC State (Dec. 3). He earned his first career coaching win against Howard (78-62) on Dec. 3, 1994 while the head coach at Northeastern.

Leitao is 0-3 all-time against Duke as a head coach. Two of those losses came while Leitao was the head coach at Northeastern.

Leitao has coached in 31 games against AP ranked teams and is 9-22. Against top 10 AP teams, Leitao is 1-10. He earned his first victory over an AP top 10 team when UVa posted a 93-90 win over Arizona (Nov. 12). Leitao was 0-4 against ranked teams in two seasons at Northeastern, 5-11 vs. ranked opponents in three years at DePaul, and is 4-7 against ranked foes at UVa. Virginia's 72-58 win over 11th-ranked Boston College (Feb. 21, 2006) marked the highest ranked opponent a Leitao coached team had defeated until the win over Arizona.

Leitao improved to 5-2 in season openers as a head coach with the win over Arizona. In addition to winning both openers at Virginia, Leitao won all three season openers while at DePaul. He lost both openers at Northeastern.

### Dave Leitao Firsts at Virginia

Game – Liberty - Nov. 18, 2005 (79-44)  
 Win – Liberty - Nov. 18, 2005 (79-44)  
 ACC Win – Clemson - Jan. 7, 2006 (64-58)  
 ACC Road Win – Virginia Tech - Jan. 15, 2006 (54-49)  
 Ranked Win – No. 24 North Carolina - Jan. 19, 2006 (72-68)  
 Top 10 Win – No. 10 Arizona - Nov. 12, 2006 (93-90)  
 Top 15 Win – No. 11 Boston College - Feb. 21, 2006 (72-58)  
 Ranked ACC Road Win – No. 19 Clemson - Jan. 28, 2007 (64-63)  
 ACC Tournament Win – Virginia Tech - Mar. 9, 2006 (60-56)  
 Postseason Appearance – 2006 NIT vs. Stanford - Mar. 14, 2006

## SINGLETERY AND REYNOLDS NAMED TEAM CAPTAINS AGAIN

Junior guard Sean Singletary and senior guard J.R. Reynolds are Virginia's co-captains for the second consecutive season. Singletary and Reynolds also served as UVa's captains last season.

## John Paul Jones Arena Facts

### BASIC FACTS

**Name:** John Paul Jones Arena  
**Groundbreaking:** May 30, 2003  
**Opening date:** August 1, 2006  
**Project Cost:** \$129.8 million

### DESIGN FACTS

**Site:** 26.2 acres at the corner of Emmet Street and Massie Road  
**Arena Floor:** 500' above sea level  
**Building dimensions:** 471'-0" x 341'-0"  
**Area:** 365,916 square feet  
**Height:** 111'-5" above grade  
**Clear span:** 297'-0"  
**Scoreboard:** center-hung, four-screen, high-definition Diamond Vision  
**LED ribbon board:** 670 linear feet total, 601,000 pixels

### CONSTRUCTION FACTS

**Topping date:** June 22, 2005  
**Columns:** 26 pre-cast concrete (up to 23'-10 5/8" high and 21,183 lbs.)  
**Bricks:** 600,000 wood-molded, Old Virginia bricks  
**Cast-in-place concrete:** 28,000 cubic yards  
**Reinforcing steel:** 2,100 tons  
**Structural steel:** 8,900 members  
**Roof trusses:** 41 (the largest weighs 190 tons)  
**Bolts/truss:** 1,600

### SEATING FACTS

**Tread depth:** 34" in lower bowl, 33" in upper bowl  
**Basketball capacity:** 15,219  
**Center-stage event capacity:** 15,766  
**End-stage event capacity:** 14,720

### FUN FACTS

**Box office windows:** 15  
**Concession points:** 54  
**ATM points:** 2 (installed, capability for 3)  
**Flat-screen televisions:** 150  
**Loudspeakers:** 69  
**Amplification:** 125,00 watts  
**Bathrooms:** 45  
**Toilets:** 369  
**First-aid stations:** 2  
**Levels:** 3 (event level, lower concourse, and upper concourse)  
**Passenger elevators:** 3  
**Press stations:** 73  
**TV camera locations:** 10  
**Suites:** 19 total (including 1 double-suite)

## TALE OF THE TAPE

Here's a statistical comparison of Virginia and Duke in the 2006-07 season.

Virginia .....	Category .....	Duke
80.0 .....	Points.....	69.7
72.6 .....	Points Allowed .....	56.0
+7.4 .....	Scoring Margin .....	+13.7
45.0 .....	Field Goal % .....	47.5
40.7 .....	Field Goal % Defense.....	38.9
37.0 .....	3 Point Field Goal %.....	38.1
33.9 .....	3 Point Field Goal % Defense.....	27.7
73.3 .....	Free Throw % .....	69.9
40.0 .....	Rebounds.....	36.3
+6.3 .....	Rebound Margin .....	+7.1
14.0 .....	Assists .....	14.1
15.0 .....	Turnovers.....	15.8
5.1 .....	Steals.....	8.0
2.5 .....	Blocked Shots .....	5.0

## BACK-TO-BACK ROAD WINS

UVa posted back-to-back road wins (in consecutive games) over NC State (Jan. 24) and Clemson (Jan. 28). It marked the first time Virginia has won consecutive games on the road since the 1999-00 season. UVa defeated Hampton (Dec. 10) 102-56 and Richmond (Dec. 21) 69-65 in the 1999-00 season.

