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## Petition calls for women's center

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
Phi Contributing Writer

Washington and Lee women want a place to call their own. A petition addressed to Dean of Students David Howison asks that one of two soon-to-be-vacated fraternity houses be reserved for future use as a women's center. Sigma Chi and Sigma Phi Epsilon will move to Davidson Park.

Women's Forum President Shannon Comer said she has gotten about 400 signatures since she began to circulate the petition Monday.

"As things are now, there is no place for women to meet that is exclusively ours," the petition says. "Even the Arlington Women's Center is often occupied by groups other than women. Males on this campus have 16 beautiful fraternity houses."

"Nothing's been decided on the use of these houses," Howison said. "I have recommended that the Sigma Chi house be used as an administrative facility for students. I think the Sig Epsilon property should be sold. It would be great as a bed and breakfast."

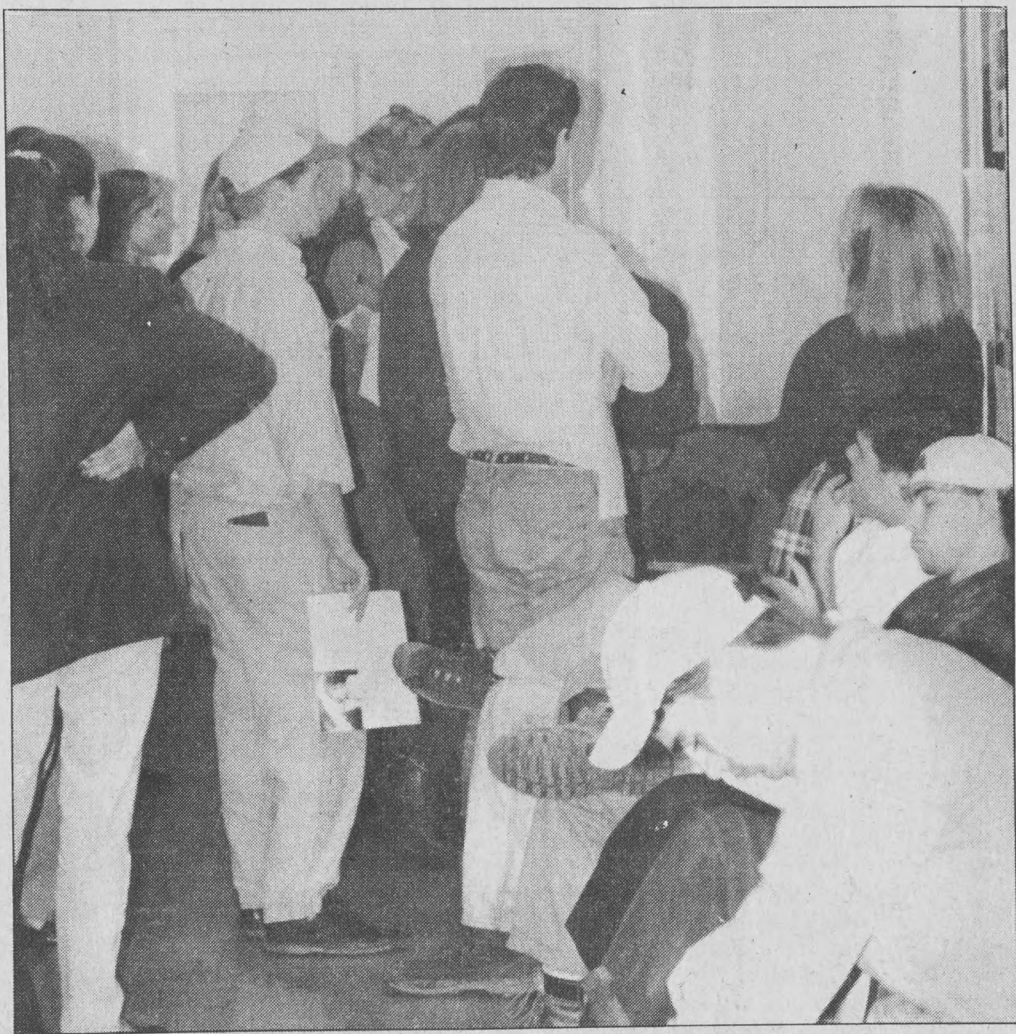


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## Waiting for fame and fortune

Cathargo Films said about 500 people turned out for a casting call Wednesday for extra roles in the film version of "The Foreign Student." Cathargo is seeking extras for crowd shots, and some of the extras will be paid. Under a gag rule, Cathargo staff would not talk about any specific roles. Filming in Lexington for the movie will begin on May 3. Most of the movie will be shot in Richmond.

## IFC proposal says later Rush, no caps

By FAITH TRUMAN  
Phi Staff Writer

The IFC will present its recommendations to revise men's Rush to the Student Affairs Committee this week.

The Interfraternity Council proposal does not include a quota system or cap on pledge class sizes, but it does set a new time for Rush.

It also includes a way to restrict communal sources of alcohol in the first two weekends of the school year, which would be open contact for freshmen.

The open discussion began with a heated debate on the possibility of limiting pledge class sizes.

"I'm totally opposed to a cap," Phi Delta Theta junior Billy Guice said. "The IFC doesn't have the right to tell you how many guys you can take. I wouldn't want to give up someone I wanted for the sake of another fraternity."

IFC President Sam Rock offered support for caps.

"It would relax people, and they could have some assurance that a house wouldn't take 30 or 40 guys, draining another house of five or six guys," Rock said.

Rock also stressed that a cap system would encourage freshmen to look more carefully at a

wider variety of houses.

But caps met much more opposition than support.

"If a house doesn't put enough effort in to have a good Rush it's their fault," sophomore Phi Gamma Delta Paul Wright said. "We shouldn't penalize a fraternity for putting on a great Rush."

A majority of the IFC members voted not to include caps in the proposal.

Rock said SAC will not add caps to the proposal without IFC approval.

"SAC will not try to impose anything. [Caps] weren't something they suggested," IFC Vice President Tom Washmon said. "We brought [caps] up to hear what you wanted to say. If you oppose it, that's it."

The council voted and approved a new Rush schedule. Formal Rush would begin on the second Sunday of the academic school year. Nine open houses would be held the first week of Rush. The third weekend of the school year would be the only two nights of closed contact. The following week would consist of three nights of dinner parties and Tear Night on Friday.

Differing from last year, there would be two weekends of open contact after freshmen arrive but before Rush begins. IFC members expressed concern that al-

cohol would be given to the future rushees during open contact.

After some discussion, Rock proposed that IFC representatives walk around to each fraternity party to check that no rules are being broken.

"The IFC would go around to enforce the regular IFC rules: no communal source of alcohol and guest lists," Rock said.

Offenders would receive social probation.

The IFC next will address current difficulties with deferred pledgship. According to IFC rules, pledgship activities should not begin until December. But Rock said some fraternities have broken that rule.

The IFC members agreed to keep deferred pledgship.

"The IFC has made a commitment to enforce the deferred pledgship and will need to come up with a scale of fines that will be fairly severe," Rock said.

When the IFC presents its proposal to SAC, SAC will recommend changes to the IFC's proposal until they believe it is ready for a faculty vote.

The faculty meets the first Monday of each month. The faculty will have to vote on the Rush proposal because it adjusts the schedule of events, Rock said.

Rock also said that any changes could be temporary.

## Tuition to rise to \$13,100 in fall

### Clinton plans to reform student loans

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
Phi Contributing Writer

W&L students and their parents will have to dig a little deeper into their pocketbooks next year.

Tuition will increase 6.2 percent next year, raising the cost of a Washington and Lee education to \$13,100 per year, from \$12,330 per year.

The increase is necessary "in order to permit us to continue to pay faculty members and others and to keep materials current," University Treasurer Lawrence Broomall said. "Our other sources of revenue are not keeping up with the growth of the budget."

Broomall said the budget has increased 4.7 percent for next year. The extra increase in tuition gives the university room in the budget, he said.

University President John Wilson said there has been a 300 percent increase in tuition at Washington and Lee since 1983. If tuition continues increasing at the current rate, W&L will cost more than \$22,000 a year by 2003, Wilson said.

Students receiving financial aid should be covered, Wilson said. The Financial Aid department is getting a 14 percent increase in its budget next year to offset the tuition hike.

Broomall said that even with the tuition hike, W&L is still the best buy around.

"We're still \$1,800 behind the next best buy in U.S. News and World Report."

