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## Our Opinion

As the academic school year comes to an end, we've decided to take a look at all the great moments we've had at Radford University. The 2012-2013 school year has been filled with memorable moments. We began the school year by honoring the 4th Radford Unilate with the grand opening of the COBE building, a \$44 million Flood that is a "state-of-the-art academic building" according to Radford.edu. September brought a few things; SGA voted to ban smoking on campus, a new transit system, as well as building renovations. The spring semester began with a surprising incident that upset many students. We saw Highlander spirit when students and local auto shop manager Richard Henegar, came together to support Jordan Addison when his car was vandalized. The story got Ellen Degeneres's attention and she invited the two men on her season premiere show. In early February, the New River Valley community experienced heavy rain that of which caused a damaging flood. The damage impacted over 100 vehicles parked in Lot Z, as well as damages in other parts of the NRV. We even saw a change in Greek Life here at RU. The Interfraternity Council (IFC) as well as the Pan-hellenic Council (NPC) provided opportunities for community service and philanthropy to RU with their special events held on campus throughout the year. The National Pan-hellenic Council (NPHC) began to grow as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc, returned to the RU community by welcoming new members to their organizations. More recently, A\$AP Rocky headlined the spring concert hosted by R-Space. As the semester and the academic year comes to an end we are reminded that our time here at RU is more than just education, we are 'investing in lifetimes.'