The last time UVa won consecutive ACC games on the road is back in the 1994-05 season. Virginia opened the ACC season with wins at Florida State (Jan. 4, 81-75) and NC State (Jan. 7, 76-65).

Virginia won two straight road games (not consecutive games) in the 2003-04 season when the Cavaliers won at VMI (Dec. 5, 78-56) and at Loyola Marmount (Dec. 19, 76-68).

UVa won two straight ACC road games (not consecutive) in the 2001-02 season when the Cavaliers won at North Carolina (Jan. 12, 71-67) and at Georgia Tech (Jan. 22, 69-65).

## NO REST ON SUNDAYS

The Cavaliers played their seventh and final regular season Sunday game against then 19th-ranked Clemson (Jan. 28). Virginia won six of its seven Sunday contests with its only setback coming against Stanford (Jan. 7).

UVa played three Sunday games in November – Arizona (Nov. 12), Morgan State (Nov. 19), and Maryland Eastern Shore (Nov. 26). The Cavaliers' lone Sunday contest in December was against NC State (Dec. 3), which marked the fourth consecutive week UVa had a Sunday game.

UVa had three Sunday games in January – Stanford (Jan. 7), Wake Forest (Jan. 21), and Clemson (Jan. 28).

## MIAMI GAME AT 8 P.M.

UVa's home game against Miami on Feb. 3 will begin at 8 p.m. All preseason information (tickets, schedule cards, media guide) has the game listed as a 7 p.m. start, but ESPN-U will televise the game necessitating the tip time change to 8 p.m.

## SUCCESSFUL JANUARY

UVa posted a 5-3 record in January. The Cavaliers' five wins in January are the most since the 2001-02 season when Virginia was 5-4. The last time UVa had more than five wins in January was in 1999-00 when the Cavaliers were 7-2.

## HOME SWEET HOME

The Cavaliers have found tremendous success at home this season, but have struggled away from the John Paul Jones Arena.

Virginia is 10-1 at home this season and 3-5 away from JPJA, including a 2-3 mark on its opponents' home court.

## UVA REGISTERS COMEBACK WIN OVER CLEMSON

Virginia scored the final 15 points of the game capped off by a Jason Cain tip-in with 15.5 seconds remaining for a 64-63 victory over 19th-ranked Clemson (Jan. 28) at Littlejohn Coliseum.

The Cavaliers trailed by as many as 16 points (61-45) with 8:47 to play and held Clemson scoreless over the final five minutes in the come-from-behind victory.

Solomon Tat began UVa's comeback at the 8:01 mark by following up a missed shot. After a layup by Sean Singletary made the score 61-49, the Tigers scored what proved to be their final points of the game on two free throws by Trevor Booker with 5:05 to play. Adrian Joseph and J.R. Reynolds followed with back-to-back three-pointers to pull UVa within eight, 63-55, with 2:56 to play. A jumper by Reynolds and another three-pointer by Joseph at the 1:33 mark made the score 63-60. With 51.7 seconds left, Joseph drained a jumper to make it a one-point game. A Clemson turnover gave the ball back to the Cavaliers. UVa missed a three-pointer, but Singletary out-jumped everyone at the free throw line to come up with the rebound. While on the ground he found Joseph who drove to the basket and missed, but Cain followed up with the tip-in with 15.5 seconds left for his only field goal of the game. The Tigers missed a driving layup attempt on the ensuing possession.

Neither team led by more than four points in the first half with the Tigers holding a 34-30 lead at the intermission.

The Cavaliers shot 42.9 percent (24-56) from the field in the game, including 50 percent (14-28) in the decisive second half. Clemson shot 45.3 percent (24-53) from the floor in the game. UVa held a 39-29 edge in rebounds.

Reynolds led Virginia with 18 points. He made 8-12 attempts from the field. Singletary and Joseph both tallied 11 points, with Joseph scoring eight of his 11 in the second half. Singletary added seven rebounds to lead UVa. Mamadi Diane rounded out UVa's double digit scorers with 10 points.

Vernon Hamilton led Clemson with 16 points, while James Mays registered a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.



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## NOTABLE SECOND HALF COMEBACKS

Virginia's 16-point comeback against Clemson (Jan. 28) is one of several impressive second half comebacks the Cavaliers have had through the years. Below are four other impressive comebacks.

At Duke on Jan. 14, 1995 – Virginia trailed by 23 points (46-23) with 17:47 left in regulation and still trailed by 14 (64-50) with 6:41 left in regulation. UVa rallied to win 91-88 in double overtime. Duke was ranked 16th. Virginia actually came back to take two leads in regulation (69-68 with 1:38 remaining and 71-70 with 55 seconds left) before the game went to overtime.

