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ABC rule cracks down on keg parties



Photo by Mallory Meyers, The Ring-tum Phi

The new ABC regulation makes it a crime to purchase a keg from which minors will be drinking.

By LEIGH ALLEN
Phi News Editor

Washington and Lee students who purchase kegs for parties where minors are drinking could end up in jail under a new Virginia ABC regulation that goes into effect Jan. 13.

Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Officer Roger Stevens said the new regulation obligates anyone buying a keg at a retail outlet to register the keg and give the address where the keg will be tapped.

The purchaser must fill out a "keg registration, declaration and receipt" which includes a statement that he is at least 21 and that no minors will be allowed to drink from the keg.

"Should we come to a party and find a keg and underage drinkers," Stevens said, "we will have the name of the purchaser and they can be charged" with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. That crime, a misde-

meanor, carries a punishment of up to a \$2,500 fine and one year in jail.

Stevens said the new regulation will allow ABC officers to locate parties where minors might be drinking.

"We can check keg registration lists and see if there is a large number of kegs going to a certain fraternity," he said.

East Lex owner Jim Bowen said he does not believe the law will affect the way W&L students purchase beer. The regulation, Bowen said, will mainly be used by police to trace kegs at parties attended by teens.

"I think they're trying to target high schoolers," Bowen said. "I can't say that it's going to have much of an effect on students."

But Stevens said anyone who buys a keg under the new regulation is responsible for making sure that no minors are served.

EC President Josh MacFarland said the new regulation brings up the remote pos-

sibility of an honor violation for students who make a keg available to minors after signing a pledge that they will not. But MacFarland said he would be "very hesitant" to kick a student out of school for failing to comply with the regulation.

"In general, I would hesitate to say what is and what is not an honor violation without looking at a specific case," MacFarland said.

The Associated Press reported Monday that a squad of specially trained officers in Virginia Beach was formed to respond to complaints of under-age drinking. The squad busted 10 parties in the Virginia Beach area over the recent holiday season.

Lillian DeVenny, head of Virginians Opposing Drunk Driving, said she is excited about the new regulation.

"It certainly should put a big dent in those notorious keg parties," DeVenny said.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

MTV dumps Rock-a-Like

By JUSTIN MACNAULL
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee's national lip sync dynasty has ended.

After crowning two W&L champions in the last three years, MTV has withdrawn its sponsorship of the national Students Against Multiple Sclerosis (SAMS) Rock-a-Like contest.

But the beat will go on at W&L under a different name and serving an additional cause.

The lack of sponsorship provided an opportunity for SAMS sponsor Jerry Darrell and chairmen Ashley Myler and Elise Hagensen to expand their focus.

Concerned about the economic plight of Rockbridge County residents following recent plant closings, Darrell suggested that the lip sync proceeds be split between SAMS and the Rockbridge Area Relief Association.

The first annual SAMS/RARA lip sync contest will be Friday, Jan. 22 at 9 p.m. in the pavilion, Darrell said.

Darrell said he estimates that half of the contest's proceeds will benefit RARA and Community

Share, a similar organization. Nearly 700 people filled the Pavilion for last year's contest, won by five Sigma Phi Epsilon pledges gyrating to Right Said Fred's "I'm Too Sexy." The pledges later won MTV's national competition in Daytona Beach, Fla.

In 1990, three Phi Gamma Delta members won the national contest for their performance of "Jungle Love."

Darrell said last year's contest raised \$3,215 to fight multiple sclerosis, a disease affecting the nervous system.

The lip sync contest started seven years ago in the Generals Headquarters, but moved to the Pavilion in 1990 to hold the large crowds. MTV also began sponsorship in 1990. The move and MTV affiliation helped SAMS double the amount of money it raised.

Most acts are fraternity and sorority pledge classes, but Darrell said he hopes to expand the variety of performers.

"We want to see more faculty acts," Darrell said. He said performances by professors and athletes would draw an even larger crowd and raise more money.



Photo by Richard Peltz, The Ring-tum Phi

Sorority actives rehearse a musical presentation to entice rushees.

Women anticipate Rush week

By NIKKI MAGAZINER
Phi Staff Writer

While sorority actives excitedly prepare for Rush to begin, freshman women are still hesitant about the week which could change their college careers.

"No one really wants to be that fake for four days in a row," a freshman woman said. "But there must be some reason why girls go through Rush."

On Friday, 154 freshmen and 17 upper-class women will begin four nights of Rush functions with an informal Open House. After Sunday's Skit Night, each sorority selects rushees to

invite back to Tuesday's Sisterhood Night, after which another cut is made.

When the final party is over on Thursday night, Eubanks said rushees and sororities choose each other in a "mutually matching process." Bids are given out Friday afternoon.

Some freshman women said that though Rush is one way to meet upper-class women, they don't see how sororities fit into life at Washington and Lee.

"Since they don't have houses, [sororities] don't seem to do anything," a freshman said. "I'm not really into all that sisterhood and sing-songy stuff. I think it's kind of silly."

But sorority members say Rush is

more than silly songs and superficial conversations.

"[Rush] is definitely a really busy and fun time," a sorority president said. "Since we don't have houses, [Rush] brings all the sororities together."

Contact between sorority actives and rushees is prohibited this weekend, which distresses rushees who can't partake in the traditional W&L social scene. But though rushees are unsure about the week to come, most agree with sorority members that the possibilities for friendships outweigh the inconveniences.

"We're encouraging everyone to just go and have fun and meet as many people as they can," Eubanks said.

Students shun '93 yearbook

By RANSOM JAMES
Phi Contributing Writer

Just a third of undergraduates will appear in this year's Calyx, about 200 people less than two years ago.

Calyx editor Anthony Catalano is searching for a solution to the decrease in undergraduates appearing in the Calyx, from 581 in 1991 to 510 in 1992. This year, Catalano said about 400 people signed up to have their picture taken. He said it was possible that fewer people signed up because of an increase in the fee from \$12 to \$15.

Catalano said the additional money will be used to improve the quality of the book and add a more expensive cover. But Catalano said some students believe it is not worth the extra money to have their picture in the Calyx.

"I realize the problem with the fee," Catalano said. "I'm in the process of coming up with a solution for next year."

Catalano said he is considering two ideas he hopes will allow more students to appear in the Calyx: allowing students to bill the fee to their parents rather than paying for it in the matriculation line and asking the Executive Committee to request a raise in the student activities fee to pay for every student's picture.

In an effort to get more people in this year's annual, Catalano said students can still have their picture taken Monday, Jan. 11.

Sophomore drops case against cadet

By GREGORY PATTERSON
Phi News Editor

Criminal charges against a VMI cadet accused of assaulting a W&L junior in an October fight were reduced and then dismissed in Lexington General District Court.

On Dec. 8, Judge Robert S. Culpepper dismissed assault and battery charges against Virginia Military Institute cadet Todd Washington. The charges stemmed from an Oct. 8 fight at Phi Delta Theta in which Phi Delt member Joshua Helton had two teeth knocked out.

