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## Rumpshakers miss chance at stardom

By MOLLY APTER  
Phi Staff Writer

Two free nights at a Daytona Beach, Fla., hotel, \$300 in spending money and the chance to be on national television. Sounds too good to be true.

For the Rumpshakers, winners of the Washington and Lee Rock-a-Like Lip Sync contest in January, it was.

After being asked to come to Florida to perform their act on MTV, the six students could not find a ride and had to forgo their 15 minutes of fame.

Group member Maurice Cole, a junior, said a representative from MTV called him March 5 and asked if the group could get to Daytona March 12.

Cole, senior Robyn Gabriel, junior Nikki Mayfield, and freshmen Jack Thorn, Colleen Thompson and Kyna Bryant, the members of the group, were ecstatic.

But a lack of transportation kept the Rumpshakers out of the spotlight. Plane tickets were too expensive, and Cole said the group could not find a company that would rent cars to someone under 25.

Dean of Students David Howison tried to get the group a university-owned van for the trip, Cole said. But on Tuesday he told Cole that the van could not make it to Florida.

Cole scrambled to find an alternative, but said he began to realize the trip's effects on his classes.

"My academic work wasn't getting done," Cole said. "I talked with the group and let them know that I didn't want to go."

The group had to call MTV and cancel the appearance.

The contest will begin airing tonight on MTV.



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## Supersnow

Sophomore Hugh Robinson cavorts in the snow with a couple of canine companions. Last weekend's storm delivered 17 inches of snow and 32 mph winds to Lexington.

## 43 students vie for class offices

Constitutional revisions go to vote

By FRANCESCA KEFALAS  
Phi Staff Writer

The student body will have to wade through 43 candidates for class officers and Executive Committee representatives and a constitutional referendum Monday.

The constitutional revisions were proposed by The Ring-tum Phi Executive Editors Cathryn Lopiccolo and Richard Peltz in an effort to bring the constitution up to date with current student government practices. The EC voted to send the amendments to a referendum.

"Right now the student government is essentially functioning without a constitution," Peltz said. "That leaves the EC unaccountable to its constituency."

EC President Josh MacFarland said he supports the amendments and hopes enough students vote to pass them.

"[The amendments] will clean up the process," MacFarland said. "There are a lot of things [in the amendments] we already do, but aren't in the constitution."

For the amendments to pass, half of the student body must vote in the referendum, and two-thirds of the voters must approve.

Students will have the opportunity to vote yes for all the amendments by marking a single box, or to vote for each amendment separately. Seniors may vote in the constitutional referendum.

MacFarland and John Refo, Voting Regulations Board chairman, said the num-

ber of candidates for the class elections is tremendous.

Forty-three rising seniors, juniors and sophomores are running for 13 positions.

MacFarland said he is encouraged by the large turnout of candidates, especially women. He said increased advertising helped get more people interested.

Rising seniors running for class president are Bill Chappell, Tom Hespos, Carlin Jones and Ashley Scott. Running for vice president are Michelle Hobbs and Kevin Roddey. Running for senior EC representative are Kenney Bullock, John Hassig, Allison Lewis, Joe Ramseur, Kendall Sibley and Aspen Yawars.

Rising juniors running for senior class president are Whitney Bludworth, Lawson Brice, Alan Schoellkopf and Sarah Tune. Running for vice president are Carol Amason, Sarah Aschenbach, Michael Brooks and Drew Denbo. Running for junior EC representative are Ryan Boone, Alex Cross, Joe Frampton, Shelby Kerr, Bryan King, Lloyd Peeples, Carol Pierce and Robert Stewart.

Running for rising sophomore class president are Melissa Byrd, Graham Frey, Ransom James, Preston Miller, Robert Turner and Ben Vanderver. Madeline White is running for vice president. Running for sophomore EC representative are Joseph Brookshire, Justin Dardani, Mason New, Clay Richards, Robert Ross, Frank Sparrow, David Stewart and Ellen Wasilausky.

## W&L students speak out on sexual assault issues

By MICHAEL HEWLETT  
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During Sexual Assault Awareness Week, several students have reacted positively to the university's activities and have taken the time to consider the problem of sexual assault.

"I think Sexual Assault Awareness Week is a very productive tool that provides necessary information to the school," junior Maurice Cole said.

Sophomore Jennifer Yanulavich questioned whether the week is impacting the community where it should.

"I just feel that if you're going to have a Sexual Assault Awareness Week, you should focus on the fraternities, because it seems to me that most of the sexual assaults happen around the fraternity parties," she said. "I'm not blaming the fraternities for this, but I think people need to be more careful when they go out."

But some students say the greater

### "I tied a ribbon because ...

I tied a ribbon for my mother who was sexually molested by her grandfather.

I tied a ribbon because I was sexually assaulted by one of my best friends freshman year.

I tied a ribbon because I thought sexual assault was overexaggerated until my best friend was raped.

I tie three ribbons ... one for my friend who was raped, one for my friend who was sexually assaulted, and one for my ex-boyfriend who was molested as a child.

(Quotes from quote board in the University Center.)

men about sexual assault.

"It seems that there is too high a perception that a woman is fair game if she's drunk, or [by] the way she's dressed or acting," Smith said.

Freshman Frank Sparrow said sexual assault is too complex an issue to place blame easily.

"No matter what, people are responsible for what they do," Sparrow said.

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

At displays around campus students have tied ribbons for people they know who have been sexually assaulted and written comments on quote boards.

Ron Campbell, a human sexuality educator at George Mason University, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Lenfest Center's Keller Theatre.

problem is that people don't report sexual assault.

"I think many people aren't aware of what constitutes assault," junior Damani Bryant said.

Sophomore Kandice Durden says she sees the root of most sexual assaults in the consumption of alcohol.

"The people around here drink too much, and when they do, they get very defenseless and senseless," she said.

Freshman Frances Smith sees the problem as a misconception among



Photo by Amy French, The Ring-tum Phi

Rick Swagler, '84, speaks in Lee Chapel Monday night.

## Events celebrate FOI

By RICHARD WEAVER  
Phi Reader Relations Coordinator

In the United States today, "reporters are going to jail for printing the truth," said Rick Swagler, '84, in a speech in Lee Chapel Monday.

Swagler is a staff attorney for the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press in Washington, D.C. The Ring-tum Phi and Society of Professional Journalists sponsored his visit in commemoration of Freedom of Information Day.

Swagler cited a survey conducted by

the Reporters Committee of 1,010 U.S. newspapers and television stations in which 3,281 subpoenas were served, calling on journalists to reveal confidential sources for criminal investigations.

Earlier Monday, the Phi held a ceremony dedicating the tree outside Reid Hall to the late Professor of Journalism Clark R. Mollenhoff.

Phi Executive Editor Cathryn Lopiccolo directed the dedication.

"It was a beautiful ceremony," Lopiccolo said. "I think it brought back fond memories of Professor Mollenhoff for everyone who knew him."

## Fad puts new products in the clear

From the Associated Press

It's hip to be clear. Or is it hype?

Well-known marketers in categories from soft drinks to dish-washing liquids, mouthwashes and deodorants are scrambling to get clear spin-offs from distinctively-tinted old standbys on supermarket shelves.