At William & Mary on Jan. 29, 1970 – Virginia trailed by 22 points (63-41) with 12:21 left in regulation. UVa rallied to win 87-81 in overtime.

At home against Virginia Tech on Dec. 1, 2001 – Virginia trailed by 16 points (46-30) with 17:38 remaining in the game. UVa came back to win 69-61. Virginia was ranked 9th in The Associated Press poll.

At North Carolina, Feb. 3, 1981 – Virginia trailed by 16 points (51-35) with 11:53 left in the second half. UVa rallied to win 80-79 in overtime. North Carolina was ranked 11th and Virginia was ranked No. 1 in The AP poll.

## THE CENTURY MARK

The Cavaliers have reached the century mark three times this season. Virginia reached triple digits for the third time this season on Jan. 16 when it scored 103 points against Maryland. It marked the first time UVa has reached the century mark in an ACC game since Jan. 27, 2001 when it scored 104 points in a win at Clemson (104-76).

UVa scored 108 points against Gonzaga (Jan. 3) and it marked the most points Virginia has scored in a game since putting 112 points on the scoreboard against Grambling on Dec. 30, 2001.

The Cavaliers scored 104 points in their win over Maryland Eastern Shore (Nov. 26), the first time since the Grambling game UVa surpassed the century mark. Virginia had gone 145 games without scoring 100 points.

The last time UVa scored 100 or more points three times in a season was in 2001-02. In the 2000-01 season, the Cavaliers scored 100 or more points four times.

## 40 POINTS

J.R. Reynolds scored a career high and an ACC season-best 40 points against Wake Forest (Jan. 21). It marked the first time a UVa player has scored 40 or more points in a game since Devin Smith on Dec. 6, 2004 vs. Iowa State. Reynolds' 40 points are the most scored by a UVa player at home since Donald Hand had 41 vs. NC State on Feb. 14, 1999.

## 30 BACK-TO-BACK

With 37 points against Gonzaga (Jan. 3), Sean Singletary scored 30-plus points in back-to-back games (33 vs. American – Dec. 30). It is the first time a UVa player has scored 30 points in back-to-back games since 1998 when Norman Nolan

had 31 points vs. Wake Forest (Jan. 4, 1998) and 30 points vs. Liberty (Jan. 7, 1998).

## THREE CAVALIERS EARN ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Three different Cavaliers have been selected as Atlantic Coast Conference players of the week this season.

Mamadi Diane earned the honor Nov. 13. Sean Singletary was the recipient on back-to-back weeks on Jan. 2 and Jan. 8. J.R. Reynolds garnered the honor on Jan. 22.

It is the first time three different Cavaliers have earned the honor in the same season since 1982-83 when Jimmy Miller, Ralph Sampson (three times) and Othell Wilson (twice) received the award.

## REYNOLDS NAMED ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

J.R. Reynolds was named the ACC Player of the Week Jan. 22 for his play in the Cavaliers' victories over Maryland (Jan. 16) and Wake Forest (Jan. 21) at the John Paul Jones Arena.

Reynolds scored 57 points, had nine rebounds and eight assists in the Cavaliers' two conference victories. He was 15-31 (48.4 percent) from the field, including 6-13 (46.2 percent) from three-point range, and 21-22 (95.5 percent) from the free throw line.

In UVa's 103-91 victory over Maryland, Reynolds scored 17 points, had seven rebounds and four assists in 34 minutes.

In Virginia's 88-76 win over Wake Forest, Reynolds scored a career-high 40 points, had four assists and two rebounds in 33 minutes. His 40 points are the most scored in a game by a player in the ACC this season. He scored 20 points in each half against the Demon Deacons. Reynolds was 12-18 from the field, including 6-8 from three-point range, and he made all 10 of his free throw attempts in the game.

## SINGLETARY NAMED ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sean Singletary earned back-to-back ACC Player of the Week honors on Jan. 2 and Jan. 8. On Jan. 2, Singletary shared the award with Duke's Josh McRoberts. He captured the award outright on Jan. 8.

The back-to-back player of the week awards for Singletary marked the first time since Bryant Stith in 1990 that a UVa player won that award in consecutive weeks.

Singletary scored 61 points and had nine rebounds in games against Gonzaga and Stanford. In Virginia's 108-87 win over Gonzaga (Jan. 3), Singletary scored a career-high 37 points and had five rebounds. He was 9-16 from the field, including 7-12 from three-point range, and 12-14 from the free throw line. His seven three-pointers are a career high. Singletary also had three steals and two assists in 25 minutes of playing time.

In the Cavaliers' 76-75 loss to Stanford (Jan. 7), Singletary scored a game-high 24 points and had four rebounds. He was 6-14 from the field, including 3-6 from three-point range, and 9-10 from the free throw line. He also had two assists and one steal in a season-high 38 minutes of action.

It marked the third time Singletary was named the ACC Player of the Week during his career as he garnered the honor once in the 2005-06 season in addition to the back-to-back awards this season. He was named the ACC Rookie of the Week five times during the 2004-05 season.