By RICHARD PELTZ  
Phi Executive Editor

President Bill Clinton's proposal to reform higher education includes student loans directly from the government and a national service program for students to pay off loans.

Clinton introduced the national service program in a speech at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J., on March 1.

The program would be similar to the GI Bill, a program by which students earn money for their education by serving in the military, Clinton said.

Under Clinton's proposal, students might work with police, senior citizens or students, on environmental projects or in neighborhood cleanup programs, he said.

Clinton emphasized the role of people rather than government in the program.

"I want it to empower young people and their communities, not to empower yet another government bureaucracy in Washington," he said.

The switch to direct lending to students from the government will plant control of student loans in Washington, where critics say bureaucracy could smother the program.

The Consumer Bankers Association, which says it represents about 700 banks, including most of the student lenders, says student loan programs could suffer in bureaucratic hands.

"We support the call for national service," CBA Vice President of Communications Fritz Elmendorf said in an interview Monday. "We think it's unfortunate that the president wants to link that to the direct loan idea."

Elmendorf said the president's proposal would put the Department of Education in charge of disbursing student

loans and the Internal Revenue Service in charge of collecting them.

"The two issues are... whether it will work and whether the DOE has the management expertise to make it work," Elmendorf said.

He said there might also be problems with loan collection.

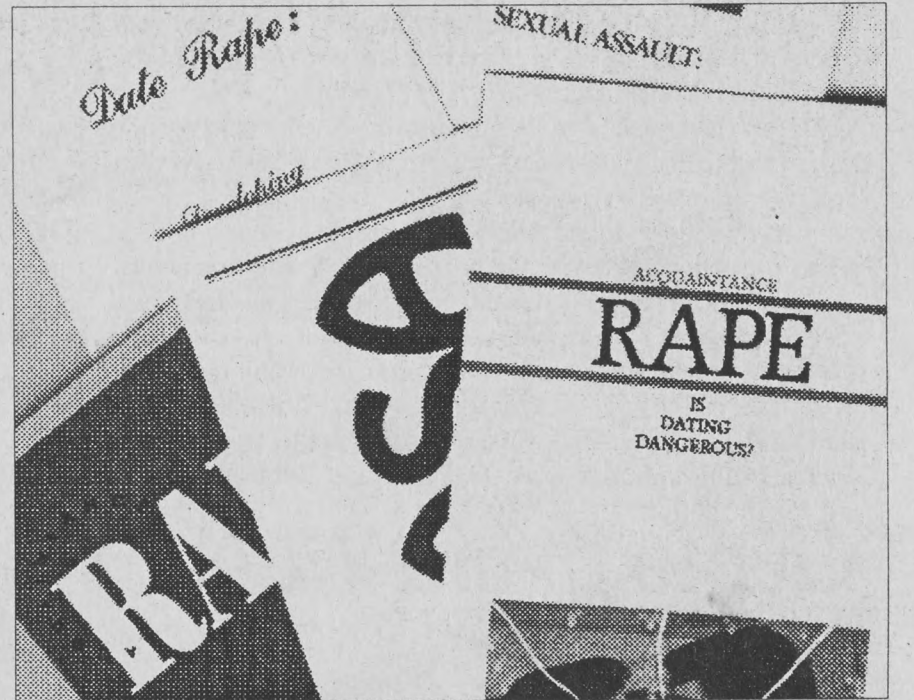
"If I were a student, I'd be concerned about having the IRS rather than a bank in charge of loan collection," Elmendorf said. "[The IRS is] not a great agency to deal with when you have a dispute."

Elmendorf said the free-market competition that exists among banks in the loan business would be absent in Clinton's plan, and service would suffer.

He said Clinton's proposal would "scrap a very good program that works."

But the president said the current system needs reform.

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Pamphlets promoting sexual assault awareness are available in the University Center. Sexual Assault Awareness Week runs March 15-21.

## Coalition promotes assault awareness

By MICHAEL HEWLETT  
Phi Staff Writer

To increase awareness of sexual assault on campus, several groups will sponsor a Sexual Assault Awareness Week March 15-21.

The Health Education Committee, Dean of Students Office, Women's Forum and Rockbridge Area Coalition Against Sexual Assault are the sponsors.

"The biggest thing we want to get accomplished is to get awareness out," said Dionne Blyden, a co-chairman for the week. "There are ways of getting help within or outside the university."

This year, Associate Dean of Students Anne Schroer-Lamont said she has counseled four W&L women for rape and two for sexual assault.

According to Dean of Students David Howison, no formal reports of sexual misconduct have been forwarded to the Student Faculty Hearing Board, which is authorized to hear sexual misconduct allegations involving W&L students. Associate Dean of Students Anece McCloud said there have been two informal reports of sexual misconduct.

Blyden said lapel ribbons have been available in the University Center and library since March 3 to heighten awareness of sexual assault. Schroer-Lamont said the ribbons have been in great demand.

Blyden said booths will be set up next week near the Co-op and the GHQ where

people can tie a ribbon for people they know who have been sexually assaulted.

Co-chairman Cara Snyder said students will also be able to express their opinions on sexual assault on quote boards set up at the ODK Circle and in the University Center near the Generals Headquarters.

Blyden said the first formal awareness program, featuring a video developed last year by W&L seniors, will be Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Gaines third-floor lounge.

On March 18 at 5 p.m., keynote speaker Ron Campbell will lead a discussion "For Men Only" in the Troubadour about changes in relationships between men and women.

Campbell, a human sexuality educator and the director of housing at George Mason University, has conducted over 200 workshops around the country and specializes in talking to men, Schroer-Lamont said.

Campbell will give a second talk entitled "Expectations" on March 18 at 8 p.m. in the Lenfest Center's Keller Theatre. On March 21 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a Speak Out in front of Lee Chapel followed by a candlelight march. Afterward, there will be a healing service for sexual assault survivors, their families and friends in Lee Chapel.

Snyder said sexual assault is a problem that needs to be addressed in a thoughtful, tasteful and reflective manner.

"We want to recognize the connection between alcohol and sexual assault," she said. "We want to raise campus consciousness."

## Speaker, ceremony celebrate information

By RICHARD WEAVER  
Phi Reader Relations Coordinator

The Ring-tum Phi is planning to commemorate Freedom of Information Day Monday with a speaker and dedication to the late Professor Clark R. Mollenhoff.

Rick Swagler, Esq., '84, will speak Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Lee Chapel on "The Fight for a Free Press: All Is Not Quiet at the Front."

Swagler, a former editor-in-chief of the Phi, is a staff attorney at the Washington-based Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and is the managing editor of its publications, including the quarterly magazine "The News Media and the Law."

The Reporters Committee provides free legal assistance to journalists to ensure "fast, full and free information and help in battling for First Amendment protections against government interference."

Also on Monday, at 3 p.m. in front of Reid Hall, the Phi will dedicate a tree in memory of Mollenhoff, formerly a professor of journalism.

Mollenhoff, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, was a staunch advocate of press

access to government documents. As a professor, he stressed thorough record research and corroboration of facts.

Mollenhoff taught at Washington and Lee from 1976 until his death in 1991. Prior to his teaching career, he was a reporter, author, syndicated columnist and presidential ombudsman.

An obituary in The Ring-tum Phi in February, 1991, called Mollenhoff a unique individual, a man possessed of a vigorous work ethic and unshakable integrity. That integrity led to his turning down a bribe from Teamsters leader Jimmy Hoffa, telling the man who controlled multi-millions of dollars in Teamsters pension funds, "You can't afford my price."