There is Crystal Pepsi and Tab Clear. The Palmolive and Ivory names now appear on clear dish-washing liquids. Lavaris now markets a colorless mouthwash, and Ban has a clear solid deodorant. Even gasoline is going clear.

The clear movement spread this month to the beer business, where consumers have long taken a brew's measure on a color scale ranging from yellow to black.

Miller Brewing Co. plans to introduce the industry's first clear beer, Miller Clear, in several markets later this month.

Marketers say they chose clear over another color because transparency provides a real benefit or helps call attention to other

changes that distinguish the clear product from the original.

Makers of clear deodorants, for example, say their products leave no white residue on clothes like traditional sticks do.

New Product News, a monthly, Chicago-based publication that chronicles product introductions, spotted about 48 clear products among 16,790 new food, personal care or household products in 1992.

Pepsi-Cola Co. said Crystal Pepsi was created in response to research that indicates some people wanted a cola with natural flavoring, no preservatives and less sweetness.

Pepsi thinks regular and diet Crystal Pepsi can capture \$1 billion in retail sales this year, about 2 percent of the market.

In response to the new Pepsi drink, Coca-Cola Co. is testing Tab Clear, a version of one



Photo by Mallory Meyers, The Ring-tum Phi

of its diet colas.

Jane Fitzgibbon, who follows consumer trends for the advertising agency Ogilvy & Mather, said she suspects a fad element in the rising use of clear marketing, but that "clear" can be a potent selling tool.

"We want clear air, clear water. It means trouble-free and blemish-free," she said. "It makes people more comfortable in using these products."

Staff Writer Tom Hespos contributed to this story.

## W&L buys El Rodeo

By TOM HESPOS  
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In a deal finalized Wednesday, Washington and Lee University became the owner of one of the defunct Mexican restaurant.

University Treasurer Lawrence W. Broomall said W&L purchased El Rodeo on North Main Street to provide more office space for the university. If all goes according to plan, Broomall said, the new building will be renovated and will house the University Print Center.

Broomall would not disclose how much the deal cost the university, but he said the renovations to the building will cost approximately \$15,000.

According to Broomall, W&L has been trying to acquire the El Rodeo building for about three years because it borders on other university-owned properties.

In particular, the university wanted to protect its investment in the Red Square fraternities from a "non-compatible use," Broomall said in a press release.

Broomall said the university has an agreement wherein the university pays a grant to the city that is equivalent to the taxes W&L would normally pay on new non-academic property acquisitions. The new property will fall under this agreement.

According to a W&L press release, the university paid the city more than \$83,000 last year to compensate for property taxes and city services.

Printing Center Supervisor Wayne Connor said he "just heard that it's a possibility" that his office will be moved to the El Rodeo location next year. He said that although the Print Center will be located closer to town, the Print Center will not attempt to take in business from town.

In a press release, Broomall also formally announced that the university will sell the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house at the corner of Preston and Lee avenues when the new Sig Ep house in Davidson Park is completed.



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## Kiss Me, I'm Irish

This smiling leprechaun greets Spanky's customers on their way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

# The Ring-tum Phi

Founded September 18, 1897

## Goodbye, farewell and amen

We have served on The Ring-tum Phi Editorial Board for two years now, and we've seen a lot things happen in this column.

The first editorial with us on the board was on April 25, 1991 and began this way: "So you think we're sensationalistic, immature, shallow, chest-beating, rhetorical, unreliable, prone to pouting, National Enquirer-esque, boring and ugly." Those were some of the words used by respondents in a readership survey.

The Phi called for a student review of the Confidential Review Committee in October 1991 at the start of a process which ended with the CRC's demise a year and a half later. That same fall, the Phi presented a series of editorials to promote awareness of sex-related crimes, in response to several reports of rape on campus. We also urged the Interfraternity Council to vote against Alpha Phi Alpha's re-colonization at W&L, a position which earned us some heat; the IFC approved Alpha.

We kicked off 1992 with a call for honesty about the Honor System, citing hypocrisy in the narrow confines of a lying-cheating-stealing definition of dishonorable conduct. We evaluated the candidacy of Mickey Mouse, among others, in a February editorial blaming the EC for poor election planning. That month we also printed the home telephone number of Lexington Mayor H.E. "Buddy" Derrick (463-4066) in an editorial, one of many, against the car tax. In March, we responded to accusations of sensationalism with a review of a newspaper's function in the community.

Coverage of sex-crime charges impelled us to write, "Guidelines we all can live with?" in September 1992, an outline of the Phi's new policies on who we name in such cases. In November, we urged the Board of Trustees to keep its paws out of the Honor System, an editorial which prompted a stream of debate. We then lambasted the city and demanded action by the university in another car-tax editorial, "Follow the dollar"; the administration did not respond, but the editorial was covered by local media.

In January, we used this column to introduce an in-depth report on University President John Wilson's first decade in office, giving some insight into the mind of the writer. We also this term scolded the EC for scheduling too-early Big Four elections, and we endorsed IFC autonomy against SAC control of the Rush revisions process.

All in all, this column has been home to an array of opinions on countless issues, most of direct concern to students, many of concern to society. We wrote seriously much of the time, but sometimes we tried to lighten things up with a humorous approach. Sometimes we ran columns we had planned for weeks, and sometimes we struggled to fill this space Wednesday night. But every week for the last two years, we have had the privilege of filling this space with the opinions of The Ring-tum Phi.

Regardless of which, if any, of those opinions students have agreed with, we hope this column, and the Phi on the whole, has provoked thoughtful debate and, once in a while, a few smiles. As we careen toward graduation, we're confident that the newspaper's new leadership in the spring will continue the proud tradition of The Ring-tum Phi.

There is of course one more element of this column, probably the best-read section of the newspaper, the occasional feature, "Quote of the Week." As we bid you farewell, we leave you with some of our favorite Quotes of the Week from the past two years.

— Did you know that your telephone number is 1-800-DON'T-CALL? — No, it's not sir. It's 1-800-FOOTBALL.

— former Phi Editor Brian Root and an 800 operator (May 16, 1991) There are five hundred million radios in the United States. If you laid all those radios end to end, you'd be really bored.

— Professor Brian Richardson (Oct. 31, 1991) They're into a lot of service and high academic standards, not what we're used to.

— IFC President Greg Hicks on Alpha Phi Alpha (Nov. 14, 1991) Continental drift is the only hope for the South to rise again.

— a professor (Oct. 1, 1992) If I give out too many, please pass them—excuse the word—to the left.

— Professor of History Jefferson Davis Futch (Oct. 22, 1992) Hello, you've reached the Institution for the Sexually Frustrated Pyro-Negro-Beastiphiliacs. As soon as I'm done with this flaming dead cat, I'll call you back.

— W&L students' answering machine (Nov. 12, 1992) There's only one reason we're really here on earth. That's to reproduce. [Otherwise,] God could have made it painful, like you have to cut off your arm and rub the stubs together.

— Ice-T (Feb. 25, 1993) I am not the editor of a newspaper and shall always do right and be good, so that God will not make me one.

— Mark Twain

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## OPINION



## Baltimore tackles teen pregnancy issue.

BALTIMORE — Begin here: In 1990 nearly 10 percent of Baltimore

girls aged 15 to 17, almost all unmarried, gave birth. That is why in 1993 the city is embarking on a program to make Norplant, a long-term (five-year) contraceptive implant, available to teenage girls at school clinics and elsewhere.

