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Soccer gets final win to clinch Big South.

The Lady Highlanders finish their remarkable season at 14-1-6.

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Photo courtesy of Weinstein Company

"Zack and Miri Make a Porno" review.

Kevin Smith's new film has raised controversy for its title, but is it good?

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Campus Numbers

3 The number of Big South titles that Radford University's soccer team has won.



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"There is not a liberal America and a conservative America - there is the United States of America. There is not a black America and a white America and latino America and asian America - there's the United States of America."

-Barack Obama

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'America, this is our moment'



In January, Barack Obama will become the first African-American president in United States history.

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Nov. 4, 2008 was a day to remember for the American people and the rest of the world. On that historic day the American people elected the first African-American President of the United States of America, Barack Obama.

As the results began pouring in on Election Day,

people around the country watched their televisions to see who would be the next American president. Slowly the results arrived, first from the Northeast and Southeast, where the polls closed first. As the votes trickled in, it became apparent that Obama would triumph. Obama tallied a total of 365 electoral votes to John McCain's 162. At time of print, Missouri remained too close to call. Not only did Obama win the electoral section of the race, but the popular vote as well.

The Senate and House of Representatives also continue to be controlled by the Democratic Party.

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Fire ravages through Radford apartment

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A small candle was potentially the cause of a devastating fire on Monday, Nov. 10, in the ground floor apartment of the 1100 block of Downey Street, forcing the residents out indefinitely.

Witnesses noticed a bright glow from the room, calling authorities and then yelling to see if anyone was home.

Twelve people in the apartment complex were displaced for the night, three of those permanently.

None were hurt, just emotionally distressed.

Some of the men left the scene saying, "I just want to get out," and "what can you do."

Radford police, rescue, and fire emergency arrived soon after the calls, putting the flames out before they spread to the remainder of the complex.

The apartment suffered approximately \$75,000 in building damages, with approximately \$30,000 in content damages,

according to Radford City Fire Chief Lee Simpkins.

Representatives from Residential Life and American Red Cross were at the scene placing the displaced students in temporary housing.

The stench of smoke was prevalent throughout Radford, with some students smelling the strong odor just before 6:00 p.m., though officials haven't stated when the actual fire started.

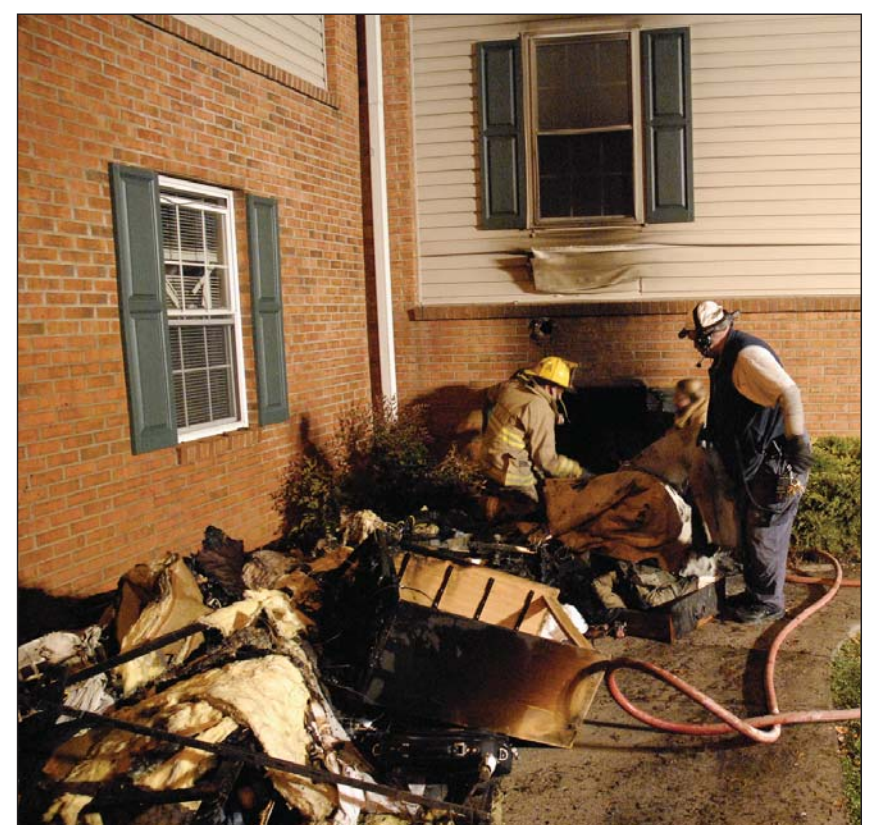
Radford University senior Ashley Bower, who lives in the same complex, witnessed the flames pouring from the bottom window.

Bower said she was leaving Walker hall when she smelled the burning apartment and knew it was close to her home.

"I really do feel bad for them," Bower said, "We want to do some kind of fundraiser."

Residents of the second floor, just above the fire, said they could feel the heat from their own rooms.

The affected Price Williams Reality building section, including the second and third



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Firefighters worked to finish putting out the fire and clean up debris. The fire totaled an apartment located on the 1100 block of Downey Street.

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