Mollenhoff had a number of distinctive classroom idiosyncracies and physical traits that helped make him unforgettable. He stood 6'4" tall and weighed in the neighborhood of 240 pounds, with a rumbling voice to match. Mollenhoff was affectionately known as "The Boomer" (though never to his face), a nickname he acquired in Washington from berating bureaucrats and politicians for corruption and duplicity. Student who came to class

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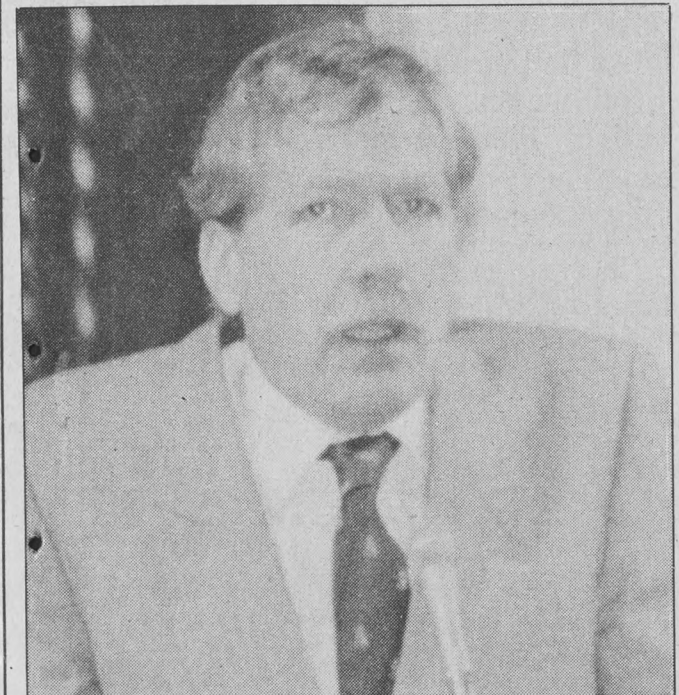


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## Wild art

Marvin C. Henberg, '70, addresses the Phi Beta Kappa Convocation Wednesday. Thirty-two seniors, seven juniors and seven members of the class of '92 were inducted into the Gamma Virginia Chapter at W&L. Henberg talked about the power of the wilderness as an influence on the American character.

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## 'I love you, you love me'

Have you been reading all this flap about Barney the Dinosaur? Parents say that big, purple Barney, who appears on PBS in the early morning, after the bars close, when only children are still awake, is too juvenile.

Hey, folks, guess what! The dinosaurs *died!* Barney is *not real!* All you kids shut your eyes — Barney is a man in a really hot, rubber suit. In fact, it's not necessarily the same man every time.

OK, kids, open your eyes again.

Kids like Barney *because* he is juvenile. *Children are juvenile.* That's where we get the word.

For God's sake, parents, if you don't like Barney, stop watching him! Sleep in! If the kids don't have to watch "MacGyver," you don't have to watch the dinosaur. After all, which would you rather your kids be doing? Singing and dancing, or building a bomb out of household cleaning agents?

Now go to your room.

## Dress safely

Good news for the Ladies Hospital Auxiliary. Bell bottoms, clompy footwear and those kind of wispy-gypsy skirts are all coming back.

We want you to know that we can see all of you from our windows in the Phi office as you go to class. We can see what you wear. And we're armed.

If any of you have the urge to wear any of these returning '70s fashions, be sure you also equip yourself with a Keflar™ vest underneath those duds. Emphasis on "duds."

And while we're on the subject of fashion, can you believe the nerve of people who wear Reeboks with their tuxes to FD? Imagine. As tactless as a newspaper editor.

What we really need is a Fashion Committee. We could have a new dean in charge of it. It would all be behind closed doors, of course, to protect the innocent victims of fashion *faux pas*. If reform were deemed possible by the committee, the person would get a second chance. Otherwise, *adiós!*

## Tax man cometh

It's that time of year again.

Remember the little birdies that packed up their little birdie luggage last fall and went south? Well, they're back.

And you have only about a month left to file your taxes. We have some tips for before you begin:

1. If you're blind, plan on reading the instructions very, very carefully. There are a lot of special breaks for blind people, but you have to read the instructions very, very carefully.
2. If you are prone to motion sickness (or if you're just prone), take a Dramamine™. You'll be going in a lot of circles and getting nowhere fast.
3. Review basic trigonometry. Nothing fancy, but you'll be asked to compute the circumference of the earth with your annual income. Scratch paper is allowed, but no watches that beep.
4. Start now. It's probably too late already. But start now. In the instructions to the 1040, you'll find estimates to the minute of how long it takes to fill out any given form (we're not making that up). First of all, who sits there with a stopwatch and figures that out? Second of all, multiply by six to find the average time for humans.

## Quote of the Week

Enter the smaller of line 3 or line 4. If under 65 and not blind, stop here.

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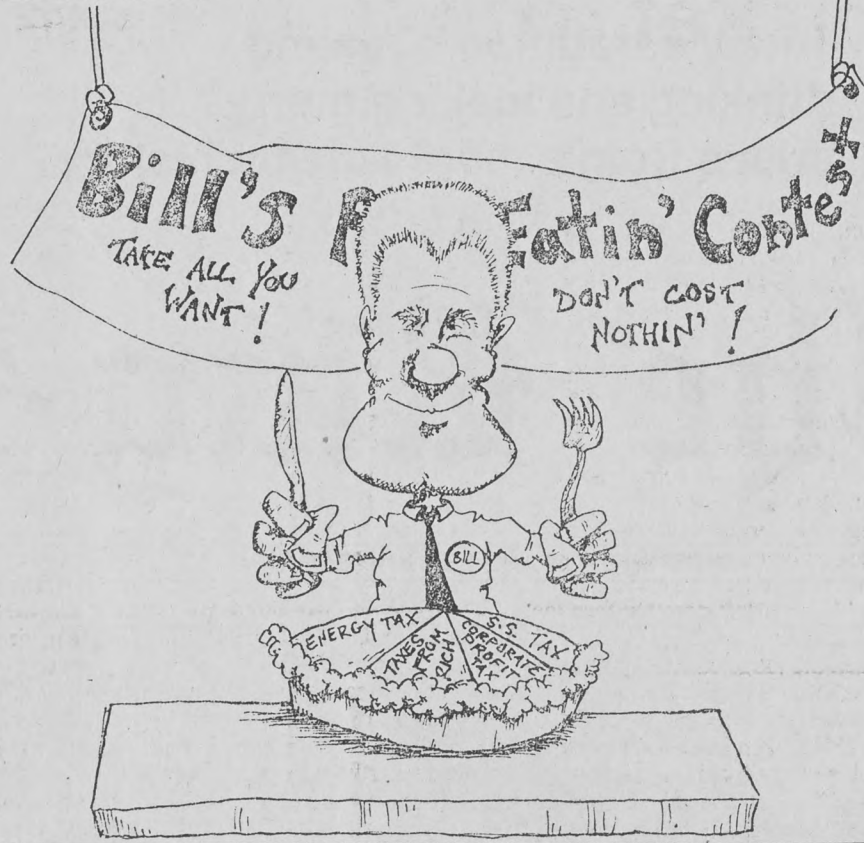
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## OPINION



## President Clinton plays the Nixon Card

WASHINGTON — Bill Clinton played the Nixon Card this week. He invited the former president to the White House, received him upstairs in the family quarters, then sat down to talk politics — Russian politics.



**CHRISTOPHER MATTHEWS**  
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Like any free trade, the exchange benefited both parties.

For Nixon, the value of that Monday evening is incalculable.

Twenty-one years after Watergate, he was back at the White House, offering his counsel to a Democratic president. Thanks to Bill Clinton, he has regained, at 80, the honor of serving his country.

The benefit to Bill Clinton is also apparent. At 47, he has spent his life learning politics, American-style. Nixon, who speaks the same language, can translate conditions in Russia with the kind of verve and color the younger man can well exploit when he meets President Yeltsin April 3.

But his meeting with Nixon was more than a tutorial. That he could have gotten over the telephone. Having the only U.S. president ever to resign his office back to the White House was a far grander gesture. It may help Clinton win Republican support

for a Russian aid program. His courteous reception of Nixon has already graced Clinton, as well as his Monday evening guest, with a magnanimity that often separates the big leaders from the small.

There are precedents.

In May of 1945, just a month after Franklin Roosevelt's death placed him in the presidency, Harry Truman invited Herbert Hoover to meet him at the White House.

For Hoover, who had been driven from office 13 years earlier and villainized thereafter as the arch-demon of the Great Depression, it was a poignant moment. For Truman, a man of guts, it was merely the right thing to do to a former president, and the right time to do it.

Truman did more than have Hoover for a visit. He asked the former president to oversee the European food relief program, a role similar to the one Hoover had played in the months after World War I. Next, he asked the former Republican chief executive to chair a commission overhauling the entire Executive Branch of government.

In 1960, Hoover returned the non-

partisan favor.

Once again, the country was in transition. John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon had just fought the closest presidential election in modern history. There was rampant bitterness about vote-stealing in Chicago, talk of throwing the presidential choice to the House of Representatives. Only one man could end the divisive chatter and make even his most ardent supporters accept the painfully close results of the prior week's election.

The man who had lost it.

This is where Hoover came in. At the request of the Democratic candidate's father, Joe Kennedy, the former Republican president called Richard Nixon to say that John Kennedy would like to meet him.

