



### Students start on-campus diversity club

By Alex Osborne

Diversity as defined by Merriam Webster is "the quality or state of having many different forms, types, ideas, etc." What is the importance of diversity in today's world? The importance is to learn from those different from you by either race, ethnicity, social class, gender identification, sexual orientation and so on. We all have the tendency to label ourselves, whether it be jock, nerd, socialite or however you like to see yourself. Then there are the labels that are placed upon us by simply being ourselves. Where on campus is there a safe place to explore these stereotypes and hear the voices behind them?

Recently SGA approved the Diversity Club, which was founded upon this principle: to provide a safe place for intellectual discussion on the idea of the "other", to identify what it means to be the "other" and allow people to speak on their experiences of being the odd-man out. This is also a great time to meet other classmates and pick their mind on different issues going on in our world today. Many of our opinions are based on personal experience, so if you decide to come to a meeting, prepare for your peers to look at situations different from you.

Montreat students as a whole don't share a common background, but we do all share the fact that somehow we have all managed to find ourselves attending a small Christian college in the mountains of North Carolina. It's important to remind readers that we are in college, which is a place designed to challenge young minds intellectually, spiritually and even socially. There will be ideas presented opposite of how you were raised, but the true path to growth comes from challenging your beliefs and coming to an even greater understanding or dejection of said beliefs.

President Alexandria Osborne and vice president Hailey Howsare are excited to start their club off from 7:30-9:00 p.m. on March 9. The location is still being decided; look for posters around campus coming soon. All are welcome and encouraged to come. It is important to note that despite the club's roots relating to matters of a serious nature, the club will be hosting spoken word and story nights. These activities will have a lax atmosphere that offer the college more activities for students to get involved in. So if you aren't one for class-like discussion, you're urged to attend a night of fun self-expression, and if you do feel so compelled maybe even take part in the festivities.

### Cavs sweep the Harriers

By Nic Gerstung

The Cavaliers baseball team picked up several wins against the Miami University-Hamilton Harriers in McDowell County this past weekend.

In the first game of three, the Cavaliers swept the Harriers 9-3. Scoring six runs in the first inning, the Cavs got a total of nine hits from eight different batters, including two double hits from left fielder Dylan Jones, who also had three runs. John Cassandra made quick work of the Harriers on the pitching mound, striking out nine batters. Cassandra also gave up only one run on two hits in six innings. Chase Day also went 1-2 with a homerun and three RBIs, while Tray Hill went 1-3 with two RBIs.

In game two on Saturday, the Cavaliers tamed the Harriers 9-1. Braeden Daniels struck out seven batters and surrendered only one run on four hits in five innings. Daniel Collins then took the reins, striking out three batters in two scoreless innings of work. Again Chase Day went 2-3 and scored two runs, while Ryan Hernandez went 2-3 and got a triple and two RBIs.

In the final game of three, the Cavaliers again took an early lead, scoring six runs in the first two innings, but the Harriers weren't going down without a fight, using a four-run sixth inning to take the lead 7-6. However, the Cavaliers did not let this go easy, as they answered back with two runs in the bottom of the sixth to sweep the third game in the series 8-7. Scoring for the Cavs were as follows: Hill went 1-3, scoring a home run and four RBIs and Grayson Snipes had two runs and a double. Obvious issues and four errors on the field resulted in seven runs for the Harriers. Kyle Nyenhuis regained the lead after a tense sixth inning where the Harriers started to pick up the pace. Collins went in in the bottom of the sixth to pitch a scoreless seventh inning and to lead the Cavaliers to a record of 4-9.

The Montreat Cavaliers will take on conference rival Milligan Buffaloes (who are on a six game losing streak) in a double-header this Friday and Saturday at Milligan College. The Cavs hope to pick up their first conference wins of the season.



Photo by Mason Biddix

### "Deadpool" Review

By Nic Gerstung

Superheroes are no longer uncommon. From the big screens to comic books, superheroes are everywhere. The iconic Marvel movies have usually tried to keep superhero movies open to everyone with a PG-13 rating, but there is one movie with an R rating that has stood out from the rest and surpassed all other superhero movies: "Deadpool".

Deadpool is not your normal superhero. Played by Ryan Reynolds, he is sarcastic, childish, vulgar and overdramatic. With an R rating, director Tim Miller and his developers held nothing back and created a Deadpool that was true to his character from the comic books. In the film, Wade Wilson (Ryan Reynolds) is a mercenary with a mouth. His life has just begun to form as he meets Vanessa (Morena Baccarin). However, just as his life is beginning to take off, Wilson finds out he has terminal cancer. In a desperate attempt to save his life, he undergoes a questionable procedure, giving him the ability to

heal at an accelerated rate. Now almost immortal, Wilson takes on the identity of Deadpool.

This wasn't Deadpool's first appearance on the big screen; he first appeared in "X-Men Origins: Wolverine", where Reynolds also played the character, but with the mouth sewn shut (a trait never mentioned or seen in the comics). While this new movie was filled with superb special effects and action scenes that made you grip your seat, it never felt overdone or too green-screened. What really stole the show was Reynolds' Deadpool, whose delivery was full of one-liners, profanity, violence and jokes at the expense of those who made the film.

With all that said, "Deadpool" is the premiere not-your-average anti-hero movie that breaks the fourth wall regularly with complete ridiculousness and deviates from the formulaic rut that all other superhero movies seem to have fallen into in the last decade.



Illustration by Josh Isiguzo

### Proverbs of a Mountain Man

By Daniel Harmon

1. There not being an already existing trail is no excuse not to climb a perfectly good mountain.
2. The most frightening thing about being outside is the part when one has to go back in.
3. An isolated hermit is a happy hermit.
4. No matter what may be thought, toilet paper, indoor plumbing and electricity are luxuries!
5. If it acts like a squirrel, looks like a squirrel and sounds like a squirrel, it should taste delicious.
6. Some who wander are indeed lost, they just don't know when to admit defeat due to incompetence.
7. One's mouth, hands, and feet are the original multi-tool.
8. Snow and heavy rain in the wilderness are two of God's favorite ways to remind someone of their knees' other functions.
9. If I can't eat it, kill things with it or keep myself warm with it, I have no use for it!
10. If a person can't say anything [...], don't talk.
11. Not all who wander have the brains to cash the checks that their egos write.
12. "The Grizzly Man" and the kid from "Into the Wild" shared two of man's greatest traits: incompetence and stupidity.
13. Beards are like blankets, only more durable.
14. Bare feet are the most durable, longest lasting and most comfortable footwear I have ever owned.