## DIANE NAMED PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Mamadi Diane was named ACC Player of the Week Nov. 13 after scoring a then career-high 25 points against Arizona (Nov. 12).

Diane made 8-9 attempts from the field, including 5-6 three-pointers, and all four free throw attempts. He also had four rebounds, two assists and two steals in 28 minutes of playing time.

## UVA FALLS TO 4-3 IN ACC/BIG TEN CHALLENGE

With its 61-59 loss to Purdue on Nov. 29, Virginia fell to 4-3 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. The ACC won the series for the eighth consecutive year as ACC schools won eight of 11 contests. The ACC's cumulative record in the Challenge is 48-27.

## LEADING THE ACC

Virginia has made 158 three-point field goals this season for an ACC-best average of 8.32 three-point field goals made per game.

In ACC contests, UVa is averaging an impressive 8.86 made three-pointers per game to lead the league.

The Cavaliers have four players who have made more than 20 three-pointers this season – Sean Singletary (49), J.R. Reynolds (36), Mamadi Diane (29), and Adrian Joseph (26).

Singletary is second in the ACC with 2.58 made threes per game, while Reynolds is seventh with 1.89 per game.

## FIELD GOAL DEFENSE

In ACC play, Virginia is second in field goal percentage defense with a mark of 39.6 percent (171-432). North Carolina leads the ACC in field goal percentage defense at 39.3 percent (149-379).

Duke leads the ACC in field goal percentage in conference games at 49.1 percent (183-373).

## THE FREE THROW LINE

UVa's 39 made free throws against Maryland are one shy of the school record for made free throws in a game. The record of 40 was set on Feb. 22, 1955 vs. Duke. UVa was 40-54 from the line in that game. The 54 free throws attempted in the game vs. Duke are the most in a game by Virginia. The 49 free throw attempts vs. Maryland tie for the fifth most ever in a game.

## MORE THREE-POINTERS

In the first 10 games of the season, the Cavaliers made more three-pointers than their opponent only three times. Virginia has made more threes than eight of its last nine opponents. UVa holds an 89-59 edge in three-pointers over its opponents in the last nine contests.

Virginia has made 158 three-pointers on the season and its opponents have combined for 147.

## 18 THREE-POINTERS

The Cavaliers set the school record for made three-pointers in a game with 18 against Gonzaga (Jan. 3). UVa was 18-34 for 52.9 percent against the Bulldogs. The old mark was 15 vs. North Carolina (Feb. 14, 1990) and Hampton (Nov. 25, 1998). UVa

made 12 three-point field goals in the first half, including its first four attempts and eight of its first nine attempts.

Virginia's 34 three-point attempts are the second most in a game. The school record for three-point attempts is 38 vs. Clemson on Jan. 15, 2000.

## HEATING UP

After shooting only 22.2 percent (8-36) from the field in three games in the San Juan Shootout, Sean Singletary has bounced back by shooting 56-115 (48.7 percent) in his last nine outings. He had a pair of 9-16 (56.3 percent) shooting performances against American (Dec. 28) and Gonzaga (Jan. 3).

Singletary made just 1-11 three-point tries in Puerto Rico, but has bounced back by making 34-70 (48.6 percent) trifectas in the last nine games. Singletary had made only 15 threes in the first 10 games of the season.

## THREE-POINT FIELD GOALS

J.R. Reynolds has made 195 three-point field goals in his career and is in third place on UVa's all-time three-point field goals list. Harold Deane (1994-97) holds the second spot with 237 threes and Curtis Staples (1995-98) is UVa's all-time leader with 413.

Reynolds is currently second among active ACC players with 195 career three-pointers. Virginia Tech's Zabian Dowdell leads all ACC players with 200 career threes, while NC State's Engin Atsur is third with 193 (through Jan. 30).

## DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Mamadi Diane and Ryan Pettinella registered their first career double-doubles against Hampton (Dec. 16).

Diane tallied 10 points and a career-best 11 rebounds. Diane's former career high in rebounds was 10 vs. Wake Forest (Feb. 24) last season.

Pettinella posted career bests of 14 points and 10 rebounds. His former career high of 10 points came against Villanova and Brown during the 2004-05 season when he played at UPenn. His previous career high in rebounds was also at UPenn when he had nine against Quinnipiac during the 2004-05 season.

## CAIN'S CAREER HIGH

Jason Cain set a new career high for points in a game when he tallied 22 points in UVa's win over Maryland Eastern Shore (Nov. 26). Cain's previous career best was 16 points vs. Fordham and UMBC last season. Cain tied his career high with 16 first-half points against UMES.

## REBOUNDING CAREER HIGHS

Adrian Joseph and J.R. Reynolds established new career highs for rebounds against Purdue (Nov. 29).

Joseph pulled down a career-best 10 rebounds, bettering his previous career high of eight boards vs. NC State (Feb. 2, 2006) and Wake Forest (Feb. 4, 2006).

Reynolds snagged nine rebounds against Purdue to surpass his career high of seven which he had four times, most recently against Morgan State (Nov. 19) earlier this season.