Nixon agreed, receiving Kennedy

at Key Biscayne. Over Cokes, the two chatted about the election, let the photographers take their pictures, let the country know that the election was over, the country had a new President.

This Tuesday evening at the White House, the country beheld a similar ratification. Nixon, forced to resign the office a generation ago, came to advise the first representative of the country's new generation of post-Cold War leaders. Bill Clinton, whose own wife, Hillary, served as a staff counsel to the House Judiciary Committee which voted to impeach Nixon, received him.

As in each meeting before — Truman and Hoover in 1945, Nixon and Kennedy in 1960, it was the guest who stood most to gain, but it was the host who shined brightest.

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## Chicago falls flat on educational promise

WASHINGTON — Tuesday in Chicago an emancipation may begin. A judge will decide whether to hear a suit brought by some inner city parents and children, charging that the state is failing to fulfill its education duty. The suit seeks an empowering remedy — vouchers, with a value of the pro rata share of state funds allotted to the children's education. The vouchers would be redeemable at public or private schools.



**GEORGE WILL**  
 Washington Post Writers Group

Welcome to judicial activism of the sort advocated by the Institute for Justice, a Washington group of young libertarian lawyers. Their civil rights suit for their Chicago clients charges that the children are being denied a benefit guaranteed by Illinois' constitution, and that the parents are being denied a liberty ("essential influence, control or choice over their children's education") implicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

Illinois' constitution asserts: "The state shall provide for an efficient system of high quality public educational institutions and services." No one can seriously say that is being done for Chicago's inner city students, 80 percent of whom are black or Hispanic. So, is the constitutional language justifiable or meaningless?

The average graduation rate in Chicago's public schools is 43.7 percent, 43 percentage points below the statewide average. Less than one of every three Chicago public high schools has a graduation rate above 50 percent. About 70 percent of public school students score below the national norm in a standardized test of basic skills, and substantially below statewide averages. Thirty-eight of the 64 high schools have ACT college admission test scores in the bottom 1 — yes, 1 — percent of the nation.

Chicago's bureaucratized system expends \$5,548 per pupil, about \$750 more than the statewide average, but only 56 percent of the total budget goes for classroom instruction. The parents' brief notes that private schools provide better cognitive results at less per pupil expense "in the same neighborhoods as the city's worst public schools and draw from the

same student population," and have "extensive parental involvement."

The suit's "parental liberty" claim goes like this. Children are subject to compulsory school attendance laws. Parents are subject to compulsory taxation for public schools, to which children are assigned primarily by residence. The parents in this suit, like most Chicago school parents, lack the resources to move in search of better public schools. So, given the stark inadequacies of the public schools, it is germane that the U.S. Supreme Court has invalidated state action that "unreasonably interferes with the liberty of parents . . . to direct the upbringing and education of children."

The court has also held that "providing public schools ranks at the very apex of the function of the state." But what recourse have poor inner city parents when the provision consti-

tute an educational "guarantee"? That language says "the state shall provide . . ." The Illinois Supreme Court has held that "in construing statutory provisions . . . the word 'shall' is regarded as indicative of a mandatory legislative intent." Why would that not be true of constitutional provisions as well?

Both Illinois and federal courts have exercised judicial review regarding, for example, whether public schools have provided, as required by law, "appropriate" education for disabled pupils. Therefore, the brief argues, courts can decide whether Illinois clearly is not providing "an efficient system of high quality" education. And the voucher response is within the court's remedial powers because it is analogous to the practice of ordering public payment of tuition for disabled pupils at private schools when public schools are unable to fulfill their obligations to such pupils.

The Institute has a similar suit on behalf of some residents of South-Central Los Angeles. In that city's unified school district fewer than 5 percent of schools report scores for ninth graders above the 50th percentile nationwide in standardized tests. At

two of the high schools attended by plaintiffs, scores rank in the bottom 1 or 2 percent in statewide math and reading tests. The 1990 dropout rate in Los Angeles public high schools (40.9 percent) was twice the statewide rate.

The graduation rate for inner city private schools nationwide is about 97 percent.

As in Chicago, the issue is: Can a state entirely evade judicial review of whether it is

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performing constitutional duties? A particularly pertinent question, given that about half the Chicago public school teachers with school-age children send them to private schools.

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## LETTERS

### Student denounces Contact's speaker choices

To the Editor:

The Contact committee provides Washington and Lee with a tremendous opportunity to bring thought-provoking, educational, stimulating and challenging figures to the university whose knowledge and insight can enrich our collegiate experience. Unfortunately, it seems that the current authorities on Contact are more interested in bringing trivial celebrities with

little depth or substance to offer students.

This disappointing trend hit its nadir with the visit of Dick Vitale whose inappropriate and expensive appearance was followed up this year by Rocky Bleier.

Why are we lavishing exorbitant funds to bring sports celebrities to speak at the university?

Other invitees have included right-

wing darlings Gordon Liddy and Ed Meese, men most prominent not for their vision, intelligence or contributions but for their appalling corruption. This campus is crying out for deep intellectual engagement and enlightenment and we invite, at considerable cost, sports celebrities and right-wing heroes?!

These speaker selections reflect a disturbingly unambitious outlook by

Contact authorities and are embarrassing to the University; they make Washington and Lee look like a haven for intellectual slugs!

I doubt that I am alone in finding them absolutely absurd. Perhaps more unsettling is the silence with which, until now, these poor decisions have been met.

Justin Peterson, '94

OPINION

# Spos fights ticket with 'L.A. Law' style

SPOS' SPACE  
By Tom Hespos

Hey folks! Did everybody have a good weekend? Spos sure did. I'd like to tell you the story about how I ended up double-fisting vodka and triple sec on my front porch in my bathrobe this weekend, but I don't wish to bore you. By the way, Ted Nugent says hello and promises the release of a new "Damn Yankees" album right after he lands his first grizzly bear. Don't hold your breath.

Anyway, I suppose I should get on with it and tell you about Tuesday morning's ordeal, which I will refer to as

## The Day Spos Went to Court and Kicked Ass.

It all started on January 28 of this year. I allegedly got out of bed, allegedly found out I was late for work, allegedly threw on some clothes and allegedly hopped in my trademark VW Beetle. I was allegedly in a hurry, because Officer H.N. Ferguson of the Lexington Police Department allegedly stopped me for allegedly doing 38 miles per hour in an alleged 25 mile per hour zone. (Understand that I have to use the word "alleged" in its various forms in order to avoid incriminating myself.)

Anyway, Officer Ferguson allegedly gave me a summons to appear in General District Court on March 9, 1993, to answer for my heinous crime. On my way to the courtroom on Tues-

day morning, I planned my strategy. I would stroll into the courtroom in a Corbin Bernsen-like manner and catch the Lexington justice system completely off guard by asking confusing questions in "legal-ese" and generally acting like an obnoxious Perry Mason.

As I sat in the courtroom, I felt really confident about my legal defense. Officer Ferguson had made a seemingly fatal mistake on my summons by describing Spos as a black-haired gentleman, which Spos clearly is not. (I have brown hair.) He also left the eye-color box blank, thus indicating that Spos had no eyes at the time of the alleged incidence of speeding. With Ferguson's competence as a police officer in such a state of question, Spos figured he couldn't possibly lose the case.

When the judge called my name, I strode calmly and confidently to the stand, swore my oath and pleaded not guilty. Officer Ferguson was there and he explained that Spos was speeding in front of City Hall and should be punished accordingly. He had this look in his eye like he would derive much pleasure from seeing Spos strung up and flayed with a live electric line for the unforgivable crime of speeding within city limits.

Then it was my turn. I asked the judge's permission to interrogate Officer Ferguson. Permission was granted, and Spos proceeded to grill Ferguson with regard to why he would describe me as black-haired when clearly I was not.

"Officer Ferguson," Spos asked, "How would you describe the color of my hair?"

"I'd say it's brown," he answered. I had him right where I wanted him.

"It appears that you described my hair as black in color on this summons," I said. I fully expected the judge to bang his gavel at this point and dismiss all charges. I was wrong.

I grilled Ferguson about the eyes thing, asking him why he didn't fill in the eye-color box on the summons. After all, my New York State license clearly states that I have blue eyes. Several W&L students in the back of the courtroom started to giggle. At this point, the judge knew I was reaching and cut in.

"Would you like me to fill in that information for you Mr. Hespos?" he asked.