Helton said Tuesday he agreed to drop the felony malicious wounding charges against Washington, but would not say why.

Helton was injured in the second of two fights involving students and cadets on the same night. Washington was arrested Oct. 26 after Helton filed a complaint stating that Washington "struck me at least twice and knocked out two of my teeth."

Washington was released on recognizance with the stipulation that he would have no contact with Helton and would not go to the Phi Delt house.

Washington had not returned to Lexington from Christmas break on Wednesday and could not be reached at his home in Trafford, Pa. Washington's lawyer, G. Marshall Mundy of Roanoke, would not comment on the case.

In response to a series of fights between W&L students and cadets, VMI Commandant Mike Bissell told the Interfraternity Council Tuesday that he hoped to avoid further incidents but he told fraternity officers what to do in case they do have problems with cadets.

Bissell said anyone can call the officer in charge at VMI at 464-7336 anytime day or night. He said the officer, who is not a cadet, will respond to any reports of cadets misbehaving by coming to the scene and returning the cadets to VMI.

Bissell also said he would personally respond to any complaints that the officer in charge could not handle. He gave the fraternity members his number at home, 464-5181.

Fraternity Fall Term Report Card

(figures include pledges and active members)

Beta	2,768
ChiO	3,226
ChiPsi	2,932
Fiji	2,630
KA	3,139
Kappa	3,262
KSig	3,040
LCA	3,101
PhiDelt	2,841
PhiKapp	2,676
PhiPsi	2,878
PiBeta	3,050
PIKA	2,912
PiPhi	2,828
SAE	2,950
SigChi	2,807
SigEp	2,955
SNU	2,742
Theta	3,207

Fraternity Men	2,874
Non-Fraternity Men	2,896
Fraternity Women	3,187
Non-Fraternity Women	3,123
All Students	2,983

Hose-pitality

Man asks W&L women for panty hose

By TOM HESPOS
Phi Staff Writer

W&L women are being visited by a young man who goes from door to door asking for their panty hose, though it might be for a good cause.

Jackie Van Vliet, a W&L sophomore who lives on McCorkle Drive, said a young male knocked on her door in November. When she answered the door, the man asked her if she could spare some black socks or panty hose. She said she refused and the man politely thanked her and walked away.

"He looks like a child," Van Vliet said, "about junior high age."

Van Vliet said she didn't think enough of the incident to call the Lexington police, who have received a number of complaints about the man.

Sophomore Ashlie Kauffman said that when the man visited her house on North Randolph Street, he said he was using the panty hose to make dolls.

"The first time he came, one of my roommates

gave him some old panty hose," Kauffman said. "He came a few times after that but we told her not to give him anything."

Van Vliet said that "Panty Hose Man," as he is called on campus, was discussed at a meeting of her sorority. Van Vliet said her sorority's resident consultant, Lauren Gross, warned the women about the man and said he had come to her Lee Avenue apartment eight times.

The Lexington police are withholding complaints filed against Panty Hose Man pending an investigation to determine whether he has committed a crime but Lexington Police Chief Bruce M. Beard said police think they know Panty Hose Man's identity.

"We're constantly observing the gentleman," he said.

Beard said anyone who is visited by Panty Hose Man should contact police.

"We have a sticky situation here," Beard said. "He has not yet committed a crime to our knowledge."

Will reschedules address, to speak on Founders' Day

From the W&L News Office

Columnist and author George Will will be the special guest speaker at W&L's Founders' Day Convocation on Jan. 19.

Will was scheduled to speak at Opening Convocation in September but cancelled his appearance because of travel problems.

Will, whose column appears in 470 newspapers across the United States including The Ring-tum Phi, will speak in Lee Chapel at 11:30 a.m.

Omicron Delta Kappa, a na-

tional honorary fraternity which will induct 27 students during the Convocation, will tap Will as an honorary member. ODK was founded at W&L in 1914.

Other honorary initiates will include John F. Wolfe, '65, who is president and publisher of The Dispatch Printing Company in Columbus, Ohio; Randall P. Bezanson, dean of the W&L law school; and W&L art history professor Pamela Simpson.

Founders' Day is celebrated each year on Jan. 19, Robert E. Lee's birthday.



Will

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Mickey Mouse: tan, rested and ready

The Executive Committee followed student governments of past years off the plank Monday, leaping into the supra-constitutional realm of scheduling class elections.

Election scheduling is a perennial headache for the EC. The student constitution sets Big Three elections on the 10th Monday of winter term and general elections on the 12th Monday, unless those dates conflict with the "school schedule." If there is a conflict, such as law school break, the EC may move the elections with a two-thirds affirmative vote.

But last year the EC abused the constitution's flexibility by moving Big Three elections to the week before February break, and this year's EC followed suit. The constitution mandates that elections be advertised in The Ring-tum Phi every week in February; obviously, the constitution writers intended that elections occur in March.

The scheduling scheme of the constitution is not arbitrary. Holding elections too early discourages students from getting involved. With elections falling so early in winter term, many students might not have time to consider candidacy and prepare for a campaign adequately.

Last year's Feb. 10 election is a case in point. EC President Josh MacFarland's top challengers were two write-in candidates: B.J. League, then a senior, and Mickey Mouse, who was not even a student. Both League and Mouse entered the race primarily to make a point about the poor scheduling that resulted in an uncontested presidency.

But MacFarland and the EC plan to repeat last year's mistake. The committee voted 7-2 to move Big Three elections to early February: Agelasto, Hackney, Hutton, Johnson, Kull, Pierce and Tompkins for; Moseley and Stewart against.

There is a precedent for this move, albeit unconstitutional. In the fall of 1990-91, the EC endorsed constitutional revisions, one of which would have made election scheduling more flexible. We do not endorse that revision, as it would permit elections on any week before the 10th, and it would set the Big Three elections before February break. All the revisions failed because too few students voted in the referendum; ironically, the low turnout was attributable to poor scheduling.

To prevent a repeat of last year's disastrous farce of a presidential election, the EC must conform to the constitution and advance the Big Three election to March 8. The only rationale the EC has for not holding elections on March 8 is that FD is the weekend prior. But during the constitutional revisions procedures three years ago, then-VRB Chairman Wes Goings told the revisions committee that election turnout actually increased when elections were held on the Monday after FD.

Speaking of constitutional revisions, the constitution makes no mention of a general election for Student Conduct Committee president. While the revised SCC constitution and procedures agreed on last year by faculty and students have improved the SCC and strengthened student autonomy, these changes must be incorporated into the constitution to be valid.

The EC should adopt a constitutional revision formally changing the Big Three to the Big Four, and send that revision to referendum simultaneously with the election, thus ensuring high turnout. While they're at it, they might consider revising the constitution to legalize some other unconstitutional practices, such as closing EC doors for interviews.

White Book rules

We hope everyone has taken the time to read the My View on this page, which was written by the mother of a student dismissed in a student body hearing last spring. In normal circumstances, The Ring-tum Phi follows White Book guidelines in disclosing no information on honor proceedings, because we have a sizable readership outside the student body. In this case, however, we consulted EC President Josh MacFarland, who agreed that the student body might benefit from reading Ms. McCord's opinions in the Phi unedited.