The case against the program can be put concisely: By substituting chemical protection for moral restraint, it sends a message of resignation regarding behavior once considered deviant and reprehensible but now redefined in the name of "realism" as normal.

The case for the program can be put even more concisely: Rebecca (not her real name).

She is wearing sneakers, clean jeans and a lavender sweatshirt. She sniffs constantly, the consequence of a cold, or perhaps of the substance abuse (sniffing paint thinner, as well as using PCP and alcohol) that got her sent to a residential treatment center. There she heard about Norplant from a public health official. Now at a hospital clinic she is listening impassively as a nurse gives her all the information necessary for informed consent for the insertion in her upper arm, by a 10-minute procedure, of six match stick-size capsules.

Rebecca, who has been sexually active for two years, is told that the

implant will not protect her until after her next period, which is two weeks away, and she is asked if she needs a supply of condoms for the interval. Oh, yes, she says emphatically. She is 13.

Now, consider some numbers provided by Douglas Besharov and Karen Gardiner in The American Enterprise journal.

This year 10 million teenagers will engage in 126 million acts of sexual intercourse resulting in more than one million pregnancies, 406,000 abortions, 134,000 miscarriages and 490,000 births, about 64 percent (313,000) of them illegitimate. In 1988, 11,000 American babies were born to females under 15. In 1990, 32 percent of ninth grade females had sexual intercourse. Seventeen percent of 12th grade girls have had four or more partners.

Such numbers suggest that any message communicated by a Norplant program will not have a measurable effect on the mores of an age in which more teenagers are having sex more often and at an earlier age, and much of the increase has been among middle class teenagers, most of them white. Rebecca, by the way, is white.

The question is how to limit the social costs of all this, given the fact that (in Besharov and Gardiner's words) "adolescents who cannot remember to hang up their bath towels may be just as unlikely to use contraceptives."

Norplant is "teenager proof" because it requires neither a daily action (as with the pill) nor foresight (as with a diaphragm) nor a partner's cooperation (as with condoms).

Times have changed? Yes, but let's be clear about how. Forty years ago teenage pregnancy rates were higher than today. However, most pregnancies occurred in, or were promptly followed by, marriage.

Today few teenagers who become pregnant wanted to. (A study suggests that the "wantedness" rate is higher for whites than for blacks.) But for those

who do become pregnant, incentives and social reinforcements are apt to be markedly different for whites and blacks.

A white suburban teenager who becomes pregnant is apt to get an abortion and go on to college. A black inner city teenager's pregnancy is not apt to disrupt similar expectations.

Many inner-city female teenagers have not seen a man in the role of economic and emotional provider for a family. And given the savage harvest of homicide, drugs and jail, the cohort of marriageable inner-city males is small.

Furthermore, the pregnant teenager is apt to have a supportive patriarchy to rely on if she decides to have the baby resulting from the unwanted preg-

nancy. But the prospects for such babies are at best problematic. Better the unwanted pregnancy had not occurred. And Norplant may be the most feasible preventative.

Norplant has been embroiled elsewhere in controversial welfare and criminal justice policies, raising questions of morally or legally dubious coercion. There have been proposals for monetary incentives or sanctions for unmarried welfare mothers to agree to implants.

Judges have proposed implants in lieu of prison for women convicted of drug or child abuse. But leaving aside the question of when it might be acceptable for society to encourage Norplant use, Baltimore's evolving program seems careful, consensual and needed.

And those black activists who profess to see Norplant as a "genocidal" attack on black fertility should answer this:

What is more dangerous to the flourishing of black America: Norplant for teenagers, or a growing number of black adolescents headed for a life in poverty because they were born into poverty to a single mother whose life chances were blighted by a pregnancy at 15 years old?

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## Repeal the 'Bobby Kennedy law'

WASHINGTON — A federal judge has just ruled that the national health care task force headed by Hillary Rodham Clinton can advise the president in private. While it's "fact-gathering" meetings must be open to the public, its "consultations" do not have to be.

Translation: Pillow talk still goes.

What triggered the odd ruling, of course, was the president's decision to give his wife such a dominant policy role. Her assignment is to blueprint a comprehensive health care program that (a) extends insurance to the 37 million Americans not now covered and (b) cuts the country's overall medical costs.

In delegating this daunting task to his wife, Clinton is following in the footsteps of his beloved predecessor John F. Kennedy, who gave his brother Robert responsibility for the most sensitive issue of the early 1960s: civil rights.

Kennedy made the assignment formally. He appointed his younger sibling attorney general, a job from which he could advise the president generally while, at the same time, handling the politically sensitive tasks of the post itself.

Naming Hillary Clinton to the Cabinet would accomplish the same intent. It would give her the governmental authority to both serve the president and carry out her huge task of developing a workable, efficient, enduring national health plan. She could take orders and give them. She could do so officially, not at the sufferance of her spouse.

There's only one barrier to putting Hillary on the Cabinet: it's illegal. In 1967, Congress outlawed any member of the presidential family from holding a job under him.

As legislation, it was as stupidly deceitful as

Lyndon Johnson's declaration in 1964 that he would not name as vice president anyone who sat as a member of his Cabinet.

Both the law and LBJ's presidential edict were petty swipes at the same man, Robert Kennedy. LBJ didn't want the former president's brother on his ticket but didn't want to say so. Congress didn't like the former attorney general's aggressive style, but also didn't want to say so.

So, three decades later, we have the legacy of the "Bobby Kennedy law." It prevents Bill Clinton or any other president from naming the person he wants and needs in a job simply because that person happens to be his relative.

A tough argument could be made that this law is as unconstitutional as the one relied upon this week. If it's wrong for Congress to restrict a president's access to private consultation through an advisory commission such as Mrs. Clinton's, isn't it equally so to keep him from nominating whomever he wants to his Cabinet?

The administration has argued in the recent court case that Hillary Clinton is the "functional equivalent" of a federal employee. If so, this is one case where form should follow function. If Hillary is functioning as a member of the Cabinet, shouldn't she have the title and authority of a Cabinet officer? If the head of the EPA, the drug czar and the U.N. ambassador all hold Cabinet rank, shouldn't the person charged with drafting the

administration's No. 1 policy initiative?

The issue here is not legality but propriety. The Executive is an evolving branch of government. The Constitution does not, for example, require that a vice president take orders from the president. Strictly constructed, the vice president's only job is to break ties in the Senate and become president should that become necessary. Until recent years, folks like Al Gore did not even have an office in the White House.

The role of the first lady has also grown, if less evenly. Eleanor Roosevelt was her husband's legs, traveling where the polio-stricken president could not. Nancy Reagan helped chart her husband's course in another way, through consultation with the stars.

Obviously, the role depends on who has it.

I believe the current first lady should be singled out for a title worthy of the front-line policy roles she's been given. Even her critics would admit that Hillary Rodham Clinton's mandate from her husband is a vital one and that she, the president's spouse or not, has the talent and zeal to carry it through.

more than anyone else in the government, will write the national health care policy of the administration.

That's a job for a Cabinet member. As a courtesy to the president, as a proper step in correcting a stupid, petty piece of legislation, Congress should repeal the "Bobby Kennedy law."