Thus having my primary defense completely ripped apart by Judge Doofus, I had to resort to Plan B. I noticed that Officer Ferguson had failed to testify with regard to the calibration of his radar apparatus, so I immediately started bitching about it. This too, failed.

Judging from the giggles I was getting out of the rest of the people in the courtroom, I was making Ferguson look like an incompetent biscuithead, but the big guy on the bench didn't seem to notice. Legally, I wasn't getting anywhere. The judge cut in again, giving me a five-minute lecture on the great technological advances that have been made in the realm of traffic radar within

the past year. He said that they have devices that can accurately estimate the speed of a vehicle, even if the police car is traveling in the opposite direction (as was the case with Spos' alleged violation). I was unimpressed.

Just as I was about to unveil Plan C, (the famous "Ronald Reagan desperation defense" in which Spos would claim that no one could possibly remember what they were doing last January 28) the judge cut me off again. He asked me if I was aware that the road I was allegedly traveling on is designated as a 25 mph zone. Before I could answer, Judge Doofus asked me if I had been paying attention to my speedometer. "No," I responded.

The judge then exercised a well-known legal technique known as "The I'm-tired-of-listening-to-this-defendant-bitch-and-moan technique" and immediately delivered a guilty verdict. However, he was nice enough to reduce my fine from \$65 to \$46. He also plea-bargained me down to a 34 mph speeding charge, thus keeping points off of my license. I thanked him politely, even though points acquired in Virginia do not apply to my New York license.

After I paid my fine, I walked back to my car, humming the theme from "L.A. Law" and wondering if it was too late to pull up my GPA, so that I could apply to W&L Law. Immediately dismissing the thought, I hopped in the SposMobile and took off for work, knowing that a career in law is out of reach. Too bad. It's their loss.

GENERAL NOTES

## Poetry Contest

The National College Poetry Contest is open to all college and university students desiring to have their poetry anthologized. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top five poems. The deadline is March 31. For contest rules, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: International Publications, P.O. Box 44044-L, Los Angeles, CA 90044.

## AIDS

The W&L chapter of the National Lawyers' Guild is sponsoring an AIDS symposium on April 1. The event will be held from 2-6 p.m. in the Moot Courtroom of Lewis Hall, and will feature a panel discussion followed by a question and answer session with audience members. All members of the W&L community interested in the legal and social ramifications of the disease are encouraged to attend.

## Internships

For information on various summer internship opportunities please contact Professor Connelly in the C-School room 108, or at 463-8627.

## Preston Society

The Preston Society is a community service group that is dedicated to promoting better relations between W&L and VMI. The society is seeking new student members to help us in promoting our cause. We assemble at 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights in front of Lee Chapel and then walk to VMI to hold our meetings. If you are interested, please come to our next meeting, or call Tom Hespos at 464-5511. All members of the W&L/VMI community are welcome.

## Republicans

There will be a College Republicans meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Mock Con office. The topic of the evening's debate will be "Terrorism and Methods to Deal with Its Increase."

## Elections

Petitions for Executive Committee class representatives and class officers are due March 15. Elections will be March 22.

## Film Society

The W&L Film Society is pleased to announce the presentation of "Toto Le Heros" at 8:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday in the Troubadour Cinema, at the corner of Main and Henry streets. As always, there is no charge for admission, and everyone is welcome to attend.

## Lost

Lost - small brown leather key pouch made by Mark Cross. If found please call Stefanie at 463-6586. There is a reward.

## Retreat

There will be a retreat at Skylark for Washington and Lee women on March 19 and 20. For more information call 464-5681.

## Women's Forum

Women's Forum will host a discussion on "Women's Health for Lifetime," led by Dr. Jane Horton on Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Women's Center. Topics will include: nutrition, exercise, weight control, smoking, cholesterol, calcium and osteoporosis, breast cancer, reproductive health issues, etc. Everyone is welcome.

## Pub Board

The W&L Publications Board will meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in room 114 of the University Center. Attendance is mandatory.

## Write and Rub

A Turkish Bath involves much rubbing and sweating. It's nice and it breaks down decorum. Writing to the Phi only involves sweating. You'll have to provide your own rubbing.

## Vote

Class elections and a constitutional referendum will be held March 22. All students, even seniors and third-year law students may vote in the referendum.

General Notes are compiled by Matt Haar

LETTERS

## Student wants U.S. out of Bosnia

To the Editor:

"Let a people believe in government omnipotence, and they will be pretty certain to get revolutions to achieve impossibilities."

Herbert Spencer, *Social Statics*.

Five people are dead, two remain missing, and thousands lay injured in the aftermath of the most recent terrorist attack on United States soil, the World Trade Center bombing. In light of this threat to American sanctity, I offer a question free of partisan overtones and subjective or suggestive rhetoric in the following:

When does the safety and security of the American citizen outweigh the idealistic search for world political dominance?

In order to explain my opinion on the search and its possible side effects, I will use the theory of the FBI, Time, Newsweek, and U.S. officials that the bombing may have been a retaliation for the United States involvement in Bosnia.

The basis for these allegations comes from the past threats of the Serbs toward Washington in connection with our enforcement of economic blockades and the no-fly zone in Bosnia. In addition, the leader of the Serb Radical Party, Vojislav Seselj, personally vowed revenge against the United States government for declaring him a war criminal due to his involvement in the "ethnic cleansing". Finally, the March 8 episode of Newsweek explicitly states that the America's "increasing involvement in the Bosnian crisis may have made it a target for Balkan terrorism long before the trade center bombing." Specifically, the article spoke of the CIA killings in Langley, Va. The shooter claimed that he killed the agents to protest the mistreatment of fellow Muslims in Bosnia.

Now, the connection with Bosnian involvement is still under investigation, but the fact remains that the United States may be at risk or, more specifically, the American people may lose a portion, or more, of their safety and security due to a crisis in which America has no place. In my opinion, the national government needs to clearly explain its reasons for involv-

ing itself in a civil war. We have no real economic interests in Bosnia nor do we have a responsibility to protect the peace in every dissolved country. I do not recall Yugoslavia, or any European nation for that matter, coming to America during the War Between The States. They did not intervene because they knew that they had no place in an internal national struggle. The people of America are allowing a self-important national government to exercise its idealistic humanitarian prowess when it actually stands to gain nothing for its trouble.

The United States is completely alone in Bosnia, except for Turkey and the Netherlands, since the NATO members refuse to offer any planes or supplies. These countries, allied countries, see the ineffectiveness of outside involvement in a civil war, but the bleeding hearts in Washington are blinded by the possibility of political gain. Ironically, the political gain will be nominal at best, as even U.S. officials stated that the airdrops into Bosnia will really be no salvation. We cannot allow this novice administration, at least not at this early period, to become entangled in an international skirmish. While Michael Stipe of R.E.M. may want the United States to set up "help desks" in every troubled nation, the fact is that the United States does not have the money, the time, or the responsibility to intervene when it has no real interests in that nation or area.

In conclusion, I will explicitly answer the question I offered earlier in this statement. The safety and security of American citizens should always come before any idealistic search for humanitarian utopia. Economic interests and protection of U.S. citizens should far outweigh any other endeavor. In the future, I hope that government learns to limit itself and its "searches" before the public suffers dearly for its incompetence.

Paul E. Wright, '95  
Press Secretary and Spokesman, Washington and Lee College Republicans

## Republican ideals seem distorted

To the Editor:

Year of the Woman? Not at Washington and Lee — or at least, not according to the College Republicans. Their poster pondering the question: "Why are Democrats' daughters so ugly — they make Republican women look like movie stars" was, to be honest, funny. Sure, the women shown on the grainy, blurry photocopies would never make Playmate of the Year.

But if the Republicans had ventured beyond the sidewalk leading up to the library where they had placed their poster, and had actually gone inside, they would have seen an impressive and thought-provoking display on prominent women — 1992's standouts such as Susan Faludi and Dianne Feinstein, and also female leaders from the past, including Carrie Chapman Catt and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Beauties? Perhaps not. But the Democrats with the homely daughters are teaching us all a lesson. The Democrats love their daughters for characteristics beyond high cheekbones and straight turned-up noses. The Democrats value women for their contributions to society — not their ornamental appeal. I'm left wondering, do Republicans value their daughters? And, if so, why?

