This Day in History...

By Rob McDonald

When you look at a calendar, what do you see? Many months of the year have a small smattering of things that happened on a certain day, however many years ago. The most famous and well observed are holidays like Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Easter. But what of the other days of the year? Surely something happened on these days other than people merely getting up and going about their business. When you look at a calendar today, February 9, it doesn't say that anything important happened today. Not true. Many things happened through the years on this very day. February 9, 1540, the first recorded horse race meeting in England happened at Roodeye Fields, Chester. In 1674, Charles II of England signed the treaty of Westminster, ending a war with the Dutch. The French and Austrian nations signed the peace of Luneville, in 1801, effectively ending the Holy Roman Empire. In 1863, in the middle of the American Civil War, Anthony Hope, the English novelist, was born, and would later write the Prisoner of Zenda. Eleven years later, in 1874, Jules Michelet died; he had penned numerous works of which the Histoire de France and Histoire de la

Révolution are considered to be his greatest works. Closely following Michelet's death came Fyodor Dostoyevsky's, in 1881. Some of his well known works include Crime and Punishment, The Idiot and The Brothers Karamazov. In 1941, with World War II already well underway, German General Erwin Rommel crossed over into North Africa with his famed Afrika Korps. In 1969, the first test flight of the Boeing 747 Jumbo Jet occurred. In 1994, the leader of the PLO (Palestinian Liberation Organization), Yassar Arafat, and Israel's Foreign Minister Shimon Peres came to an agreement on security issues that had been delaying peace between the Israeli and Palestinian peoples. Two years later, in 1996, the IRA exploded a bomb in London's Docklands business district. The bomb killed two, and injured one hundred people, in addition to signaling the end of the seventeen month IRA cease-fire. Whether it is something like a step towards peace in the Middle East or the first recorded horse race, history is full of happenings on any day of the year, you just have to look. In the future, remember that just because there is a blank spot on the calendar, it doesn't mean that nothing happened that day.



Adam Schultz and a potential employer in deep conversation at the Outdoor Job Fair Feb. 6th

The NFL on Steroids

By Donovan Campbell

The players of the newest football league, the XFL, were definitely out and running. Actually, they had to be...this is not a league for sissy players. How does one describe the XFL? In three words: NFL on steroids. Vince McMahon, the supermind behind the league, has tweaked the rules of football a bit. For starts, there are no kicking PAT's; you have to earn that extra point by getting the ball to the end zone again. Also, there are no fair catches. This means that off of any punt the ball is fair game to either team once it soars at least 25 yards, and once it's caught the receiver is fair game to any hit. The quarterbacks aren't even safe now. Without an "in-the-grasp" rule, a quarterback can be sacked at any time.

Unfortunately, for some, these aren't the biggest changes. Viewers of last weekend's preview found the cheerleaders more than shocking with their extra skimpy outfits and wild dancing. Probably the best change came in the camera play. Views of the field and plays were stupendous with several cameramen swarming around the players capturing each minute up close and from every angle. One of the favorite changes was that made to the player's salaries. Each player receives an average of \$40,000 with bonuses, but only for winning. However you look at it, this is a big change for football. Announcers have complete liberties in voicing their opinions. Change could even be seen in the team names and player jerseys. Printed on the backs of many jerseys, instead of names, were things like "He Hate Me". The hyped team names consist of the Thunderbolts, Enforcers, Hitmen, Rage, Outlaws, Demons, Maniax, and Extreme.

NBC and UPN both report high interest in the preview - about twice as high as was expected. It's still too early to see how many loyal fans the XFL will draw and football has a bad history with offshoot leagues. Despite the extremely mixed controversy over the league, the debut was a smashing success and a wonderful crowd pleaser. This season's eight teams may just prove to spawn a new era of sport. Find out for yourself how it fares by watching the games on NBC and UPN each weekend at 8:00 pm or by surfing xfl.com.

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afraid of dreaming. After all, none of the dreams come true right? Well I would like to challenge you with this, God has a plan for each of us. He has also called us to play a specific part in the Body of Christ. Have confidence in the fact that the Great I AM knows you and has plans for your life.

Dare to dream and act upon those dreams as Amy Carmichael did. For we have this promise from Christ, that as we go out into all the world and fulfill His commission for us in Matthew 28:18-20 that He will be with us always, even to the end of the age. Talk about being able to place your confidence in someone. God has promised to be with us **ALWAYS!**

Now then, this question arises, why are we afraid to dream, to put ourselves out on the line for God's Kingdom? This is truly one of the hardest and yet most simple questions to answer. Why not? Because we are afraid. Why are we afraid? Because we don't trust. Our Lord is faithful. (I Thess. 5:24) Let us Trust Him and may we become fuel for the Flame of God.



MEN'S BASKETBALL - Milligan used a last minute comeback to take Montreat 82-76 Tuesday in an AAC conference game. The Buffalos led in McAllister Gym at the half by four, but Montreat, behind 24 points by Rondell Clark, grabbed the lead and held on until the Buffalos sank several free throws and hit a three-pointer to pull into the lead. Lance Ashby hit on 7 of 16 from the floor and 7 of 8 from the free-throw line to pace the Buffalos, who lead the AAC. The loss still leaves Montreat in the thick of the battle for second place and a second seed in the end-of-season tournament. Free throws were the difference as Milligan hit for 21 of 25 for 84% compared to Montreat's 13 of 19 for 69%. Montreat (17-11,10-6) will travel to Brevard College in a battle for second place this Saturday at 7:30 pm. WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - Leigh Jones hit 8 for 8 from the free throw line for the last points of the game as Montreat used a second half rally to topple Milligan and take their 26th straight home win 91-82 at home on Tuesday. Although Jones closed out the win for the Cavaliers, the 27 points and 10 rebounds by former McDowell stand out Jennifer Brooks kept Montreat in the game as she hit on 10 of 18 from the floor and 5 of 11 from three-point range. Amanda Duncan added 9 points and 10 rebounds for a double-double. Montreat's bench depth of Penny Dowell, Amanda Harper, and Shana Hoilman kept the Cavaliers fresh on the court. Vera Conklin and Melissa Potter each hit for 18 and Nicky Jenson 17 in the losing cause for Milligan. With the win, Montreat (19-7,14-2) kept the lead in AAC conference. The Cavaliers will next travel to Brevard for a 5:30 pm Saturday game.