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## LETTERS

### Student appalled by vandalism of posters

To the Editor:

Though I ought to have known better, I am again disappointed by the actions of the student body. The widespread distribution of posters announcing numerous activities is taken as a norm on this campus.

Most of the time, one glances and merely ignores any "offending" piece of literature. This sort of action is acceptable. What is not acceptable is

the active defacing and destruction of advertisements. Case in point: tearing a poster in half and then re-tacking the same poster to show displeasure disgusts me.

I, myself, have been turned off by posters, such as the infamous College Republican's "Why are Democrats' daughters so ugly?..." Nonetheless, I left them untouched, because I understand that one has the right to voice

one's opinions. However, in a school system which calls for its men and women to act like "gentlemen" and "ladies," this misconduct is abhorrent.

For those of you who are taking down and destroying the posters on sexual assault awareness, I hope you realize that your actions are not only dishonorable, but also cowardly. If you hold a different viewpoint, confront the issue by speaking out or argu-

ing against it.

Do not play the simpleton by destroying property, which I should point out, was funded by your own money. You are only defeating yourselves by proving us right: you are insensitive and uncaring about the dangers of sexual assault.

Hoe Chin Kim, '93  
Health Education Committee

OPINION

Spos says goodbye to a true friend

SPOS' SPACE  
By Tom Hespos

•This week, Washington and Lee University said goodbye to a great man.

Last Thursday, I was sitting in the Pit with two friends, reading the Phi after a rather pleasant meal. Bubba wandered over and told us that he had something to say. Whenever Bubba approached me in the Pit, it was usually to tell me about something pleasant, like a party or a girl he had met. I was totally unprepared when he told me that he had to leave. He was shaking when he told us his reasons for leaving school. It didn't matter what those reasons were. All that mattered was that he had to leave. The familiar campus restaurant suddenly became a very uncomfortable place, and we paid our check before the tears welling in Bubba's eyes became too apparent.

As we walked outside, I fumbled with my car keys as Bubba told me that he would try hard to make it back to W&L next winter.

"Don't worry, Tom," he said. "Bubba will find his way home. Bubbas always do." We said goodbye and I promised to bid him farewell before his final departure. As I collapsed into the driver's seat of my car, I had to rest my head on the steering wheel for a minute before I could start the car. After regaining my composure, I pulled out of my parking space and went home.

Bubba was instrumental in helping me adjust to life at Washington and Lee. I first saw him at the Pavilion party freshman year. He stuck out like a sore thumb in the large crowd of people and appeared to be handing out flyers of some sort.

He approached me and gave a strong handshake as he introduced himself.

"My name is Jameson Jared Leonardi," he said in a booming voice, "but you can call me Bubba." He would always introduce himself that

way, whether he was talking to a fellow student or to the President of the United States. Bubba handed me an invitation to Delta Tau Delta's party that weekend. Later in the week, I remembered Bubba's firm handshake and his friendly manner, and I made sure that I stopped by Delt to visit him.

As it turned out, Bubba had big plans for me. He was confident that I was "Delt material" and wanted me to join his fraternity. As an insecure freshman in his first few weeks in a new place, I wasn't so sure.

One night, while hanging out in Bubba's room, I began to get worried about whether the Deltas liked me enough to give me a bid to join the fraternity. Bubba eased my fears. "Don't worry, Tom," he said in his distinctive baritone, "I'll stick up for you." Bubba did just that. And when the Deltas extended a bid for membership, I was proud to accept.

In the coming weeks, Bubba would become a close friend and mentor. I asked him to be my "big brother" and he happily accepted, swearing to help me in my travel down the road toward becoming a full-fledged brother. On "Hell Night," the night before I was to be initiated into the fraternity, Bubba took care of me. I was drunk to the point where I couldn't stand up and I was covered in various foodstuffs. Bubba offered me new clothes to wear and a couch to sleep on. Before he climbed up into his loft for the night, he made sure that I was okay and that I had a blanket to keep me warm during the chilly night. Bubba would always think of others before he thought of himself.

I think Bubba's generosity and selflessness are what made him so popular on campus. Just about everyone knows him or at least knows who he is. He is especially popular with the girls from Sweet Briar who all know him as a kind, caring person. His reputation with these girls helped him in the long run, as he was rarely at a loss for a date to a social function.

I think I realized just how well Bubba was known among W&L students late last year when we both attended a party at Zollman's. I came out of Zollman's during a band break to find Bubba wrestling in the mud with a fellow student.

A small crowd had gathered to watch the two men slip and slide around in the mud. Eventually, the crowd grew to about 150 people, each of them chanting Bubba's name

and cheering him on. Bubba wrestled opponent after opponent and it seemed that not a single man at the party could take him down.

Soon, the crowd determined that no one could possibly defeat Bubba the Mud Wrestler and that he should wrestle multiple opponents. It started to get out of hand when they sent six men up against him. I decided that I had to save my big brother.

I stripped down to my jeans and headed into the mudpuddle to save Bubba. The mud was really cold—I'd estimate its temperature at about 40 degrees, but that didn't stop me. After about 15 minutes and many face-first plunges into the freezing mud, Bubba and I had driven away our six oppo-

nents, and I could hear the crowd chanting my fraternity's name all around me.

Bubba and I have done some pretty bizarre things together: beer slides, flagpole swinging and mudwrestling only scratch the surface of the many weird things we have done together as fraternity brothers and more importantly, as friends. Several of these memories were revived on Monday night, Bubba's last night in Lexington. As we sat at the bar in The Bone, story after story would pour forth from the mouths of myself and my other fraternity brothers who showed up to see Bubba off. Neil the bartender even presented Bubba with a complimentary T-shirt. Like I said, Bubba is a popular guy.

At 2:30 a.m., I decided that it was time to say my final goodbye. I thought we would both cry after we passed each other our fraternity handshake, perhaps for the last time. As I walked away, Bubba called out after me, his last words reflecting our big brother/little brother relationship that had carried on from my freshman year until now.

"Don't do anything bad while I'm gone, Tom," he said. Even in our final moments together, Bubba was still trying to be the big brother I never had. I left the bar that night feeling like I had left something behind.

Bubba has, for me, always fulfilled the characteristics of a true friend. He always thought of those who were close to him before he thought of himself. He gave me support in everything that I did. He helped me in celebrating my victories and consoled me after my defeats.

I will miss Jameson Jared Leonardi. Washington and Lee just won't be the same without him. I will miss his booming voice, his firm handshake and his warm smile. But I take comfort in knowing that wherever he is, someone is enjoying his company. Good luck Bubba. I trust that one day you will find your way home, wherever that may be. Bubbas always do.

GENERAL NOTES

Film Society

The W&L Film Society will present "Zentropa" at 8:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday in the Troubadour Cinema. As always, there is no charge for admission and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Party

The Freshman Leadership Council is having a band party in the Pit featuring W&L's own "Bit Posse" Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight.

Lecture

Jack Jordan, senior vice president of Bethlehem Steel, and Casey Nolan, partner with Ernst & Young, will present a forum on the steel and health care industries tonight at 7:30 p.m. in room 327 of the Commerce School. The forum will include a question-and-answer session and is open to the public.