Pamela Patton  
Development, Prospect Researcher



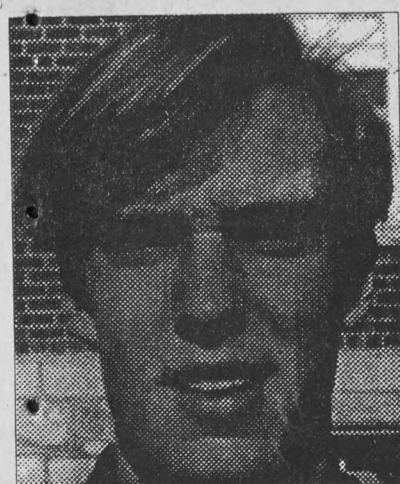
TALKBACK

## Interviews and Photos

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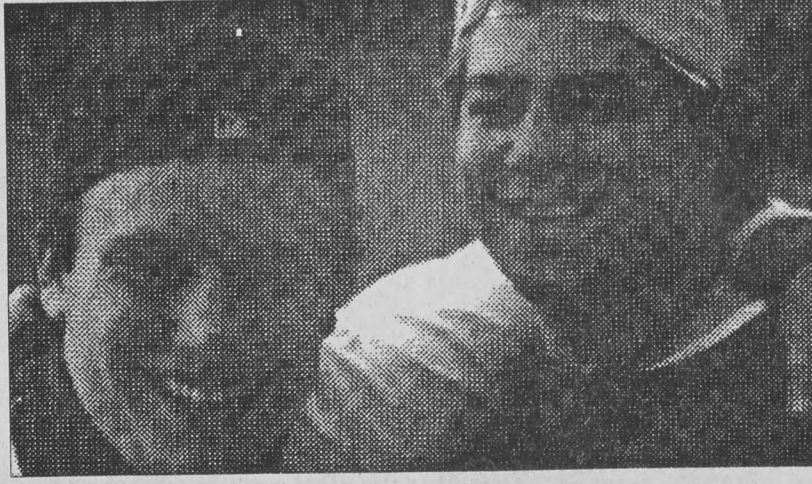
# What does Washington and Lee's fraternity system mean to you?



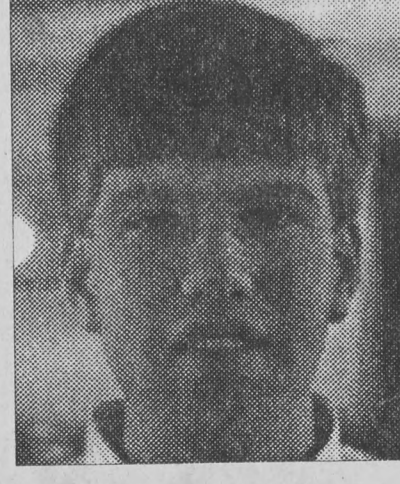
Jay Didier, '96, Inverness, Ill. — "It provides me with the opportunity to study the custodial arts."



Anna Starling, '96, Raleigh, N.C. — "On the weekends it allows me to socialize with true southern gentlemen."



Ian Falk, '95, Flemington, N.J. and Drew Denbo, '95, San Francisco, Calif. — "Chicks."



Alex Cross, '95, Phoenix, Md. — "Plenty of parking."



Richard Weaver, '96, Vero Beach, Fla. — "Beer, really great beer like Keystone and Keystone Light."

## FEATURES

A symphony of strings to perform at Lenfest

## Soloists, Soviets, strings

By KRISTA TAURINS  
Phi Staff Writer

When the orchestra for this Saturday's Concert Guild performance couldn't make it, the orchestra manager asked if Washington and Lee would accept a different group.

"The European Community Chamber Orchestra had visa trouble, so they couldn't come," said Professor Timothy Gaylard, head of the Concert Guild. "They have the same manager as the Soloists of Montpellier-Moscow, so

they're sending them instead."

Gaylard says the groups are of equal quality.

The Soloists, an ensemble founded in 1986, is made up of 20 Russian string players.

While their repertoire is traditional, their appearance is unique because most of the members stand during performances.

Last season, the Soloists performed in Great Britain, France, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Japan, Australia, Mexico and Greece.

By agreement with the city of Montpellier, the orchestra performs in and around the city each year.

Cellist Julian Lloyd Webber will solo with the Montpellier-Moscow group on Saturday.

Lloyd Webber comes from a musical family—his brother, Andrew Lloyd Webber, composed "Evita" and "Cats." His father, William Lloyd Webber,

Cellist Julian Lloyd Webber on the left and Soloists of Montpellier-Moscow below.

Publicity Photos

is a composer and professor at The Royal College of Music.

Julian Lloyd Webber won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music when he was sixteen.

The following year, composer Sir Arthur Bliss asked him to perform Bliss's own Cello Concerto at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in London, marking the beginning of Lloyd Webber's international career.

Lloyd Webber has released over 30 compact discs.

He is known for playing modern works in addition to standard cello repertoire. Soon to be released on the Philips label is a disc of Tchaikovsky's Rocco Variations and his Nocturne for Cello and Orchestra, Miaskovsky's Cello Concerto and Dmitri Shostakovich's Cello Solo.

The Soloists of Montpellier-Moscow with Julian Lloyd Webber will perform Mozart's "Divertimento" in F major, K. 138, Hadyn's Cello Concerto No. 1 in C major, Barber's "Adagio for Strings," and Tchaikovsky's "Serenade for Strings" in C major.

The concert will begin at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Lenfest Center.

A reception will follow the concert.



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The Reduced Shakespeare Company

## To be . . . or not to be

Actors perform 15-minute 'Hamlet' in an abridged repertoire

From a Lenfest Center Press Release

**WARNING** - This show is a high-speed roller coaster-type condensation of all Shakespeare's plays and is not recommended for people with heart ailments, inner ear disorders and/or people inclined to motion sickness. The Reduced Shakespeare Company cannot be held responsible for expectant mothers.

With this warning we are introduced to the Reduced Shakespeare Company, which will present "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)" at the Lenfest Center, on Tuesday and Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Keller Theatre.

The RSC presents 37 Shakespeare plays and 2,154 sonnets in just under two hours.

The performance has been described as "Shakespeare written by the Reader's Digest, acted by Monty Python and performed at the speed of the minute waltz."

The troupe combines elements of classic theatre, left wing literary analysis, punk rock sensibilities and a few World Wrestling Federation body slams.

Adam Long, Reed Martin and Jess Borgeson comprise

the RSC.

These gentlemen came together in the San Francisco Bay Area in the early 1980s and began with busking — street performing — for spare change on the weekends.

They eventually developed a 15-minute version of "Hamlet" in 1981.

After performances at a succession of festivals and Renaissance fairs, the troupe created its "Complete Works (Abridged)" for the Edinburgh Festival in 1987.

Acclaim, or perhaps notoriety, from the Edinburgh appearance sparked interest in the group.

The RSC has performed across America, in Canada, England, Scotland, Wales and for extended runs in Dublin and Melbourne.

Individual tickets for the Lenfest Series performances are on sale at the Lenfest Center box office.

The box office is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and two hours prior to any performance.

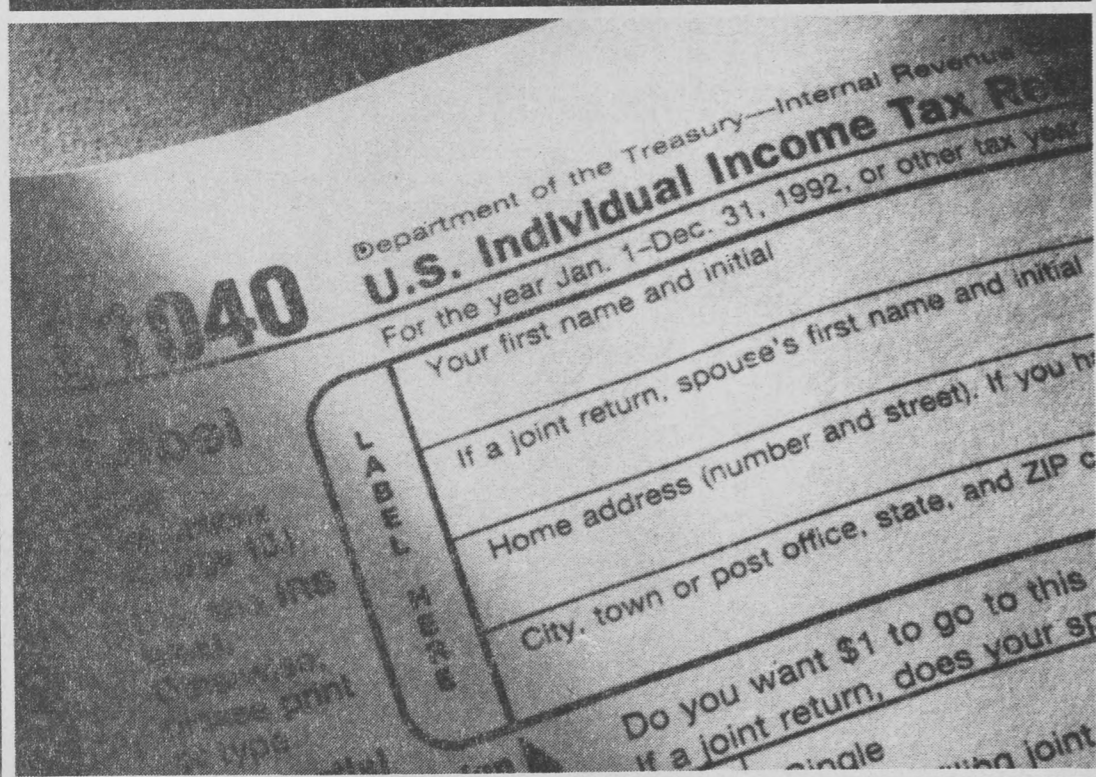
Tickets for the performance cost \$10 for adults, \$7 for senior citizens and non-W&L students and \$3 for W&L students, faculty and staff.