# CAVALIER GAME NOTES

## MOVING UP THE SCORING LIST

J.R. Reynolds is steadily climbing UVa's all-time scoring list. Reynolds has tallied 1,441 career points and is in 16th place. He needs 29 more points to move past Othell Wilson (1981-84) into 15th place. Donald Hand (1998-01) is 14th with 1,486 career points.

Reynolds began the season in 37th place with 1,095 points.

With his 1,441 points, Reynolds leads all active players in the conference in scoring who have played their entire career in the ACC. Overall, he is third among active ACC players in scoring.

## MIKALAUSKAS A PRESENCE

Laurynas Mikalauskas has become more of a presence for the Cavaliers in the low post in the last few weeks. Mikalauskas, who was plagued by two preseason ankle injuries, has scored 53 points (5.3 per game) in the last 10 games while shooting 57.1 percent (20-35) from the field.

Mikalauskas has started the last eight games and had a season-high 10 points against UNC (Jan. 10). He was 4-5 from the field and 2-3 from the free throw line while playing a season-high 29 minutes vs. the Tar Heels. Mikalauskas matched his season high with 29 minutes against Boston College (Jan. 13) while scoring seven points.

On the season, Mikalauskas has made 26-49 (53.1 percent) field goal attempts and 13-22 (59.1 percent) in ACC play.

## 20 OR MORE POINTS

UVa's backcourt tandem of Sean Singletary and J.R. Reynolds have scored 20 or more points in the same game twice this season and four times overall. Against NC State (Jan. 24), Reynolds poured in 29 points, while Singletary had 27. Against American (Dec. 28), Singletary totaled 33 points and Reynolds had 26.

The duo also did it twice last season – Western Kentucky (Jan. 2) – Reynolds 26, Singletary 20, and North Carolina (Mar. 10) – Reynolds 20, Singletary 29.

Singletary has scored 20 or more points in a game nine times this season and 22 times during his career. He also has three 30-plus point games to his credit.

Reynolds has scored 20 or more points in a game seven times this season and 20 times in his career. Reynolds also has three 30-plus point games under his belt, including a 40-point performance against Wake Forest (Jan. 21).

The duo have combined for 16 20-point games this season, the most of any tandem in the ACC.

Over the last nine games (since returning from Puerto Rico), Singletary and Reynolds have combined to score 397 points for an average of 44.1 points per game. Singletary has tallied 202 points for an average of 22.4 per game, while Reynolds has totaled 195 points for 21.7 points a game. The duo have combined for nine 20-plus point games, including two 30-plus contests by Singletary and a 40-point outburst by Reynolds.

## SINGLETARY FROM THE LINE

Sean Singletary is off to a great start from the free throw line. He is 126-138 from the line for 91.3 percent accuracy (first in the ACC and seventh in Division I through games played Jan. 28). Singletary made only two of four attempts from the line against Clemson (Jan. 28).

Singletary had his streak of 39 consecutive free throws made snapped after making his first 10 attempts against Hampton (Dec. 16). Singletary's 39 consecutive free throws made are believed to be the third longest streak in school history. Roger Mason, Jr. made 45 straight free throws in the 2000-01 season and Jeff Lamp holds the school mark with 48 consecutive free throws made in the 1979-80 season.

Six times this season, Singletary has attempted and made at least 10 free throws.

Here's a look at Singletary's free throw shooting this season.

Arizona (Nov. 12)	13-14	92.9% (made last one)
Morgan State (Nov. 19)	2-2	100%
UNC Asheville (Nov. 22)	12-12	100%
Md. Eastern Shore (Nov. 26)	4-4	100%
Purdue (Nov. 29)	8-8	100%
NC State (Dec. 3)	2-2	100%
Hampton (Dec. 16)	14-16*	87.5% (made first 10)
Appalachian State (Dec. 19)	6-7	85.7%
Utah (Dec. 20)	6-6	100%
Puerto Rico-Mayaguez (Dec. 21)	3-4	75.0%
American (Dec. 28)	10-10	100%
Gonzaga (Jan. 3)	12-14	85.7% (made first 9)
Stanford (Jan. 7)	9-10	90.0% (made first 8)
North Carolina (Jan. 10)	1-1	100%
Boston College (Jan. 13)	0-0	0%
Maryland (Jan. 16)	12-14	85.7% (made last 3)
Wake Forest (Jan. 21)	6-6	100%
NC State (Jan. 24)	4-4	100%
Clemson (Jan. 28)	2-4	50.0% (made last two)

\*career highs for made and attempted free throws in a game.

## PERFECT FROM THE LINE

In 11 home games this season, Sean Singletary has not missed a free throw in the first half – he is 36-36. In the second half of home games, Singletary is 60-68 (88.2 percent). Fatigue? Maybe, but maybe not. In eight games away from the John Paul Jones Arena, Singletary is 15-18 (83.3 percent) from the free throw line in the first half and 15-16 (93.8 percent) from the stripe in the second half.

## PETTINELLA RECOVERING

Junior forward/center Ryan Pettinella has been sidelined with a knee injury, but has returned to practice. Pettinella hurt his left knee during the first half of UVa's game against Puerto Rico-Mayaguez on Dec. 21.