Lost

A grey Harris tweed overcoat was lost at the Fancy Dress Ball coat check. If you have information, please call John at 464-4566 (Law Carrell 210).

Elections

Elections for Executive Committee class representatives, class officers and the constitutional referendum will be Monday.

General Notes are compiled by Matt Haar.

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 p.m. to 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.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Blood Drive, sponsored by Chi Psi fraternity, will be Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Doremus Gym. If you have questions please call Bart Sterling at 463-9327.

Kitten

The cutest kitten - FREE! A seven-month-old Russian Tabby female. Spayed, declawed, comes with litter box, food and water dish, litter, and food. If interested, please call 464-4130.

Republicans

The College Republicans will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Mock Convention office. The debate topic will be base closings.

Talkback

The Phi needs someone to do Talkback starting spring term. Anyone interested should call Fran at 463-8581.

LETTERS

Student blasts republican letter

To the Editor:

It is, of course, a pleasure to see not only a member, but an avowed representative of one's ideological opposition simultaneously expose both his ignorance and the ugliest faces of his group's beliefs in a public forum. Thus was it with satisfaction that I read College Republican Spokesman Paul Wright's remarkable letter to the Phi last week.

Mr. Wright prefaced his correspondence with a quote from, and at this I could not suppress a pained pang of laughter, Herbert Spencer. I strongly suspect and genuinely hope that Mr. Wright is not familiar with Herbert Spencer and his ideas. Spencer was probably the most vicious social Darwinist of the 19th century.

He opposed any form of state action in the interest of public amelioration and celebrated gross inequalities of wealth as just the outcome of competition among essentially unequal classes of men. He was a racist hostile towards the most brutally exploited members of industrializing America. It is

interesting that Mr. Wright is either ignorant enough of his nation's history and Herbert Spencer's role in it, or perhaps just deranged enough in his interpretation of Spencer's legacy, to proudly introduce his letter with a sampling from Spencer's infamous work. Yet perhaps an expression of reverence, however intentional, for reactionary, obsolete and even primitive social thought ought to be expected from a Republican.

The thrust of Mr. Wright's letter reveals hypocrisy and moral bankruptcy typical of Republicanism as he struggles to assert that the United States has no responsibility to take any action in order to aid other nations or peoples that places American lives in danger. First of all, this entire tendency for one to classify human life by nationality and ascribe supreme value to the lives to his own countrymen, though a foible common to all nations, is one especially rampant within the Republican Party, where Americanism, at least outside the fundamentalist wing, becomes a secular religion. (Perhaps we all

ought to move instead toward an attitude of global cooperation that will serve *humanity's* interest.)

Second, in light of Mr. Wright's apparent explication of Republican principles regarding international involvement, I must wonder why his former leader George Bush waged war in the Persian Gulf, placing thousands of American lives at risk while justifying American action as a crusade "to liberate the people of Kuwait." Was President Bush an idealistic renegade whose presidential policies boldly defied Republican principles of national self interest? Or could it be that Bush lacked both the courage and the honesty to tell his nation that the war had little to do with liberation and everything to do with oil? I digress.

Most notable of all was Wright's negative stance towards American assistance in international relief efforts. Only a Republican could use the words "idealistic" and "humanitarian" in the pejorative.

Justin Peterson, '94

W&L and American culture stifle diversity

To the Editor:

W&L has been doing a lot of talking about diversity these days. We've been wondering why there is not more of it on this campus.

While part of the problem is undoubtedly the group mentality encouraged by many Greek associations, the real problem is cultural. Ours is a culture primed toward fitting in, having the right clothes, cars, credit cards. Open-mindedness and diversity are simply pretty phrases we like to trot out occasionally.

This lack of real appreciation for diversity, this prejudice against the unusual manifests itself in our treatment of foreign students. In general foreigners are looked at as if they were members of a freak show. We trot them out in the catalog to prove our heterogeneity; we grill them for information that might be of use; then we leave them on the wayside. Socially very few people really attempt to include them, to befriend them. I even know of several incidents in which foreigners were openly mocked at parties. Worse still, some of our professors pointedly discomfited them. Professors, by refusing to provide synonyms or fill in cultural gaps, punish foreigners for their lack of

knowledge concerning US-culture.

Last year I spent a year abroad. I found the people both in Germany and in France to be warm and of good intent. When I made social blunders or did not understand questions, every effort was made to aid me.

I became fully incorporated into the society, while being allowed to be myself. Sitting in this school, contemplating the attitudes of many of my fellow Americans, I long to relinquish my citizenship. I am ashamed, mortified!

Where do we come off with our arrogance?! It can not be our economic prowess. No, the national debt and the abuses of many of our third world-based companies have destroyed that. It cannot be our educational system. No, our high-schoolers ran far behind those of most industrial countries.

This year part of "The Foreign Student" will be filmed here. Isn't it about time we accepted foreign students as people with whom to share experiences, ideas, aspirations? Let us revive the American dream of a melting pot, in which all peoples and cultures contribute to create a masterpiece.

Kathryn Noël Barbour, '93

Students keep library going during storm

To the Editor:

I'd like to publicly express my appreciation to students Molly Apter, Andy Bidwell, Robin Bryant, Kandice Durden, Heather Edwards, Brandon Neblett and Scott Sulamm, and to library staff members Richard Tanson and Vaughan Stanley for maintaining the library's regularly scheduled ser-

vices over this past snowy weekend. I was reminded very forcefully again how valuable our student assistants are to the library's ongoing business.

My heartiest thanks to all of you hearty souls!

Barbara Brown  
University Librarian

MY VIEW

By Andrew Cohen

I swallowed the Greek bait, hook, line, and sinker. People said, "Going Greek is a good experience. You get to meet people, you have a body of brothers/sisters so close they'll do anything for you, you have leadership opportunities, and besides, the social scene here is so Greek-based, you've got to do it."

Nothing could be further from the truth. I joined a fraternity and served as its vice-president and public-relations chair. I was elected by the presidents of the fraternities to the Interfraternity Council Executive Board, where I served until my deactivation in the spring of 1992. I do not speak from a disenfranchised perspective, but rather as someone who experienced the "essence" of the system.

It is also important that I am honest about my reasons for leaving. I left not because of any moral awakening, but because I could barely stay sober long enough to write my name. This was my problem, not the system's. Yet my time away from Greek life has led me to realize that while in the system, there is a tendency to forget the "kind of person" you think you are, in favor of the inclinations of the herd.

As a first-year student, I came to Bucknell University berating my parents for their interference in my life. I was my own person, not their juvenile, dependent son. I came to school eager to experience my individuality for the first time. Yet, within a few months, the burden was too great, and I sought refuge in the acceptance of a group.

I said that I was only going to rush. But it was so enticing. People seemed to like me. With no more than a beer in hand and an hour or so of small talk in common, I decided that they were going to be my best friends.

From the very first, the things that were me, that were pointedly Andrew Cohen, that comprised my very soul, began to die. The physical pain of being paddled bare-assed was, at that point in my life, indescribable. Some "pops" (older fraternity members picked as big brothers for pledges) and their "sons" never talked after that night. But I learned that silence was precious. I did not let out a peep, and the brothers "respected that," many shook my

hand. That made it all worth it. I was proud of my welts, they were a badge of courage.