Quote of the Week

It's the only way I know what day it is.
— A W&L junior expressing her preference for birth control pills organized by day of the week

How dumb do you think I am?
— Associate Dean of Students Leroy C. "Buddy" Atkins, asking a presumably rhetorical question

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OPINION

How To FOIL THE KEG REGISTRATION

LAW, LESSON ONE:

MAKE IT HARD FOR THE POLICE
TO PIN DOWN THE LOCATION
OF YOUR KEG.



Honor System cries for review

MY VIEW

By Suzanne McCord

When I read your editorial entitled "Leave Honor to the Students," I felt compelled to clarify the misconceptions alluded to in this article. I think this article would have been more accurately classified as a gossip column, but I will attempt to clarify what pertains directly to my child, who was dismissed for an alleged honor violation last May, and to my family. I cannot, however, speak for the Board of Trustees or the EC on matters directly evolving from their meetings where I was not present. I will begin by quoting the false statement and giving you the true facts to the best of my knowledge.

1. Fallacy: "According to several students, many alumni in the dismissed student's home state were also contacted and asked to participate in an effort to have her conviction reversed and to have her reinstated at the university."

Fact: We, as a family, were terribly disturbed and frustrated by the apparent injustice in our daughter's case, but the outpouring of concern from friends and W&L associates, who were equally astounded by the verdict, triggered an in-depth research project on legal procedures in our country and a comparative study of honor codes at other universities.

Without exception, we found W&L's Honor System to have more procedural deficiencies as well as being more inconsistently administered than any other single sanction system. We also found W&L's Honor System to be the most punitive of any other system, including the military academies where soldiers are trained in the most stringent disciplinary matters to prepare them for life-threatening situations. We responded to all the people who had expressed concern for our child's case or who had a specific connection to us in W&L affairs by sending them a copy of our research, and to avoid rumor, we explained all the specifics in our child's case. While we were interested in and sincerely appreciated everyone's special condolences and well-founded opinions, we subsequently encouraged any further input to be communicated directly to the school to raise the awareness of the discrepancies in the Honor System.

2. Fallacy: "And there is a third story, which says administrators, and possibly the Board of Trustees, discussed allowing the dismissed student back at W&L to audit courses unofficially."

Fact: I have no knowledge of a discussion of this nature in the Board of Trustees meeting, but I can enlighten your readers on my child's position on this subject as well as any request we might have made in our letter to the school. While my daughter was very happy and devoted to W&L last year and remains close to her many dear friends at the school, she has no intention of returning to the university and certainly would not be interested in merely auditing classes. In fact, the brutality of the dismissal has regrettably made it too painful even to return to be with many special friends whom she would delight in seeing.

When we submitted our honor code research to the President of the university and the Board of Trustees, we requested a review of my daughter's case based on numerous inequities we feel exist. Each of these grievances was substantiated in our letter and the request was made based on Section III, Paragraph "N" of the White Book stating that a hearing may be reopened to prevent injustices. We were cordially informed by the Board of Trustees in a letter that our request and honor code research had been passed along to the Executive Committee where it was determined we had no grounds for an appeal. Actually, we could never imagine the prosecuting committee finding any reason to reopen a case they had already painstakingly litigated with success. Therefore, this was merely an exercise in futility. I agree with the statement in the article which read, "Likewise, once a case goes to open hearing, it should never be re-adjudicated in a less-than-open hearing room."

3. Fallacy: The article inferred that there was a movement threatening student control of the Honor System.

Fact: We are simply advocating the most thorough and professional review of the system, not stripping the power of enforcement of the Honor System from the students. All systems require examination from time to time, and my daughter's case has emphasized that need at W&L. I feel the EC by itself is not capable of an objective review of a system which they have been charged to defend so vehemently but should have the benefit of a public debate. In this respect I agree with your article when you write, "The future of the Honor System should never be discussed behind doors closed to all students." My only apparent difference in concept on "open discussion" is who is "allowed" to voice an opinion. I believe the review would benefit tremendously from the sentiments of the entire W&L community (students, professors, alumni, parents, administrators, etc). Some very vital suggestions and ideas could come from the experience of those who have dealt with judicial matters outside the university and who are familiar with protecting the

rights of the accused and accepting the responsibilities of the prosecution. Be careful not to create an overzealous reaction of "threat to student autonomy" when the input of all those affected by the system combined with the fresh contemporary ideas of the students would only serve to strengthen through education and debate the system governed by the students.

4. Fallacy: Another inference in the article is that my daughter would utilize her father's association with the school to facilitate her return to the W&L classroom.

Fact: This could not be further from the truth! Even if she were considering returning to W&L, and she is not, she would only return with the blessing of the student body. Your article is correct when you refer to the dismissed student's father being a member of the Alumni Board. Her father has had a deep sense of gratitude and devotion to W&L since his graduation in 1963 and has been an active participant in many alumni affairs benefiting the school. He has many friends in the W&L community and has naturally had communication with many of these friends as a result of the sadness surrounding our daughter's dismissal.

It is with sincere hopefulness and enthusiasm that I embrace the idea of a public debate on matters of concern in the Honor System every one supports and would like to see function with maximum effectiveness, virtue and fairness. As I reflect on many of the letters we received, and the honor codes from other universities we read, there are five points which repeatedly surfaced, and I hope will be addressed in this debate.

1. Intent— A student should not be afraid of unintentionally or unknowingly committing an honor violation in a system which is touted for creating a community of mutual trust.

2. Dismissal (versus withdrawal after closed hearing)— A student should not be more severely punished for exercising the right to an appeal. We could not find a judicial system in this country which has a stiffer penalty for conviction in the appellate process than it has for the original verdict. The students who are unjustly penalized by this rule are those who believe strongly in their innocence or who have a marginal offense, not the blatant cheater.

3. Voting Investigators— The EC investigators of an alleged violation should not be allowed to prosecute the case, sit in judgment, deliberate the verdict, and then vote on the verdict. This could create a bias and severely hamper the rights of the accused.

4. Tattletale Policy— The accuser should have to confront the accused for his/her explanation of what happened. We received two suggestions if this confrontation is impossible: 1) A mediation group should be formed with the professor involved and other relevant parties to discuss and try to understand and resolve the differences before reporting the offense to the EC; 2) Perhaps the offense should be reported to the professor, and the professor should decide if it is a reportable incident.

5. Unanimous Jury Vote— The student jury in the open trial should be required to have a unanimous vote to convict like all other judicial systems in our country.