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FEATURES

# Eat, drink, be merry... drink some more

Today's St. Patrick's Day traditions are a far cry from the holiday's beginnings

By JEANNE BRIGGS and MATT DILLARD  
Phi Staff Writers

**T**he history of Patrick, Ireland's patron saint, is somewhat obscured by legend. He was born late in the fourth century in present day Wales, England. He was baptized Christian, but his early life was characterized by worldliness and debauchery.

At age 16, Patrick was taken captive by Irish marauders and pirates along with hundreds of young men and women from the region in which he lived. All of them were sold as slaves in Ireland.

During his six years as a slave in Ireland, Patrick experienced his spiritual awakening. In a dream, God told him how to escape from captivity. Following the instructions, he returned safely home to England.

Upon his return to England as a more spiritual man, Patrick felt a calling to go back to Ireland and share his religious beliefs with the Irish pagans. By the time of his death late in the fifth century, he had much success in converting the Irish, and Ireland was on the path to Christianity.

After leading one of the most successful missionary lives in history, Patrick died on March 17, 461. Today, he is known as the father and founder of the Church of Ireland.

The Irish have many legends surrounding their patron saint, most of which deal with his travels in Ireland after his return. The most common is the story of how he drove the snakes out of Ireland, although most historians agree that there were no snakes in Ireland at the time.

According to 16th century historian Andrew Boorde, the "snakes" were stones that had the shape and form of the animals. The Irish people claimed these rocks were snakes, but they had been turned to stone by the power of God acting through St. Patrick.

Another legend says that on March 17, St. Patrick removed the cold stone

from the stream, meaning that he turned the worn side of the stone up, ending the cold weather and allowing farmers to begin planting their crops.

The tradition of wearing green on St. Patrick's Day comes from another legend, which says that St. Patrick's followers were put in a house made of dry wood, while a Protestant's followers were put in a house of green wood, and both houses were burned. The Protestants, according to legend, were all burned to death, but St. Patrick's followers were not harmed, and wore green on St. Patrick's Day from that time on.

The identification of the shamrock with St. Patrick evolved because he used the three-leaf plant to demonstrate the Catholic doctrine of the Trinity, which says that God is the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

The Irish expression "drowning the shamrock" means to go drinking in honor of St. Patrick's Day. It was the only day during Lent when Irish Catholics were allowed to eat and drink as much as they wanted, and the tradition of drowning the shamrock has existed for over 100 years.

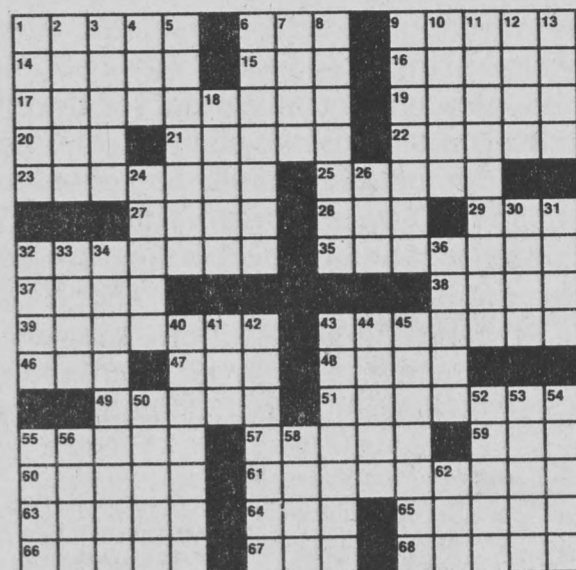
St. Patrick's Day is celebrated with much more excitement in the United States by Irish-Americans than in Ireland. In Ireland, the holiday is a religious day of church ceremonies, and the Irish do not customarily drink green beer or march in parades. But in the States, it is a much more festive occasion. Every year, one of the biggest annual parades held in New York City is on March 17, with as many as 125,000 people marching down the two-mile parade route. Held since 1762, the parade usually lasts six hours and attracts more than one million spectators.

This year locally, the St. Patrick's Day Rock Around the Block Parade will be held in Roanoke on March 17. It is a participatory parade where everyone is invited to join in. There is also a St. Patrick's Day celebration in Norfolk featuring live Irish music and dancing.



## Colonnade Crossword

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1 Analyze a sentence  
6 Drs. gp.  
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16 Shakespeare's "sprite"  
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28 Beard of grain  
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37 Certain space  
37 Ireland  
38 Self: prof.  
39 Free time  
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47 Religious lady  
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49 Cake topping  
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55 Great fear  
57 Thorny flowers  
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40 Fabled animal  
41 Baseball score  
42 Occupy the complete attention  
43 Gift  
44 Pry bar  
45 Reflexive pronoun  
50 One who quotes authority  
52 Cafe patron  
53 Bias  
54 Demi—  
55 Dog and cat  
56 "I smell —"  
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## EC proposes new amendment

**50 years ago** — The Executive Committee proposes an amendment to revise elections and change representation. Only three officers (the president, vice-president and secretary of the student body) will be chosen at elections. Other positions will be appointed.

**Five years ago** — Although W&L's Mock Convention is only two weeks away, 400-500 student delegates are still needed. There are only 1,200 delegates registered out of the 1,600-1,700 that are required, according to Brian Shaw, the public relations chairman of the convention.

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NEWS

# Phi to honor Mollenhoff

□ MOLLENHOFF, from page 1

unprepared on a regular basis soon came to empathize with the numerous politicians who had been on the business end of his earthy bellow.

One of Mollenhoff's golden rules in the classroom was that only students physically larger than him were allowed to wear hats. He liked to point out that in 15 years of teaching, only one student met the qualifications.

Mollenhoff believed in the virtue of hard work. He took pride in the fact that after graduating from college, he went to law school and played two sports there, all while working 40-hour weeks for the Des Moines Register. Keeping in the spirit of hard work, he gave extensive three-hour exams and required his students to have writing assignments prepared for each class period.

However, Mollenhoff was able to retain an understanding of the pressures on the undergraduate student, and all but the most flagrant abuses of his good faith in his students

could be forgiven by what he called the "milk of human kindness," which always seemed to flow from his heart when he calculated grades.

A classic Mollenhoff pose was one of him reclining in a chair in his office, discussing a problem in government over the phone with a U.S. senator or other prominent political figure. He kept scrapbooks filled with newspaper clippings about issues he was working on, and despite his size it appeared at times that he was going to be buried under the avalanche of information.

Mollenhoff's contributions to student growth at Washington and Lee did not stop at the doors of Reid Hall. Many non-majors who would otherwise have never even set foot in the journalism department enrolled in his classes to see for themselves what a Mollenhoff class was like.

"The Ring-tum Phi wanted to honor the memory of an outstanding contributor to our community and to journalism at Washington and Lee," Phi Executive Editor Cathryn Lopiccolo said. "Professor Mollenhoff left a lasting impression on everyone who met him."

# Clinton plans to reform loans

□ LOANS, from page 1

Clinton said the current student loan system encourages graduates to take jobs in which they will make more money to pay back their loans sooner, but said it encourages them to contribute less to society than they might with a lower-paying job.