However, it was the psychological torture during pledging that really broke me. I was expected to sit in silence when I saw things that make me sick to my stomach. When brothers senselessly decried my very being, made me feel inhuman, I had to suck it up, to let go of my thoughts, to ignore them, to become numb. This was a hard lesson for me to swallow, and I voiced objections. I even mentioned the word "hazing," as I was told to do at an anti-hazing program we had been required to attend. I found out from an officer of the house that I was not being hazed because I could disassociate myself at any time.

It was too late. My identity was bound into the group. So I learned to ignore myself. One of the brothers told me that it was a simple psychological process whereby the individual is broken down only to be built up as a member of the group. It worked.

By the end of "Hell Week," I had discarded any remnants of myself as an individual and rather began to enjoy my debasement. I was so excited that I would soon become a member and there would be others for me to terrorize. By the next year, I had become what I had held in contempt.

I miss my friends from my first year at Bucknell. After pledging, it was never the same. Paradoxically, my social opportunities were enlarged and shrunken all at once. I had an instant group of friends called brothers. But everyone outside of the group was somehow not as good as those in it. Social options immediately became limited by a set of letters.

As a brother, little changed. I ceased to be a thinker, if I ever was one. I was always busy jumping on the bandwagon or trying to lead one. But as for doing anything for myself, that was impossible; myself had long since left. The silence I had learned as a pledge took a turn for the worse; I put on my mask and joined the masses.

It was really no one's fault. An opening for a sexist remark or act would occur, someone would

take it, everyone would take it. Never in my year and a half as an active member did I hear anyone really stand up against sexism during the hundreds of times that it occurred. I did not pride myself as a sexist, but it was just so damn funny, everyone roared with approving laughter.

I always thought I was the "kind of person" who deplored racism. Yet, when a small group got together and began making racist remarks, my courage had disappeared like the welts. Dumb silence pervaded my psyche. I did not know what to say, how to say it. Everyone was having such a good time, how could I spoil it?

Frequently, Jews were the target of disparaging remarks. While the anger rose within me, I shut up

and smiled. Now it was my so-called "people." How could there be "my people" when there was no me?

So it was that I forgot myself. My insecurity had been filled by the ethos of the herd. I was now a leader of the system. I wrote scathing newspaper stories against those who opposed it. And I made the thing look so beautiful on paper that no one would dare write the libel you are reading. I wrote letters praising "our diverse brotherhood which maintains a close-knit unity." All the while, my experience told a very different story.

I do not believe that Greeks are bad people. The majority of my close friends are Greek. But I do think that the system encourages people to value their membership in the group above their individuality and sense of self, which makes it easy for people to become foreign to themselves. Students need not be slaves to the system. Students can change the way things are. If they do not validate the system, it will cease to rule a university's social climate. People will be able to transcend the herd mentality to embark upon genuine relationships that are supportive of their individuality. Such a decision takes a lot of courage, though, a lot more than I had during my time in a fraternity.

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## FEATURES

## Plays offer array of performances



## Dixie Dancing

By ANDREA COBRIN  
Phi Staff Writer

Hey y'all! Does a country dance sound like fun tonight? The Blue Ridge Boot Scooters, a local country dancing club, sure think it does.

And a lot of Washington and Lee students do too. "It's something different than what is [usually offered]," junior Jimmy Kull said.

Kull, assistant country music director for WLUR, said that because big bands are no longer popular, more people want to dance to country music.

"Country dancing is our generation's type of ballroom dancing," Kull said.

The Boot Scooters give dance lessons every Thursday night at the Ramada Inn. Line dances are taught from 6 to 7 p.m. and couples dancing is taught from 7 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person to dance for both hours.

The classes are open to people of all ages. Club member Cheryl Link said people as young as 12 and as old as 60 come to learn line dances.

Link, who teaches the classes, said first-time dancers are welcome.

"You just need to know how to count to four and have a little bit of coordination," Link said.

Link encouraged W&L students to come out on Thursday nights to give country dancing a try.

If enough students showed interest in learning to dance, Link said the club would be happy to teach a clinic on campus just for W&L students. The Boot Scooters have taught three lessons this year at the Southern Virginia College for Women.

Junior Sarah Smith said she was interested in seeing more country bands play at W&L.

"If more people were involved and knew how to dance, more country bands might come to W&L," Smith said.

By Joyce Bautista  
Phi Features Editor

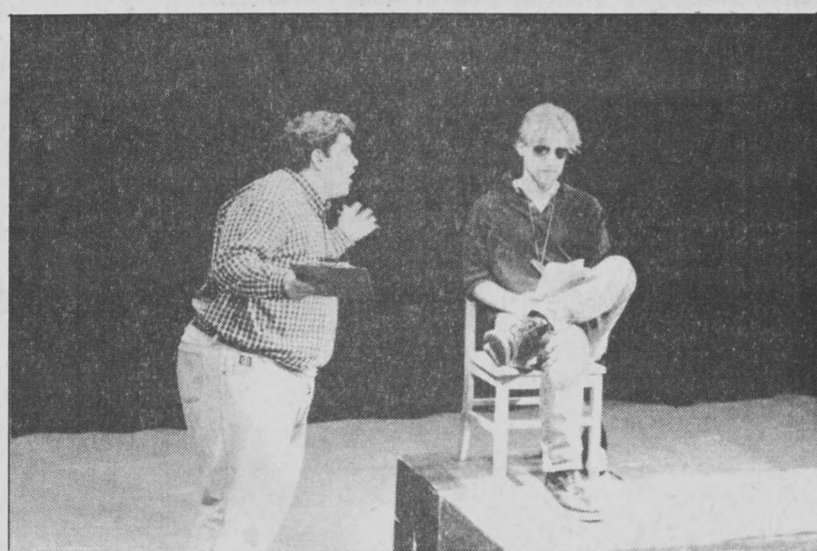
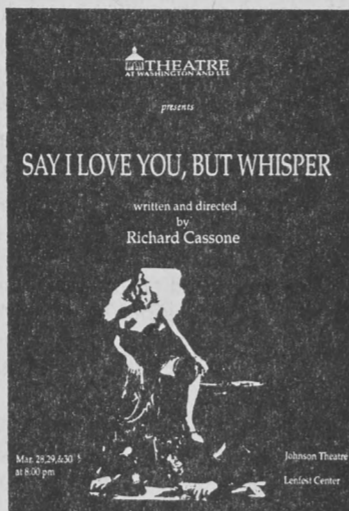
Student talent will not be limited to acting on center stage of the Johnson Theatre later this month. Four advanced directing students will present four plays, including an original work by senior Richard Cassone.

"[The play is] a comedy about a guy who gets involved with a woman who plays him for a fool," Cassone said. "The play is one big laugh. You sit down and laugh. And two hours later you leave laughing."

His play, titled "Say I Love You, But Whisper," is full-length and was funded by the budget allotted to the "Festival of One-Acts."

"I was lucky [the theatre department] let me direct a play that I wrote," Cassone said.

He said this is the first play he has directed but not the first play he was written that has been performed. Last spring his



Reuben (left, senior Broderick Grady) and film director Robert (right, senior Troy Hill) on the location of a movie in Aaron Sorkin's "Hidden In This Picture."

play, titled "The Garden of Sweden" was performed in the Johnson Theatre.