The focus of our criticism of W&L's Honor System is the procedural inequities which deny the accused student a fair and impartial hearing. As it is currently written, the Honor System unfairly restricts and even intimidates the accused student. All five of these inequities should be of great concern to the W&L student body. Frankly, I am appalled that a public hearing could take place on such a questionable offense, a dedicated and respected student could be ostracized by her peers, and it would take this long to raise any public awareness, controversy, or debate. This makes me believe there is a tremendous insensitivity in the student body to the far-reaching effects and hurt of the damaging blows they are inflicting. I am equally as astonished by the number of people in the W&L community (students, professors, administrators, alumni, parents, and even the professor directly involved in our case) who have remarked to us that they never truly understood all the implications of the system they hailed as the "W&L gospel." I hope a thorough examination of the Honor System and its implications through public debate will serve to raise the awareness of everyone affected by the system and prevent this tragedy from occurring with another naive, well-meaning student.

I was pleased to read your reference to the "spirit of the white book" which I feel should be reclaimed by the W&L student body. There is no question that the "letter of the law" was enforced in my daughter's case, but the "spirit of the law" was never broached. As I understand it, the spirit of the law was to create a community of mutual trust protecting all the honorable members of that community from the deceitful acts of lying, cheating, and stealing. By virtue of several ill-defined areas addressed in the W&L Honor System and the general lack of protection of the rights of the accused, the code as it stands now generates

just the opposite of this intended spirit. In other words, an innocent or unsuspecting honorable student is more likely to be trapped by the system than the devious cheater who has refined the skills of covering his tracks. This is creating a community of fear, not a community of trust. This should be of concern to all students, and public debate should serve to educate everyone in this community of these serious pitfalls in a doctrine they revere unconditionally without questioning the lack of protection for each worthy student.

Each member of our family is a strong proponent of a well-implemented Honor System, and my daughter was and still is an advocate of the Honor System at W&L. However, fairness through education and administration is of utmost concern to us after this devastating experience. If you consider some of the offenses which could be interpreted as an honor violation under the present system, a student could have a life-altering experience for such simple acts as borrowing without proper permission or signing a pledge after writing a paper on a book you read when indeed you skimmed part of the book and did not read every word. If everyone at W&L was put under the same scrutiny as my daughter, I think it would be safe to say you would have a very small student body. When there are so many serious problems on our college campuses, many of which are against the laws of our nation, such as rape, drugs, underage drinking, drunk driving, cheating and stealing, and disrespect for property, it seems unfortunate to focus such wrath on a student like my child who loved the school, was a contributor in many aspects of campus life, was an advocate of the Honor System, a dedicated student, and a person of notable integrity. I don't think this is the type of person the system is designed to impugn.

In retrospect, it has been a very painful and soul-searching experience for our entire family. While I understand in much greater detail than I ever thought possible the Honor System at Washington and Lee, I have an even stronger commitment to my daughter as an honorable individual, and I understand and feel a deeper sense of compassion in my heart for her as she has been forced to examine her own integrity and deal with this public humiliation which I feel she never deserved. I know she made an "error in judgment," but she had no intention of deceit. These are the kind of mistakes we, as human beings, make every day of our lives. A question was posed to one of the professors in the open trial to the effect of, "Do you ever say you have done something when you have not done it?" He replied with a chuckle, "Of course, we all do that." Unfortunately, the jury was left with the final impression of the blazing accusations of the EC prosecutor when he stood in closing, pointing his finger at my child, calling her by name, and exclaiming in a repugnant tone of voice, she is a liar. This is a "dagger" which has been very difficult to remove from all our hearts, and I still question, "Is this honor system which is so revered at W&L the same honor system which gives this EC member the license to make such incriminating and erroneous accusations to the entire student body?" Is this honorable behavior in itself? Do these prosecuting students stop to think about the damage they inflict by "dismissing" a student when the outside world treats this label as an act with a connotation resembling that of a hardened criminal. These are all questions I would like to see addressed in a public review of the system, and hopefully, provoking changes in the doctrine to provide safeguards to prevent another tragedy such as my daughter's, where the punishment does not fit the crime.

I sincerely hope the apparent indifference on the Washington and Lee campus does not prevent further student investigation and debate on the many disputable aspects of the code which we discovered as a result of my daughter's incomprehensible dismissal. As a matter of reference, we found the UVA honor code to be most closely akin to the W&L code, being a student operated system with a single sanction. The defining document at UVA is very well drawn with specific language of what constitutes an honor violation. UVA's system has built-in safeguards to prevent minor infractions from being brought to trial and to give the accused an unbiased chance for defense. The administration of the UVA code involves many more

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people than one executive committee or governing body including honor counselors, honor advisors, and mediation groups, and the procedures for this administration are very explicit. We have spent a great deal of time and effort on this project and would be glad to share any of our documentation with those who are interested. Do not misinterpret our objectives, for we are not trying to cast blame in our daughters case, have her re-instated in your university, demolish the single sanction system, or threaten student autonomy, but we are questioning the system and trying to inspire some much needed change to give the accused a fair chance to defend themselves. We feel very strongly that just because a doctrine has been in place for 200 years does not mean it is totally without flaw. I challenge the complacency of W&L and charge each of you with the responsibility of examining and debating the imperfections in a dogma everyone at W&L sanctifies but few truly understand.

Suzanne McCord is the mother of a student dismissed after an open honor trial last spring.

OPINION

Spos reveals Ernest and Julio's secret

SPOS' SPACE

By Tom Hespos

qwertyuop — Oh, excuse me, just testing out the new word processor Spos received for Christmas this year. A rather nice model, Spos must thank his loving parental units for such a useful gift, as this new word processor will greatly facilitate my dishing out vital information to my thousands of admiring fans.

Anyway, this column has a lot of objectives and is sure to be long-winded, so I will get off this power trip and get on with the show.

UPDATE #1 — The Larry Skipper thing is beginning to get just a bit out of hand. Spos has before him a fax transmission, delivered by the folks at Intracampus mail, that shows that followers of this Skipper fellow are completely deranged. The fax reads: "Please forward to Tom Hespos, The Ring-tum Phi. He'll understand." What follows can only be described as incomprehensible garbage: "Larry, Larry, I Love Larry. Larry, Larry, Larry. Be wary of Larry!"

Not to be critical of our nation's mental health facilities or anything,

but how did this guy manage to get to a fax machine after escaping his padded cell?

Spos has also received several correspondences from followers of Mr. Skipper, including envelopes mailed from hotels around the country, containing toilet paper. (Get it?) Further research indicates that Larry Skipper is a Kappa Sig who recently joined the ranks of the alumni. What is it about this guy? We may never know.

UPDATE #2 — The VMI situation. The wave of death threats has finally subsided. Spos no longer gets crank calls at four in the morning. Let's just say that Uncle Vito had a busy Christmas break and leave it at that, shall we?

UPDATE #3 — The inescapable mystique and savoir-faire surrounding 20/20 wine, commonly referred to as

"Mad Dog" — there is none. Before Christmas break, during an alcoholic interlude between exams, Spos and his fraternity brothers had the pleasure of sampling Mad Dog's newest flavor, Banana Red. After sampling the fine beverage, made in Spos' home state of New York, we came to the conclusion that it looks like cherry Hi-C, but tastes like banana liqueur. Imagine the prank possibilities:

Joe Frat: Hey Frank. Have some cherry Hi-C. [offers Frank a glass of Banana Red Mad Dog]

Frank the Pledge: Okay. [Drinks. Vomits on the house mother's shoes. Frat brothers have a good laugh.]