"So what we seek to do is to enable the American students to borrow the money they need for college and pay it back as a small percentage of their own income over time," Clinton said.

Elmendorf said Clinton proposes to finance the national service program

with savings generated by the switch to direct student loans. Unlike banks, the government would not have a profit margin.

But that could fail, Elmendorf said, if the government has to spend more money on loan administration than the competitive banks spend.

CBA cites a report from a research division of the Library of Congress that says direct student loans could cost the government more than the loans cost banks if the government cannot match private-sector efficiency.

Washington and Lee Director of Financial Aid John DeCourcy said CBA wants to fight direct student loans be-

cause the banks make money from the loan system.

"They've got a guaranteed loan," he said. "They can't go wrong with it."

But DeCourcy agreed with CBA's skepticism of efficient government management and said loan management could turn into a bureaucratic monster.

"Here we've got the government," DeCourcy said. "Ten years down the road, we've got this incredible morass."

DeCourcy also said that if direct student loans fail, the banks might not invest the money in people and processes to get back in the business.

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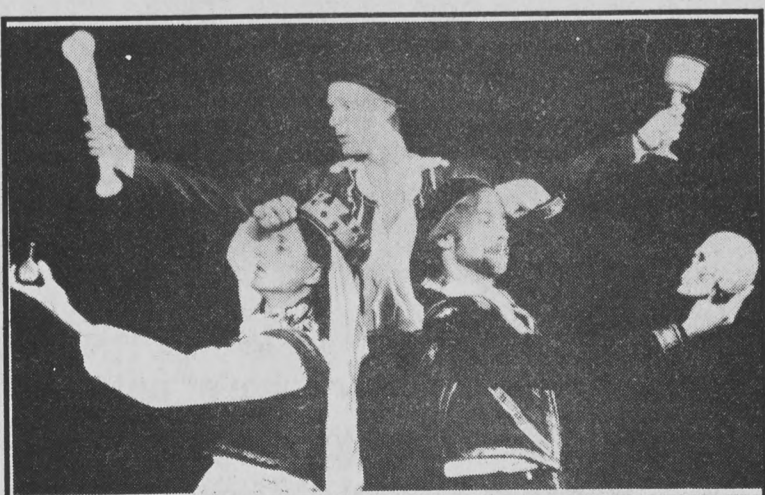
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# The Ring-tum Phi SPORTS

**This Week:**

Base- at R-MC(2) 3/13  
 MLax- Roanoke 3/13 2pm  
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 MTen- Nazareth 3/12 3pm  
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## Lax teams scorch foes; big tests Saturday

Photo by Jameson Leonardi, *The Ring-tum Phi*

Look at the goalie, actually between the 7 and 6. That little white blob is Lisa Dowling's shot that flew past the Bridgewater goalie. It was a familiar sight for the Eagles net-minder. Dowling scored six goals and assisted on three others. Her nine total points was a new school record for points in a single game.

### SPORTS NOTEBOOK

The Washington and Lee baseball team is a perfect example of a paradoxical team.

The Generals have three home runs in their first two games. That's half the total of all of 1992.

However, the team has only managed to bring five runners across home plate, while giving up 12.

W&L ran into another stone wall Tuesday, losing to Bridgewater, 8-3.

Freshman Graig Fantuzzi retired 12 of the first 13 batters he faced and took a no-hitter into the fifth.

That's where the Eagles ambushed him. They scored six runs on five hits, with two walks and

one hit batter.

The Generals did excellent individual performances at the plate from Geren Steiner and Jon Hesse. Steiner finished his first college baseball game 3-for-4.

Meanwhile, Hesse continued to swing a strong bat in his final season, going 2-for-5, both hits doubles.

Fantuzzi has both of the Generals losses, but his performances have shown he has a great deal of promise.

The Generals go to Randolph-Macon for a doubleheader on Saturday.

The W&L women's tennis team finally got their spring season underway, pummeling ODAC rival Randolph-Macon,

5-2.

The team now has the difficult task of playing six matches in nine days, ending with top-ranked Kenyon College.

Senior Claire Dudley and freshman Rebekah Prince are in their final preparations for their trip to the Division III National meet.

Both are competing in three events. Prince is seeded sixth in the 200-backstroke, ninth in the 100-backstroke and 20th in the 200-IM.

Dudley claimed the 18th seed in the 200-breaststroke, 20th in the 100-breaststroke and 36th in the 50-freestyle.

The meet is this weekend at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

By SEAN O'ROURKE  
*Phi Sports Editor*

What image do you get when you read, "I've fallen and I can't get up"?

Answer: a little old lady who couldn't act her way out of the bathtub she's laying against. Well, I present you with a new image for that most infamous phrase.

The opponents of the Washington and Lee men's and women's lacrosse teams. If it was in vogue to say the Generals slaughtered their foes, I would.

It has been a fun year thus far for men's head coach Jim (don't call me Vince) Stagnitta. He has arguably the strongest team of his tenure, and he has them psyched and ready to play hard-nosed lacrosse. The team's first two wins have also developed a winning attitude on the team.

"Obviously they [the two wins] boost our confidence," Stagnitta said. "They show we have the ability to play with the better teams and win."

W&L dispatched Randolph-Macon last week. This week brought the 13th-ranked Franklin & Marshall Diplomats, and try as they might, F&M couldn't negotiate the Generals' mines on Wilson Field and went home losers, 13-7.

"Kids deserve a lot of credit for keeping their composure," Stagnitta said, "they did a great job of that."

Wiemi Douguilh [the second-best name in all of sports behind Zarry Zalapsky] has been the spark plug for the W&L offense in the early stages of this season.

Douguilh opened the 1993 campaign with four goals and four assists against Randolph-Macon. He followed that stellar performance with another one against the Diplomats.

Douguilh tallied three goals and two assists. The senior attackman finished 1992 with 33 points (25 goals, 8 assists). He is now on a pace to obliterate all W&L single-season records with seven goals and six assists in just his first two games.

Joining Douguilh on the Generals' first two scoring binges are senior David Lefkowitz and sophomore Scott Mackley.

Lefkowitz is trying to make his final around with the Generals his best, picking up six goals and an assist in the first two contests.

Mackley has been a welcomed addition/returnee. Mackley missed all of last season with a knee injury, but has proved the wait was worth it, tying Lefkowitz for second on the team with six goals of his own and one assist.

The road gets real tough real fast for W&L as they welcome the third-ranked Roanoke Maroons to Wilson Field this Saturday. The winner of this game has the inside track to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference title. The past three seasons, the winner of this game went on to take the crown.

For senior defender Josh Levinson, this game comes down to who wants it more.

"[A key to the game is] we have to pick up more ground balls than they do. That's all hustle, heart and desire," Levinson said. "We have to control the ball better than we have if we want to win."

Women's head coach Janine Hathorn has enjoyed the same success as her counterpart.

In the first two games for W&L, they have outscored their opponents 38-9.

The Generals opened 1993 by—what's in vogue now?—embarrassing their first two foes. The Quakers of Guilford fell easily. Next came the Eagles of Bridgewater on

Wednesday afternoon.

Under gray clouds and falling temperatures the Generals kept the scoreboard operator's fingers warm once again by compiling 18 goals, while only relinquishing three.

At Guilford, sophomore Nicole Ripken led the team. At home against the Eagles, it was senior Lisa Dowling's turn to demonstrate her considerable offensive skills.

Dowling set a new school record for most points in a single game. She scored six goals and added three assists. The old record was eight, held by three different players. Dowling also added to her school-record total for assists. She passed Kimberly Bishop against Guilford with her one assist.

This performance even pleased Hathorn. "[The team played] very well, they came out very ready to play," Hathorn said. "It was a very balanced effort."

Ripken chipped in four goals, sophomore Lindsay Coleman had three, senior Paige Henke and junior Angie Carrington each added two and Meredith Long scored her first. Just to get some sort of perspective on this cremation, the Generals outshot the Eagles 44-12.

But these easy victories do cause Hathorn some problems, especially when it comes to the team becoming overconfident.

"I'm a little bit concerned about the team becoming satisfied. I don't want them to feel satisfied about what they have done so far," Hathorn said. "It is something to really look out for."

Another something to look out for is the team's next contest against powerhouse Salisbury State on Saturday. It will be the team's first real test, and will prepare them for the major showdown with ODAC rival Roanoke next Thursday.

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### Ahoy, mate!

A United States Naval Academy runner makes it safely back to first. The men from Annapolis visited Lexington to scrimmage the Generals on Wednesday.

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