This year, however, Cassone is able to fully develop his original vision from paper to the stage.

"I was originally worried about casting [the play] but I have had no problems," he said.

However, junior Heather Aussiker said she encountered several obstacles directing George Brewster's play "Dreams of Glory."

"It was hard getting one vision and conveying it to the actors and designers," she said. Aussiker described "Dreams" as a play in which the characters come to the revelation about being happy with their lives.

"Dreams of Glory" is about not having regrets or questions about your past," she said. "It is about never saying, 'What if.'"

Another obstacle she said she encountered was making decisions and acting upon them.

"If I had to do it over again, I would go back and have more confidence from day one," she said.

Aussiker said one difficulty with actors involved making them look middle-aged without the use of make-up but simply through their actions.

"I have confidence in my actors," she said. "Opening night it's out of my hands and up to my actors to see them through."

Junior Roseanne Cornbrooks said the biggest obstacle she encountered was positioning the actors on stage and coordinating their movements.

"I feel kind of bad for the actors because I've changed my mind so many times," Cornbrooks said.

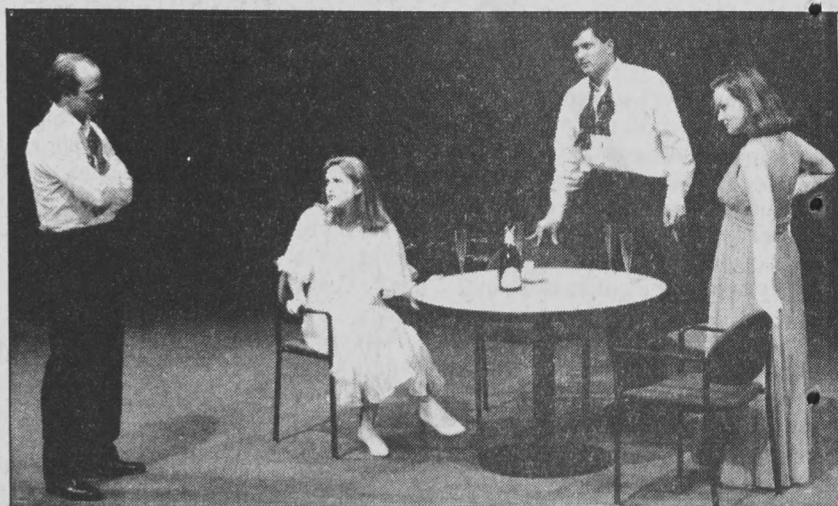
Like Aussiker and Cassone, Cornbrooks is a first-time director. She will present Aaron Sorkin's "Hidden In This Picture."

"The artists in this play make a really strong statement about keeping artistic integrity in a money-driven world," she said.

Cornbrooks hopes the play gives the audience something to take home and think about.

"It's a fun play, but there is a message," she said.

Senior Erin Walsh made her directorial debut earlier this year with the production of "Miss Julie." For her second directorial production, Walsh chose Tennessee Williams' play "Talk to Me



In a scene from "Dreams of Glory," Ginger (junior Jennifer Ray), Bill (senior Hank Huff) and Ada (senior Erin Walsh) tensely wait to hear the news from George (junior Jeff Mikita).

Like the Rain and Let Me Listen . . ."

She said the characters in Williams' play seem to be more like shadow people rather than bold characters with definitive dreams and motivations.

"They both need to escape but neither of them can go," she explained. "The woman dreams, the man drinks, and they always find themselves together in the end."

The "Festival of One-Acts" will run from March 24-26 at 8 p.m. nightly. Cassone's play opens March 28 at 8 p.m.



The woman (sophomore Elizabeth Weaver) and man (senior James Elliot) from "Talk to Me Like the Rain and Let Me Listen . . ." are confined to their room and each other.

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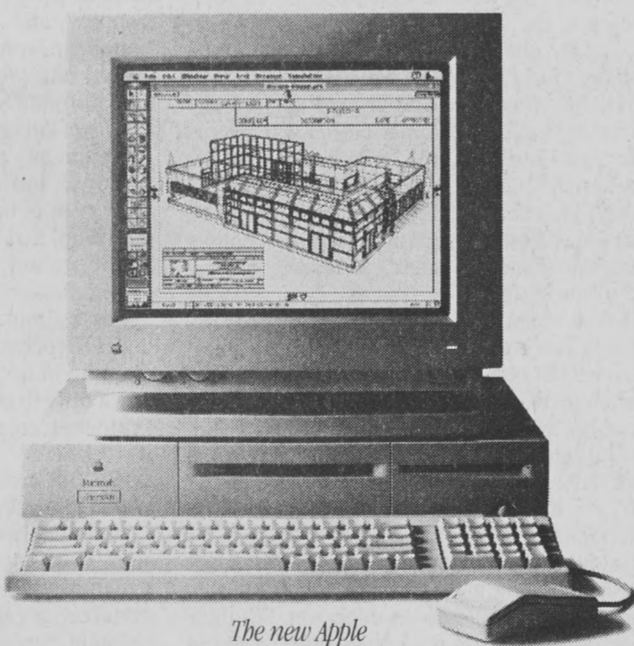


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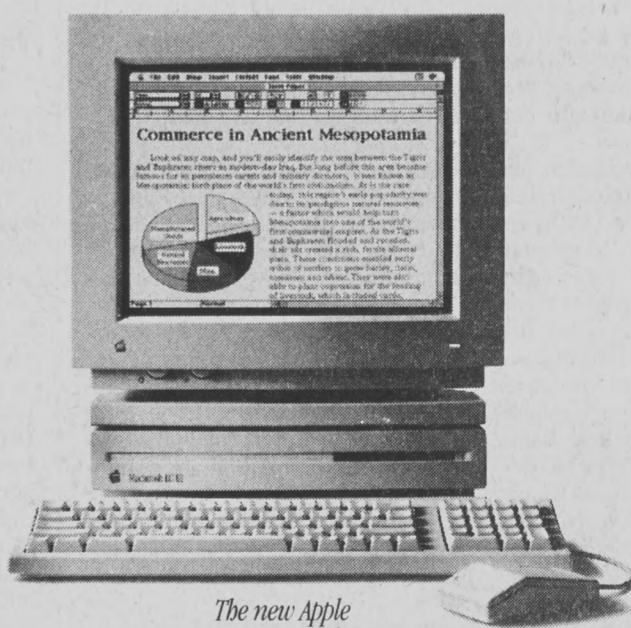
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FEATURES

Senior's sci-fi story sells

By JEANNE BRIGGS  
Phi Staff Writer

Friff Carale escapes his home world and joins a major operation whose mission is the empirical search for God on a molecular level.

Sound like the beginning of a great science fiction novel?

It's the basis of "Overmind," W&L senior Bill Coffin's novel, and he's just signed a contract to have it published.

Coffin said that he received the contract a week ago.

He anticipates that editing will begin in a month, and the book will be in print within a year.

"It was impressive how fast they replied," Coffin said of the publishing company. "The book was only on the market for six months. I got very lucky."

Coffin said that the publisher, KAV, a subsidiary of Trillium Press, plans to market the book to schools for students age 10-18.

"It really doesn't surprise me that they're targeting younger readers. That's the age when I started reading science fiction. That's when people start getting interested in reading," he

said. "Most of what I write is more accessible to younger readers. A lot of it is kind of comic book-ish."