One question plagued Spos' usually clear mind during his late-night

encounter with the beastly beverage: Where does Mad Dog come from?

After some brilliant investigative work, which incidentally consisted of visiting two New York liquor stores and consulting the proprietors, Spos managed to get the truth. In the process, Spos managed to uncover the most embarrassing scandal since Watergate.

As it turns out, the 20/20 Wine Co., which makes Mad Dog, is owned by Gallo Wines. No wait, the best is yet to come. Not only does Gallo produce Mad Dog, but it also produces some of Mad Dog's cousins: Night Train, Thunderbird, Lightning Creek, you name it. It seems that Gallo, a company that claims to be semi-respectable, has cornered the cheap wine market. You learn something every day. Next thing you know, we'll find out that Alice Cooper played the part of Big Bird on "Sesame Street."

Despite Mad Dog's "wino" image, Spos would suggest that you at least sample the new addition to the Mad Dog family. Of course, don't blame me if you end up in the dumpster behind Stop-In, talking to yourself. It is an unfortunate side-effect of prolonged Mad Dog exposure.

GENERAL NOTES

Big 4 Elections

Petitions for the election of Executive Committee president, vice president and secretary, and Student Conduct Committee president are due Feb. 1. The elections will be held Feb. 8.

Senior Photos

Sign-ups for Calyx Senior Pictures will be in front of the Co-op Wednesday, Jan. 13 through Friday, Jan. 15 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Every senior who has not had his photo taken for the Calyx must sign up.

Republicans

College Republicans will hold an open meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13 in the Mock Convention office. There will be a platform discussion on taxes.

Club LAX

Anyone interested in Club Lax should show up to the first 1993 meeting, in Newcomb 7 on Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. Bring a checkbook.

EC Budget

The EC, in an attempt to prevent budget overruns in various student organizations, will hold two interim budget meetings with the treasurers and presidents of each group. At these hearings, the officers will be asked about activities and funds spent to date, as well as plans for future activities. All clubs, unless other arrangements are made with Ames Hutton, are required to attend these interim hearings. If these hearings are not attended, an organization's funds will be frozen at the Business Office. If there are questions or problems, contact Ames Hutton at 463-8588.

Opera

WLUR will continue its broadcasts of live operas from the New York Metropolitan Opera via the Texaco International Radio Network this term. This weekend's opera is Puccini's "Tosca" and will be broadcast Saturday, Jan. 9 at 1:30 p.m. on WLUR 91.5 FM.

Live Drive

If you're drinking, don't drive. Please call Live Drive at 463-8947 for a safe, sober ride. Live Drive operates Friday and Saturday nights from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. We're also looking for volunteers to help drive. If interested, call Melissa or Jess at 464-4017.

WLUR

You could win two tickets and backstage passes to see Alabama, Diamond Rio and Michelle Wright on Friday, Jan. 22 at the Roanoke Civic Center. Listen to WLUR 91.5 FM starting Sunday, Jan. 10 for more details and for a chance to win CDs and cassettes.

Pub Board

The Publications Board will meet Monday, Jan. 11 in The Ring-tum Phi office at 8 p.m. The meeting is open to the community.

Internships

Washington Term Program applications are now available in Professor Connelly's office, C-School room 108, and are due Jan. 11. Internships are available with Congress, the White House, think tanks, executive agencies, and interest groups. They are open to all majors and all classes.

The Phi

The Ring-tum Phi is looking for production assistants. For information contact Rick or Cathy at 463-8581. Reporters are also needed; contact Greg or Leigh for news or Joyce for features at 463-8581.

Roommates

W&L senior needs two responsible W&L student roommates, male or female, to finish a lease for the '92-93 school year. Nic.: house on Washington Street. \$200/month (negotiable). Call 463-5219 for Jeff.

Calyx Photos

Underclass pictures will be taken on Monday, Jan. 11 in the University Center, room 113, 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Don't be left out of the Calyx this year!

General Notes are compiled by Matt Haar

Talkback

The Phi is looking for a responsible person with a camera to become the new Talkback editor. Anyone interested should call Fran at 463-8581.

On Vacation

Because of a clerical error, columnists George Will and Christopher Matthews could not appear in this week's Phi. They will return next week.

LETTERS

Director warns of HVs at Co-op

To the Editor:

I am writing to inform members of the university community of problems that exist in the Snack Bar. Because of the overcrowded conditions at the Snack Bar, we have allowed our patrons, contrary to standard industry practices, to pay for their food before they actually receive it. I am confident that in no other self-service operation, anywhere, would you be allowed to order your food, go to the cashier and inform her, sight unseen, what you have ordered and have that cashier honor your word as to what you ordered. (You pay in advance at McDonald's; however, the cashier who takes your order and your cash is the same person who delivers your food.) This deviation from standard business practice is made possible by our Honor System.

Two problems currently exist. Entirely too many students come to the cashier and require her, ironically, to the chagrin of some students, to engage in "twenty questions." consider the following dialogue.

Student: (to cashier) "I'm having a hamburger and Pepsi."

Cashier: (ready to ring up sale) "Are you having cheese?"

Student: "Yes."

Cashier: "That's a cheesebur-

ger. Are you having lettuce and tomato?"

Student: (a little irritated) "Yes."

Cashier: "That's extra," (and rings it up). "What size Pepsi?"

Student: "Large."

Cashier: "Are you having fries?"

Student: "No."

Cashier: "Thank you," and rings up the sale.

This exercise is frustrating for both the cashier and the student and is certainly time consuming, backing up the line. However, the alternative (the standard accepted procedure), which we probably should be doing, would cause even more of a backup, only it would be at the sandwich board, rather than the cash register.

The problem of overcrowdedness and long lines would be compounded. We will try to avoid this; however, students must do a better job of informing the cashier of all items that require extra charge.

The second item is of an even more serious nature. Again, because of our Honor System, we have allowed members of the university community who "forget" their money to come back and pay later. In the past students used to at least inform the cashier

that they had forgotten their money, tell her what they received and give their name.

We have the impression now that some students genuinely do not believe they have to have money when they come to the Snack Bar. Because of the Honor System they believe that they can take their food and leave and come back and pay at some time convenient to them. This is not the policy. Our liberal policy is being abused entirely too often.

The policy is this: Any person wishing to make a purchase in the Snack Bar must pay for his/her food then and there. When a situation occurs when a member of the W&L community finds that, upon approaching the cashier, he/she does not have his/her wallet/money, he/she may leave their name with the cashier along with the amount of purchase. The person must then return within 24 hours to settle the account.

At no time should anyone walk out of the Snack Bar "without paying." That is an abuse of the Honor System. I invite anyone who has any questions about this matter to visit me in my office at Evans Hall.

Sincerely,
Jerry Darrell, Director
Dining Services

Student: editorial was irresponsible

To the Editor:

You were terribly irresponsible to publish the "Stocking stuffers" editorial in the Dec. 3 issue. Though presumably an effort at humor, the piece was bigoted, malicious, and misinformed.