Pettinella has missed the previous nine games. In the 10 games he played in, Pettinella had seven starts and was averaging 5.1 points and 3.7 rebounds in 14.9 minutes per game. He has made 22-32 (68.8 percent) of his field goal attempts this season.



## GOOD SHOOTING

Mamadi Diane has made drastic improvements in his field goal shooting percentage this season.

Diane is connecting on 45.7 percent (75-164) of his attempts from the floor in the 2006-07 season. Last season, Diane shot only 33.7 percent (65-193) from the field. Diane established a new career high for three-pointers made in a season in just 12 games. He is 29-78 from three-point range for 37.2 percent. In 2005-06, he made only 16-66 attempts from beyond the arc for 24.2 percent.

Diane is averaging 11.1 points per game this year after averaging only 6.0 points a game as a freshman last season.

Diane scored a then career-high 25 points against Arizona (Nov. 12) and was honored as the ACC Player of the Week. He set a new career high with 26 points against Maryland (Jan. 16). Diane notched his first career double-double with 10 points and a career-high 11 rebounds against Hampton (Dec. 16). He had 22 points and made all four three-point attempts against Gonzaga (Jan. 3).

Diane's 10 points vs. Clemson (Jan. 28) marked just the fourth time in his career he has scored in double figures on an opponent's home floor. Earlier this season, Diane had 14 points at North Carolina (Jan. 10) and 17 points at Purdue (Nov. 29). Last season, he scored 14 points at Georgia Tech (Dec. 4, 2005).

Diane's back-to-back double digit performance against Arizona and Morgan State (Nov. 19) marked just the third time he scored in double figures in back-to-back games in his career. He also had back-to-back 17-point performances against Maryland Eastern Shore and Purdue as well as Maryland (26) and Wake Forest (10) this season. Diane has never scored in double figures in three consecutive games.

Diane had consecutive double figure scoring games twice last season (Northwestern - 18, Georgia Tech - 14 and Loyola (Md.) - 11, UMBC - 16).

## FREE THROW SHOOTING

UVa is shooting an impressive 73.3 percent (374-510) from the free throw line this season and is second in the ACC in free throw percentage. The Cavaliers have attempted 94 more free throws (510-416) than their opponents and have made 84 more (374-290).

UVa is averaging ACC bests of 26.8 attempts and 19.7 made free throws per game.

## 1000

Sean Singletary became the 41st Cavalier to reach the 1,000-point milestone in UVa's 91-70 win over American (Dec. 28). He entered the game needing 24 points to reach the 1,000-point plateau and his 1000th point came on a free throw with 6:11 remaining in the game.

Singletary has currently scored 1,178 points in his career and is tied with Mike Katos (1966-68) for 31st place. He needs 41 points to move past Jim Miller (1982-85) into 30th place.

Through games played Jan. 30, Singletary is sixth among active ACC players with 1,178 points and is the league's top junior scorer.

## TOP 10

Sean Singletary has handed out 329 assists during his career and has moved into ninth place on UVa's all-time assists list (fifth among active ACC players). He needs 41 assists to move past Barry Parkhill (1971-73) into eighth place. Cory Alexander (1992-95) is seventh with 401 career assists.

## NAISMITH TROPHY

Sean Singletary is one of 50 men's college basketball players named as preseason candidates for the Naismith Trophy presented by Cingular Wireless. The Atlanta Tipoff Club announced the list of candidates. The Naismith Trophy is presented to the men's and women's players of the year.

The Top 50 list was compiled by the Atlanta Tipoff Club's Board of Selectors, comprised of leading basketball journalists, coaches and administrators from around the country. The board based its preseason criteria on player performances from last season and expectations for the 2006-07 season.

Singletary is also on the "Watch List" for the Bob Cousy Award and is one of the Top 30 Midseason candidates for the 2006-07 Wooden Award and All-America Team.

## LOWE'S SENIOR CLASS AWARD

J.R. Reynolds is one of the top 30 men's candidates for the 2007 Lowe's Senior Class Award. The award is presented annually to an NCAA Division I male and female senior basketball player who excel both on and off the court.

An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School, the award was launched during the 2001-02 season to honor the attributes of college basketball seniors who remain committed to their university and pursue the many rewards that a senior season can bring.

From the list of 30 nominees for each gender, a national media committee will select 10 finalists in February for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award. The names of the 10 finalists will be placed on the official ballot for a nationwide vote during the NCAA Tournament in March. Fan balloting will be coupled with votes from coaches and media to determine the male and female recipients.

## TUCKER SETS CAREER HIGH

Jamil Tucker reached double figures in scoring for the first time in his career with a 12-point performance against Gonzaga (Jan. 3), including a career-best three three-point field goals. He equaled his career high with 12 points against Maryland (Jan. 16), including a trio of three-pointers.

After pulling down five rebounds in three different games, Tucker set a new career high with nine rebounds against Boston College (Jan. 13).