Karen's Kitchen

How do you love your sweetheart? Let's count thy ways... yet, your darling shall love you better after making this treat for Valentine's Day! Promising extraordinary results, here's

Easy Chocolate Fudge 2 c.(12-oz. pkg.) semisweet chocolate chips 1 can (14-oz.) sweetened condensed milk I c. (8-oz) walnuts

1 tsp. vanilla

Line 8- or 9- inch square pan with aluminum foil. Combine morsels and sweetened condensed milk in a microwave-safe bowl. Heat on high for one minute, stirring at 30 second intervals. Continue to microwave, if necessary, until all chocolate chips are melted. Stir in walnuts and vanilla. Pour into prepared pan. Chill for 2 hours or until set. Cut into square pieces and enjoy! (recipe adapted from verybestbaking.com)

investigation. A report will be made at the next meeting. It was agreed that SGA presence needs to be made in the search for the new chaplain. Jason Bryant will be meeting with this committee Wednesday and will discuss this option. Concern was made that the process is close to being over. Yet, consensus was made that some presence is needed of this body. Jason will report back with results and possibilities of further involvement by SGA. SGA will make lists of campus concerns and present them at the next meeting for discussion. Service Projects: A cookout

Student Gov't

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Tim Tyson has researched this, and

Jason Bryant and Adam Shultz were

appointed to work with Tim in his

Minutes

was suggested for a campus-wide "presence making" event for the SGA as well. Jason Bryant will look into this in the future as it gets warmer. Message to Constituents: It was discussed that we might email our constituents and alert them of SGA progress. It will be helpful to make an address list on email. Sandra Owen can aid in this. Next Meeting: Sunday February 11th at

Who Cares?

Valentine's Day is the perfect opportunity to let your friends, family, and sweethearts know why and how much you care. Send your comments and odelets of love to whetstone @montreat.edu and view them all next week at montreat.edu/agape.

Buffalo, Boars, and Snakes - Oh My!

by Donovan Campbell
No reader, I'm not talking about some wild prairie; I'm talking about food. This wild game is served right here in Asheville at a restaurant named "Spirits on the River". I don't know about you, but I love to try new things and this was definitely worth it! Renee Pittman and I were lucky enough to be allowed to review a restaurant. "Spirits on the River" serves very unique dishes; in fact wonderfully delicious unique dishes.

Since this is a Valentine's special,



The Incredible Edible Fry Bread Sundae

Overall, I would definitely recommend this as a great date spot. It probably wouldn't be advised as a first date, but for those of you who have been together for a while it would be a great experience. The soft ethnic music provides a relaxing feel, while the abounding Native American motif highlighted by wall decorations proves extremely interesting. Dim candlelight and a comfortably warm temperature top things nicely. And the service is perfect. The restaurant is by no means fancy - it's not supposed to be. It is, however, fun and romantic at the same time. Even if you don't make it for Valentine's Day, be sure to get there sometime in the warmer months- the solar moon deck will be the most awesome dining settings I have ever seen.

How about the most important aspect of a restaurant...the food? "Spirits" is sure to offer foods you have never tried before. While beef burgers, steak, or ham sandwiches may not be available, pheasant, rattlesnake, frog-legs and even turtle can be sampled. Even better, the price is right. Two dinners with drink, including desert should set you back only about \$25. Whatever you do, don't skip the desert. The

Fry Bread Sundae stands as one of the best deserts we have ever enjoyed. At just \$3.95, the Fry Bread is the perfect size and price for sharing with vour sweetheart. I'll end the food review with this. Phillip Bell, the owner of "Spirits on the River", attests that both the

Grove Park Inn and Biltmore Estates have sent chefs to him to sample this famous game and now offer wild

game on their own menus. Phillip and his wife Anne are no strangers to serving Native American foods; they've been doing it now for 14 years. Phillip recounts that he has always been interested in the American Indian tradition and since his wife had been in the restaurant business for most of her life, the idea for "Spirits" seemed only natural. Phillip believes that "it is important for people to have an awareness of the land they are on." His goal in running a restaurant of this kind is to "educate others on the foods of the Americas." When you stop by, make sure to talk to Phillip and

open by then. This has to be one of Anne; they are wonderfully friendly and educated people who seemed more than willing to share their passion and knowledge with us.

In short, "Spirits on the River" is a must for everyone. Even if for some odd reason, you don't appreciate wild game, the chance for such a cultural experience is worth it. Besides, how could you not support a business that is conscientious enough to use recycled toilet paper?

They aren't too far away. Turn left off of 70 / Tunnel Rd. onto Swannanoa River Rd. (the stop light at Video Update) and they're located just a little ways up on the left. Spirits of the River • 299.1404

Review at a Glance

On a scale of one to ten

Cleanliness	9
Speed of Service	9
Ambience	9
Staff Friendliness	9
Food Quality	10
Value for Money	8
Staff Attentiveness	8

Spirits on the River Accepts:

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