The author's reference to "the Hanukkah bunny" shows a blatant disregard for the Jewish tradition. I personally found it offensive, and I was horrified to think that Jewish students and professors would see their religion mocked in the university's newspaper.

There is simply no excuse for the editorial's cynicism thinly disguised as "gifts." University administrators and local officials aside, why was the author compelled to make petty attacks on the members of the Executive Committee? These representatives serve Washington and Lee openly and diligently. It is all too easy, and immature, for the author to criticize his schoolmates anonymously.

Finally, the author may characterize Lexington as a "sea of prosperity," but the fact remains that the town is situated in Virginia's poorest county. Please realize that The Ring-tum Phi represents all of the Washington and Lee community. In this "season of giving," don't lead the rest of Lexington to believe that we are all bigoted, snobbish brats. Don't embarrass us by publishing another piece like "Stocking stuffers" again.

Sincerely,
Cameron Howell '94

Common Ground issue offends reader

To the Editor:

When the Emperor Constantine imprudently handed civilization over to the Christian church, the Lamb's followers quickly proved themselves the most vicious and intolerant group of ideologues the world has ever seen. ("Not even the wild beasts of the field are as savage to one another as the Christians," remarked one 4th-century observer, with a certain awe.) In the centuries since (depressing ones, mostly) Christianity has authorized more carnage and suffering than any

other force in Western life. While this growth-oriented religion has never been without its humane and intelligent exponents—notably its namesake—and subscribers, the primitive, brutal and intolerant have generally prevailed. True to this heritage, the bumbler who give us W&L's Common Ground magazine have just seen fit to mark their Savior's birth with an issue devoted to fag-bashing.

This free-for-all reveals not much more stupidity and illogic than we usually get from the Christian Right, but it

does contain one particularly irresponsible piece of misinformation. Of the recently voted-on Ballot Measure 9 in Oregon, Common Ground says that "[w]hat was actually proposed was" no more than an innocent "statutory definition of homosexuality as an act rather than a trait." This mild and sane proposition, whined the Christian Bumpers, has been sneakily and unfairly "attacked as an 'anti-gay law' or even 'anti gay-rights law,' as if the rights of homosexuals were to be restricted.

In fact, this harmless proposed

amendment to the state constitution would, in its own words, declare homosexuality "abnormal, wrong, unnatural, and perverse." It threatened to make same-sex parenting illegal, prohibit queer schoolteachers, and strip homosexuals of state business licenses. No restriction of anyone's rights there.

Merry Christmas, Common Ground, and to your view of the world, a good night.

As ever,
Niall MacKenzie '93

City Manager defends car tax

To the Editor:

I certainly regret that I did not read your Nov. 19 editorial concerning the personal property tax until it appeared in the News Gazette. I would have preferred to respond in a more timely fashion to an issue you seem to place on equal footing with the slumbering economy, our nation's health care crisis and the role of the United States in the post-Cold War world.

Let me first state what I consider to be two indisputable facts: 1) nobody likes to pay taxes (though most people accept them as a necessary evil); and 2) as you stated in your editorial, the only reason the city is collecting the property tax (from anyone) is for the dollars. It does take money to provide governmental services from which society benefits. Local governments are constantly being squeezed by the Federal and State governments which are trying to meet their basic needs by cutting local funds and, at the same time, passing on exceptionally costly mandates. These mandates on top of other normal local government responsibilities like public safety, transportation, sanitation, and education all require tax dollars to provide. Taxes that should be paid by all.

Your editorial suggests that students shouldn't have to pay a personal property tax if they bring a car to school with them. You fail to give a reason, however, as to why students should be exempt. And if they are exempt from this tax, what about other state and local taxes that you pay? If you are from out-of-state and take a part-time job while in school, do you not pay Virginia's income tax? When you purchase an item, do you not pay state sales tax? I know I do when I am out-of-state. In some situations, we even have parents of students purchase a house for the student to use while they are in school. Would you claim that they should not be subject to our real estate tax? So far I have not heard a hue and cry about students paying these taxes.

You also seem to think that President Wilson should be vilified for endorsing a policy of cooperation with the city and making contributions to support the city. On the contrary, he and the other leadership at W&L should be commended for having the foresight to recognize that a financially healthy government that supplies quality services is

important to W&L, its students, staff, and alumni. The city is very appreciative of not only this financial commitment, but even more, the larger commitment he has made to encourage the entire institution to become an integral component of our community.

In addition to the annual contribution, the university has been very supportive in requests for specific contributions that the city has made; however, let's not give the impression that these come anywhere close to the real estate tax the school would pay if it were not tax-exempt. In FY1992-93, if there were no exemption, W&L's tax bill would amount to over \$993,000. To put this in perspective, if both W&L and VMI had to pay real estate taxes, the city could still support its existing budget if it eliminated the personal property tax and reduced the real estate tax rate from 96 cents to 64 cents. I am in no way advocating any change in existing tax exemptions. My only intent is to show the financial impact on the city of existing tax policy.

If the real problem you face are "hassles" with your home locality, the answer is to allow us to better educate your parents of this responsibility and to assist us in getting bills out in a timely manner. Because of the difficulty in finding as many of the vehicles as possible, the tax bills tend to be sent out later than they should. This causes confusion with other localities. Other Virginia jurisdictions are well aware of the personal property tax laws and most are cooperative when informed of the situation. The largest jurisdiction in Virginia, Fairfax County, actually states in their tax pamphlet sent out with bills that students may be billed in the school's locality.

I would contend that one of the major responsibilities of a university is to prepare the student for his/her future life. I hope that years from now you won't be able to say that you learned how to pick and choose which taxes you should pay, or methods of avoiding lawful taxes, at Washington and Lee. Let's put this issue behind us and get on with solving real problems.

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'Patriotism' threatens democracy

MY VIEW

By Brian Carpenter, '94

Throughout the 1980s, creeping socialism amidst the dripping, green jungles of Nicaragua was a prominent bogeyman of the Reagan administration. Ortega and his band of revolutionaries were perceived as a threat to our country, and the administration was vocal in its condemnation of the Sandinistas. The Reagan administration's response to the perceived threat in Nicaraguan socialism revealed a far greater threat to American democracy: Oliver North, Bill Casey, John Poindexter, Robert McFarlane, and other administration officials who considered the laws of our nation as applicable only to the "little people."

Ever-vigilant cold-warriors, the Reagan administration saw the Marxist menace everywhere. Granada was invaded to protect U.S. students and the Granadians themselves from the supposed threat of Marxism. The "success" of the Reagan administration in Granada was not matched in the case of Nicaragua. Congress continually opposed aid to the Contras in Nicaragua, and eventually made it illegal, through passage of the Boland Amendment.

Law took second place in the value system of the Reagan

administration's intelligence forces. Primary importance was placed on the elimination of communism and socialism throughout the world.