Tucker is averaging 5.0 points per game (50 points) over the last 10 contests, despite not scoring in the last three games. He has made 16-32 (50.0 percent) of his field goal attempts, including 10-18 (55.6 percent) three-point tries.



## REBOUNTING PROWESS

Virginia is averaging 40.0 rebounds per game this season, which is second among all ACC teams. The Cavaliers are third in the ACC in rebound margin with a mark of +6.3 per game (40.0 to 33.7).

UVa has only been outrebounded four times this season – by Utah 37-21, Gonzaga 38-36, North Carolina 47-34 and Wake Forest (38-33). After tying Arizona in rebounds (36) in its season opener, Virginia has outrebounded nine of its last 18 opponents by 10 or more rebounds. Overall, UVa has outrebounded 13 of 19 opponents this season. The Cavaliers also tied Boston College with 36 rebounds apiece.

## UVA SEVENTH IN DIRECTOR'S CUP STANDINGS

The Virginia athletics program is seventh following the release of the 2007 U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup final fall sports standings. Thanks to strong showings by five programs in NCAA Championship competition last fall, the Cavaliers compiled 303 points and are the second highest ranked ACC school in the poll.

The ranking equals the second best showing in the Directors' Cup by the Cavaliers at the conclusion of the fall sports championships. Virginia was ranked sixth in 1997-98 when both the field hockey and men's soccer teams reached the Final Fours of their respective sport. In 1995-96 UVa also stood in seventh place in the Directors' Cup's final fall results.

California is first in the final fall Directors' Cup standings.

Virginia's fall athletics season was highlighted by the men's soccer team's run to the College Cup where it lost in the semi-finals to UCLA. Using the Directors' Cup scoring system, the Cavaliers were credited with a third-place finish. The UVa field hockey team was fifth in this year's NCAA Tournament, women's soccer placed ninth and the Cavalier men's and women's cross country teams both turned in 14th-place performances.

## FOUR PLAYERS SIGN WITH UVA

Head coach Dave Leitao has announced the signing of four players with the Cavaliers. The four players are 6-4 guard Mustapha Farrakhan of Harvey, Ill., 6-4 guard Jeff Jones of Wilmington, Del., 6-8 forward Mike Scott of Chesapeake, Va., and 6-1 guard Sam Zeglinski of Philadelphia, Pa.

Farrakhan averaged 17.1 points, 4.3 rebounds and 3.6 assists a game as a junior last season at Thornton Township High School. He earned all-conference and all-area honors, and was an honorable mention all-state selection.

"Mustapha will bring great skill to our backcourt," Leitao said. "He will be a factor because he's smart, tough and a fearless competitor. We look forward to him contributing from both guard spots. Along with his outstanding ability, he really loves Virginia and the ACC."

Jones averaged 21.9 points, five rebounds and three assists a game for Monsignor Bonner High School (Drexel Hill, Pa.) as a junior last season. He earned first-team AAA All-State honors and was the Pennsylvania AAA State Player of the Year for the 2005-06 season. He was a first-team all-conference selection each of the last two seasons and led the conference in scoring

each of those seasons.

"To add a guy that has the skill level Jeff does is something that we really needed," Leitao said. "Just watching our team now, we're lacking enough skill guys in the backcourt. Mustapha, Jeff and Sammy will bring a significant amount of skill to our team."

Scott averaged 21 points, 12 rebounds and four blocked shots a game as a senior at Deep Creek High School during the 2005-06 season. He was a first-team all-state selection, and was the player of the year in the Southeastern District and the Eastern Region that season. He was also the most valuable player of the Southeastern District Tournament. Deep Creek finished the 2005-06 season with a record of 20-6 and won the Southeastern District Tournament.

Scott is currently attending Hargrave Military Academy.

"One of the things we're trying to do is to be multi-dimensional and diverse as a team and with our players," Leitao said. "Mike is somebody who fits that mold. He's athletic and can play with his back to the basket. He has a really good touch and the ability to score in the post, which is something that we need. He can face up and has a developing skill package to make perimeter shots."

"Mike's just a really good young man. I think he'll accept learning and all the things that we're doing here."

Zeglinski averaged 19 points, five assists and three steals a game as a junior at the William Penn Charter School last season. He earned first-team All-Inter-Academic League, second-team all-state and second-team all-city honors for the 2005-06 season.

Zeglinski has started for the William Penn Charter School each of the last three seasons. Current Virginia player Sean Singletary is a graduate of the William Penn Charter School and as a high school freshman Zeglinski played on the same team with Singletary.

"Sammy is the consummate floor general," Leitao said. "He's a guy that combines a high level of basketball skill with probably as unique a mind for the game as you'll ever see."

## CURTIS STAPLES' JERSEY RETIRED

The jersey of former Virginia standout Curtis Staples was retired during halftime ceremonies of UVa's game against Arizona (Nov. 12).

Staples, a guard from Roanoke, Va., finished his Virginia career in 1998 as the NCAA's career leader in three-point field goals made with 413. His mark held until Duke's J.J. Redick established a new NCAA record for three-point field goals made (457) last season. Staples currently ranks third on the NCAA's career three-point field goals made list.