Oliver North, John Poindexter, Bill Casey and everyone else involved did not care that the law forbade it, they were going to aid the Contras anyway, for the eternal struggle against communism demanded such action. Yet here lies the fallacy of their argument. When the war against communism is used to justify violation of the laws of the United States, a far greater threat to American democracy emerges: a clique of individuals in positions of power who consider themselves above the law.

Laws must apply to every individual in this country, otherwise widespread abuse will occur by those who feel capable of avoiding the law. Government officials must be held accountable to the same strictures as the common citizen. Ideally, they should be held to higher strictures because of their ability to enact large-scale positive and negative accom-

plishments. The actions of North and his cronies are not new. American history has a long tradition of fanatical patriots who use their patriotism to justify violating laws and the Constitution.

The "Red Scare" after World War I led to the violation of individuals' civil rights, and McCarthy's hysteria of the 1950s resulted in similar deprecation of the constitution. An odd paradox emerges: those who most vocally proclaim themselves patriots are often willing to do unpatriotic things to bring about their ends.

The smug satisfaction on the face of Poindexter as he sat through the Congressional hearings, the teary-eyed martyrdom of Col. North as he appealed to patriotism, blinded Americans to what these men and their associates represented. Claiming the mantle of patriotism, these men tried to justify their violation of the law. The sad fact is, these men who thought themselves above the law pose a far greater danger to American democracy than was ever posed by the Sandinistas.

FEATURES

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

A brief review of the people and events that shaped W&L in 1992

January 9 — The Delta Tau Delta House Corporation temporarily suspends the fraternity's participation in the Fraternity Renaissance Program after vandalism to the house. The W&L library names its newly computerized catalog "Annie."



January 10 — Women's Rush begins with great hopes for the colonization of a fourth sorority, Pi Beta Phi.

January 23 — Delt officials say they will dispute the chapter's suspension. Former President of Costa Rica Oscar Arias lectures on "Security in the Post-Cold War Era."

January 24 — Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher lectures at VMI.



February 2 — Senior Class President and Student Conduct Committee Member Read Folline is charged with driving under the influence.

February 3 — The Rockbridge County grand jury indicts former VMI cadet, Chad Hudnall, on charges of rape, sodomy, grand larceny and two counts of breaking and entering.

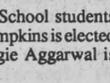
February 6 — More details are reported in the murder of journalist Todd C. Smith, '83, who was tortured and killed in Peru in 1989 while investigating drug trading.

February 15 — The Board of Trustees approves a tuition hike of 6.5 percent and the construction of an \$800,000 art gallery on the Colonnade.



February 25 — The Student Affairs Committee reduces Delt's punishment for vandalizing its house to a one-year suspension and three subsequent years of critical probation.

February 27 — Law School students sweep run-offs. Bob Tompkins is elected EC secretary and Reggie Aggarwal is elected SCC chairman.



March 2 - The W&L faculty gives the Panhellenic Council a vote on the the Student Affairs Committee but prevents students from getting majority control of the committee by adding another faculty member.

March 5 - After a six-month self-evaluation the Confidential Review Committee reveals its proposed plan that includes the statement that W&L is not bound by the First Amendment and may legally suppress student speech.

January 29 - The jurisdiction of the Confidential Review Committee and the Student Conduct Committee in sexual assault cases are among the topics discussed at a meeting with students and the CRC.

January 30 - Delt cleans up its house and is drafting an appeal of its suspension.

January 17 — The Student Affairs Committee suspends Delt from campus for five years for vandalizing its house over a 10-week period.



January 20 — This year's Founders' Day commemorates not only Robert E. Lee's birthday but the 100th anniversary of Omicron Delta Kappa's founding.

February 10 — Junior Josh McFarland is elected Executive Committee president and sophomore Ames Hutton wins the office of vice president.

February 12 — A committee of the Virginia House of Delegates shoots down a bill that would have spared students who live out-of-state from Lexington's car tax.

February 13 — Mock Convention nabs New York Gov. Mario Cuomo for keynote address.



March 27 — The theme of Fancy Dress 1992 celebrating the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' re-discovery of the Americas is "A Return Voyage to the Age of Exploration."



March 15 — Sigma Phi Epsilon's lip sync team of Stickboy and the Catwalks wins MTV's Lip Service contest in Daytona Beach, Fla.

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FEATURES

September 31 — James Keith Shillington, W&L's icon of Homecoming halftimes and professor of chemistry for 38 years, dies.

November 3 — In response to a series of fights between students and cadets, student leaders from W&L and VMI create a judicial process to hear disputes between students from the two schools. W&L students both celebrate and mourn Bill Clinton's presidential win.



September 8 — A Rockbridge County grand jury refuses to indict former W&L senior Richard Hughes on attempted rape charges.



September 10 — After a circuit-court order in May upholds City Registrar Lucille Joyce's refusal to register second-year law student Chris Kowalcuk to vote in Virginia, Kowalcuk files his intent to appeal to the Virginia Supreme Court.

October 15 — Phi Delta Theta's house corporation suspends all chapter functions for the remainder of fall term to punish the chapter for damage done to their house during Homecoming weekend. Kappa Alpha national corporation places the W&L chapter on social probation for the rest of fall term for violating alcohol policy during Tear Weekend.

November 9 — IFC President Sam Rock says the IFC should start enforcing the guest list and "bring your own beer" policies written in the IFC constitution.

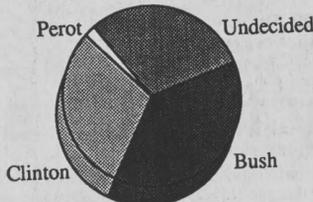
November 19 — A Princeton Review survey says W&L has the most popular fraternity system in the nation.

September 15 — Men's Rush kicks off with 93 percent of first-year men signing up.

September 17 — A Washington and Lee chapter of The Gay and Lesbian Alliance, open to students and alumni, is established. Former W&L student Charles Blakely Comer, who was convicted for the hit-and-run death of student Ashley Scarborough, could return to jail for a DUI charge in Georgia.



October 29 — As election day looms closer, 38 percent of the student body surveyed back George Bush, 30 percent support Bill Clinton and 30 percent said they were undecided.



October 6 — The SCC votes to permanently dismiss senior Marcus Lamar Miller from W&L after finding him guilty of harassment, trespassing and ungentlemanly conduct.

October 1 — Comer is ordered to serve the four and a half years remaining on his original five-year sentence for involuntary manslaughter and hit and run.

November 12 — Phi Delta Theta's kitchen doors remain closed for the rest of the semester, despite a plea by Phi Delt parents to reconsider the punishment by the fraternity house corporation.

November 21 — Former W&L economics professor E. Claybrook Griffith dies.

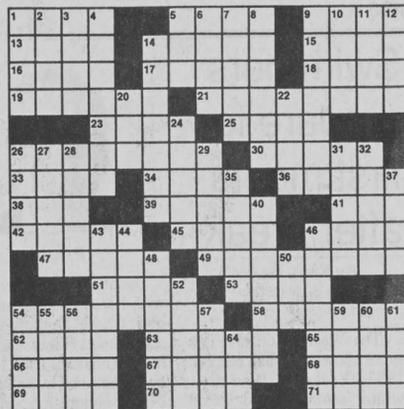
December 1 — A team of movie producers scout W&L as a possible location for the film version of a novel based on the experiences of an exchange student at W&L, *The Foreign Student* by Phillippe Labro.

December 2 — John Sbar, '91, returns to W&L to autograph copies of his book, *The Undergraduate Almanac*.



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 1 Air hazard
 5 Cry of woe
 9 Singing voice
 13 Brave man
 14 Candied
 15 Peruse
 16 Vicinity
 17 Extreme
 18 Group of musicians
 19 Net fabrics
 21 Servings of food
 23 The Orient
 25 Chair
 26 Movie houses
 30 Reverie
 33 Unite with heat
 34 Diplomacy
 36 Test
 38 Dial word
 39 Talent hunter
 41 Snow glider
 42 Agitates
 45 Musical sound
 46 Snow vehicle
 47 Scornful smile
 49 Some baseball players
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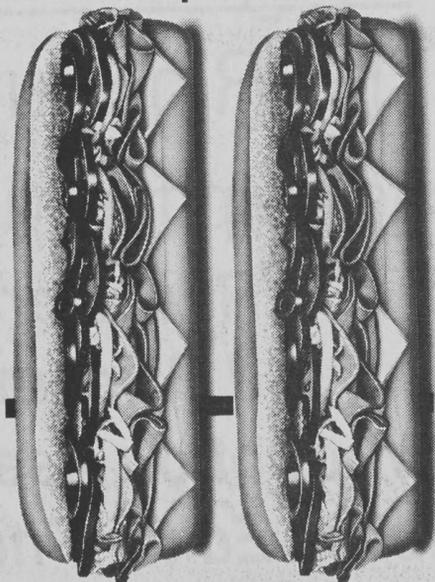
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Swimmers prepare for first meets after break

By KEITH GRANT
Phi Staff Writer

The Washington and Lee swim teams have had parallel 1992-93 seasons. Both enter winter semester undefeated and both kick it off with a meet on Saturday versus Catholic University.

In addition, both coaches feel confident about their teams' chances Saturday.

"We should do well against Catholic. They're about our size," said women's coach Kristin Jacobs.

Jacobs' squad dominated their first two meets of the season, but she is concerned that there are only eight women on the team. Catholic, though, only has 11, so Jacobs doesn't think the numbers will be a factor for this meet.

Men's coach Page Remillard is hoping his team remembers last year's loss to Catholic.

"We didn't respond like we usually do," Remillard said about last year's meet with Catholic.

"We're hoping to put up the competitive effort we're capable of putting up. There's a lot of competitiveness on this team. Every day is like the ninth inning and all of these guys want to be the pitcher."



Prince

Jacobs is also very happy with her team. Although senior Claire Dudley, sophomore Susan Fisher, and freshman Rebekah Prince have been dominant in their events, every swimmer has performed up to expectations, she said.

"We're doing great with such a small team, but our numbers will probably hurt us against Georgetown," which has a much larger team than the Generals, Jacobs said.

The women are in a very similar situation to last year, when the Generals nearly swept the ODACTournament but couldn't manage enough points to beat all of the larger schools.

"We can probably walk in and win most of the events, but the outcome will depend upon how the other schools score against each other," said Jacobs.

Remillard is pleased with his 3-0 team, but remain cautious about Saturday.

"It'll be our first test in a month," he said. "Some of the guys are going in with strong training, some missed it, some are coming off of injuries."

Remillard said who wins will depend upon how each can cover their weakness.

"We don't like losing and so far we haven't."

Generals fall just short, 72-71

By SEAN O'ROURKE
Phi Sports Editor

The best way to characterize the Generals' basketball season so far is by using the Coney Island Cyclone.

You know the Cyclone—the world's most famous roller coaster. Well, the Generals have been following that kind of trip nine games into the season.

W&L started off the 1992-93 season on fire. They were 3-1 after a long and draining road trip, and it seemed the team was going to prove many of their doubters wrong.

But the team has hit one of those nasty drops with the wicked turn. The Generals dropped four straight and then faced a month-long hiatus. Not what a struggling team needs.

But head coach Verne Canfield has seen the month-long break before and he knows how to handle it.

Canfield worked his team hard to get back the lost conditioning and was confident they were ready for the Millsaps Majors

last night.

W&L started out strong, taking an early seven-point lead against the Majors, but could not sustain the effort and fell 72-71.

"[We played] exactly like a team off for a month," said Canfield. "We seemed fatigued: mentally, emotionally and physically. We did things we usually never do."

What the game basically came down to was free throws. The Generals finished 4-for-12 from the charity stripe, while Millsaps went 17-for-19, going 15-for-15 in the second half.

But Canfield felt the lay-off also hurt the team chemistry.

"We didn't show any team chemistry. There were never five guys playing together," Canfield said.

It lack of the team playing together was evident late when the Generals tried to come from behind but had a difficult time getting their offense together. They just never seemed to be in unison.

The roller coaster doesn't get any tamer with Roanoke College storming into Warner Center on



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W&L's Bryan Watkins (22) drives to the hole against Millsaps' Brent Wilson. Even though he didn't start, Watkins finished with 20 points, helped by a 5-for-9 performance from outside the 3-point arc.

Saturday. The Maroons walloped Millsaps less than week ago, 108-71.

Maroons.

"They are one of the two best teams in the ODACT. They are a very good basketball team, so we are going to have to find some-

thing in the 'intangible' area," Canfield said.

"If they can beat us by 40 they're going to try for 50. We have to come ready to play."

Wrestlers ready for the second-season

By MARK SAPPENFIELD
Phi Staff Writer

The Washington and Lee wrestling team now has a clearer understanding of the challenges before them in 1993.

However, despite the young team's talent, the year will most likely be a test of the team's resolve and patience.

W&L had to forfeit four weight classes

in their meet with Newport News Apprentice, and it followed that the team was soundly defeated, 52-6.

"It wasn't an eventful day for the Generals," head coach Gary Franke said.

The Generals will continue to forfeit these matches in each meet for the remainder of the season. Franke has no bodies to wrestle at the 118, 177, 190 and heavyweight weight classes.

Fortunately, freshman Owen Smith and sophomore Adam Williams have returned from injuries which kept them out of the previous two matches.

Rob Sands distinguished himself by placing sixth at the season-opening Lebanon Valley Invitational. Sands was the only General to place in the Invitational.

Even though W&L will only compete in six of the ten weight classes, Franke

looks for his team to be competitive at the weights they do compete in.

"We've seen some nice things [and even without the four forfeits] we should have been more competitive in the Lebanon Valley Tournament than we were."

The Generals will have a chance to show their entire line-up at this Sunday's meet in the Warner Center against Davidson.

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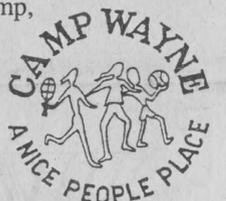
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