Jersey retirement is a new level of recognition at Virginia to honor players who have significantly impacted the program and Staples is the first player to be honored in this way. Individuals recognized in this way will have their jerseys retired, but their number will remain active.

Six Virginia players have had their uniform numbers retired and those numbers will not be worn again. Those numbers honor the most decorated players in the program's history, including Jeff Lamp (3), Barry Parkhill (40), Ralph Sampson (50), Bryant Stith (20), Wally Walker (41) and Buzzy Wilkinson (14).

In addition to being Virginia's career leader in three-point field goals made, Staples holds UVa records for three-point field goals made in a season (130) and in a game (9). He also holds

Virginia records for most three-point field goals made by a senior (130), junior (98), sophomore (82) and freshman (103). He led the ACC in three-point field goals made per game in each of his four seasons at Virginia and ranks ninth on UVa's career scoring list with 1,757 points.

## THE JOHN PAUL JONES ARENA

The 2006-07 season ushers in a new era for the Cavaliers as they play in their new basketball arena for the first time. The John Paul Jones Arena, which seats 15,219 fans, is located across the street from historic University Hall. The arena features an academic center and dining facility for all student-athletes, and practice courts, coaches office complexes, locker rooms, a weight room, training room, and equipment room for the men's and women's basketball programs.

## PRESEASON HONORS

Guards Sean Singletary and J.R. Reynolds were selected to preseason All-Atlantic Coast Conference teams by media attending the ACC's Operation Basketball event in Greensboro, N.C., in October. Singletary was a first-team selection and Reynolds was named to the second team. In addition, Singletary has been named a third-team preseason All-America selection by *Street & Smith's College Basketball 2006-07 Yearbook*, Rivals.com, and Collegehoops.net. Collegeinsider.com also named Singletary to its 16-player preseason All-America team.

## UVA PLAYERS IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Guard J.R. Reynolds and forward Laurynas Mikalauskas gained valuable experience playing against international competition during the spring and summer of 2006.

Reynolds averaged 12.7 points a game with a traveling team of college players during a trip to Nassau in the Bahamas in May. The team won all seven games on the trip, including two victories over the Bahamian National Team, and Reynolds led the team in scoring in two of the games. He led the team with 18 points in a victory over the Bahamian National Team in the final game of the trip. He scored 23 points to lead the team in another game, the most points he scored during the trip.

A benefit for Reynolds that should also turn out to be a benefit for the 2006-07 Virginia team was that he got to play a lot of point guard during the trip. That experience should improve his versatility in the Cavaliers' backcourt this season.

Mikalaukas played for the Lithuanian team that finished second to Russia in the Global Games at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, in June. Among his top performances were a 19-point, five-rebound effort in a loss to Russia, and an 18-point, 11-rebound performance in a victory over Argentina.



## 2006-07 Virginia Men's Basketball Additional Player Bios

### 15 Damin Altizer

G • 5-11, 162 • So.

Bath County High School • Millboro, Va.

**WORTH NOTING:** Joined the team as a walk-on prior to the 2006-07 season ... twice honored as the team's most valuable player at Bath County High School ... was an All-Pioneer District selection three times, earned all-region honors twice and was an all-state selection as a high school senior.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four times in basketball at Bath County High School and scored 1,188 career points ... twice was honored as the team's most valuable player ... was an All-Pioneer District selection three times, earned all-region honors twice and was an all-state selection as a high school senior ... averaged 21 points, seven assists, six rebounds and five steals a game his senior season at Bath County ... averaged 15 points, five assists and four steals a game as a junior.

**PERSONAL:** Damin Hayes Altizer ... born Feb. 13, 1987 ... son of Brenda and Tim Altizer ... has a younger brother, Cody ... enjoys the outdoors ... member of the BETA Club for three years in high school ... graduated third in his class at Bath County High School.

### 35 Bob McCormick

F • 6-5, 214 • So.

Francis W. Parker High School • Chicago, Ill.

**WORTH NOTING:** Joined the team as a walk-on prior to the 2006-07 season ... all-conference selection and team captain in basketball, baseball and soccer in high school.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** All-conference selection and team captain in basketball, baseball and soccer at Francis W. Parker High School ... earned third-team all-state honors in basketball and was the conference player of the year as a senior.

**PERSONAL:** Robert Andrew McCormick ... born July 15, 1986, in Chicago, Ill. ... son of Laura and Jim McCormick ... has four siblings ... has served as a Big Brother.

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**WORTH NOTING:** Joined the team as a walk-on prior to the 2006-07 season ... earned first-team all-conference honors and was the team's most valuable player as a senior at St. John's High School.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered once in basketball at Lamar High School and once at St. John's High School where he was a team captain ... earned first-team all-conference honors and was the team's most valuable player as a senior at St. John's ... also lettered one year in football at Lamar.

**PERSONAL:** David Bobbitt Noel ... born July 6, 1987, in Houston, Texas ... son of Karen and Bobbitt Noel ... has a younger brother, John ... member of the National Honor Society in high school ... National Commended Merit Scholar.