Coffin said he has been writing for years.

"In high school I wrote and drew comic books. I wrote my first book during my freshman year here."

He said he came up with the idea for "Overmind" during freshman year.

"I was bored in English class and I came up with the idea. I started writing furiously - the professor was happy because he thought I was taking notes."

"I spent that year working on the conceptual side, characters and plot. I wrote all during sophomore year winter term, and rewrote what I had and

finished it last winter term."

Coffin, an English major and recipient of last year's Mahan Creative Writing Award for Junior Prose, said he has been told that he is one of the

first students in the English department to be published as an undergraduate.

Coffin said he talked with English Professor Dabney Stuart to begin the publication process.

Stuart gave him names of people to contact.

He also looked up publishing companies in reference journals.

Coffin said he sent the manuscript to three publishers, and one immediately sent him a contract.

"My brother opened the mail and read the opening of the contract to me over the phone. I was sure he was

playing a really cruel joke."

Coffin said he thought the book might get published eventually, but he expected it to take four to five years.

"The euphoria hasn't worn off yet. The publication of this book is my greatest dream come true."

Coffin said he will continue to write science fiction.

"I'm kind of addicted to reading and writing science fiction."

Frank Herbert's "Dune" and William Gibson's "Neuromancer" are two of his favorite science fiction novels.

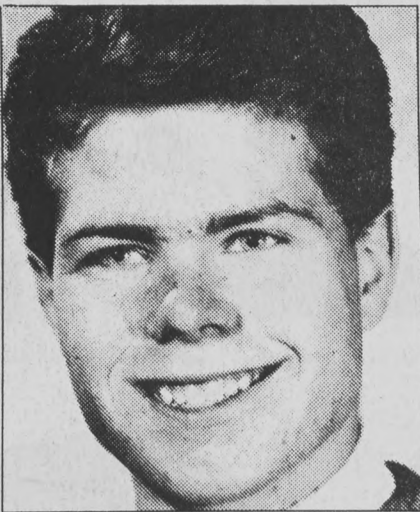
He cited Herbert and Gibson as his major influences, and Robert Heinlein and J.R.R. Tolkien as favorite authors.

"They profoundly influenced what I write and how I write it," he said.

Coffin said he will make writing a well-paying hobby, but doesn't plan on making it his main source of income.

His advice to aspiring writers: "Always keep writing. Check your ego at the door concerning criticism. And never ever give up. Persistence is the one key attribute to becoming a published writer."

Coffin called himself an anomaly, saying, "It's been an extraordinarily easy path thus far."



Coffin

Forum celebrates 'Women's History Month'

By JOYCE BAUTISTA  
Phi Features Editor

Following the hype generated by November's election it seems appropriate that Women's Forum celebrates "The Year of the Woman" in a library display honoring "Women's History Month."

"We [Women's Forum] simply want the W&L student body to be aware of issues that pertain to women," senior Shannon Comer, president of Women's Forum, said.

Comer said the display of books and articles is to increase recognition of women's accomplishments in the last year and to heighten awareness of women's issues.

"It was not a coincidence that 'Sexual Assault Awareness Week' coincides with 'Women's History

Month," Comer said.

Women's Forum is working in conjunction with the Health Education Committee, the Dean of Students Office and the Rockbridge Area Coalition Against Sexual Assault (RACASA) to educate the campus on sexual assault issues. Human sexuality educator at George Mason University Ron Campbell will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Keller Theatre.

Comer said other activities in honor of "Women's History Month" included a seminar concerning W&L's relationship with the area's women's colleges and another seminar about W&L women in student government.

This Friday the group will sponsor a retreat at Skylark for all interested women.

"We just want the student body to think about women's issues," Comer said. "That's all you can ask."

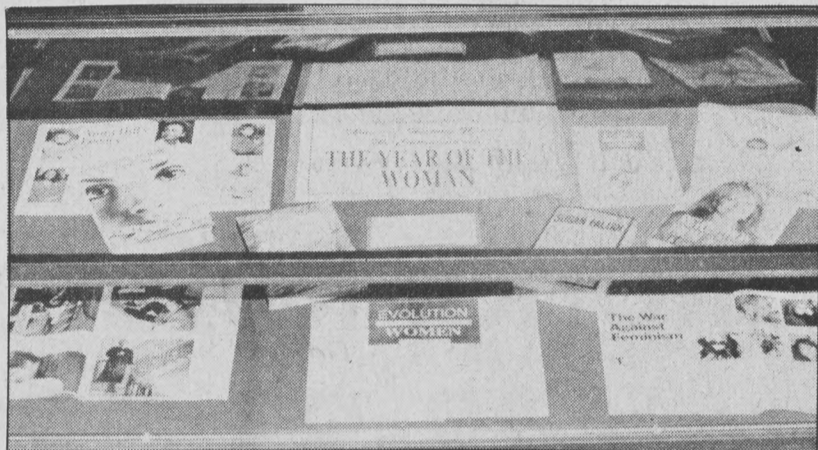
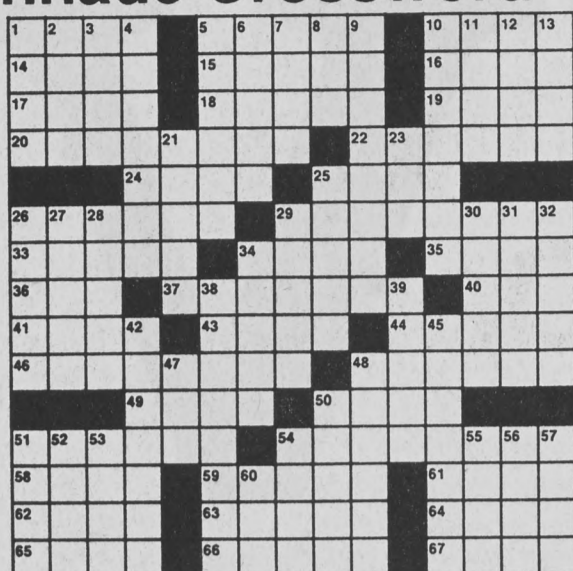


Photo by Mallory Meyers, The Ring-tum Phi

The display of books and articles in the library is sponsored by Women's Forum. Items range from Gloria Steinem's "The Revolution From Within" to Susan Faludi's "Backlash: The Undeclared War Against American Women."

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15 Happening  
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17 Small weight  
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20 Vendor  
22 Repaired  
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26 Bless, in a way  
29 School books  
33 Leans  
34 Tried to steal a base  
35 One of the five lakes  
36 Senator Kennedy  
37 Large land holdings  
40 Fruit drink  
41 High cards  
43 Stringed instrument  
44 Put in a carton  
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48 Hangs over  
49 Large number  
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Sforza predicts Hitler's next thrust

50 years ago in the Phi - "Hitler's next thrust will probably be at Spain and Portugal," Count Carlo Sforza predicts one week before he leaves Washington and Lee to continue his 20-day lecture series. The series is sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace.

Five years ago in the Phi - The Kresge Foundation awards W&L a \$600,000 challenge grant toward construction of the university's Center for the Performing Arts. W&L has now received \$6 million in gifts or gift commitments for the \$9 million project.

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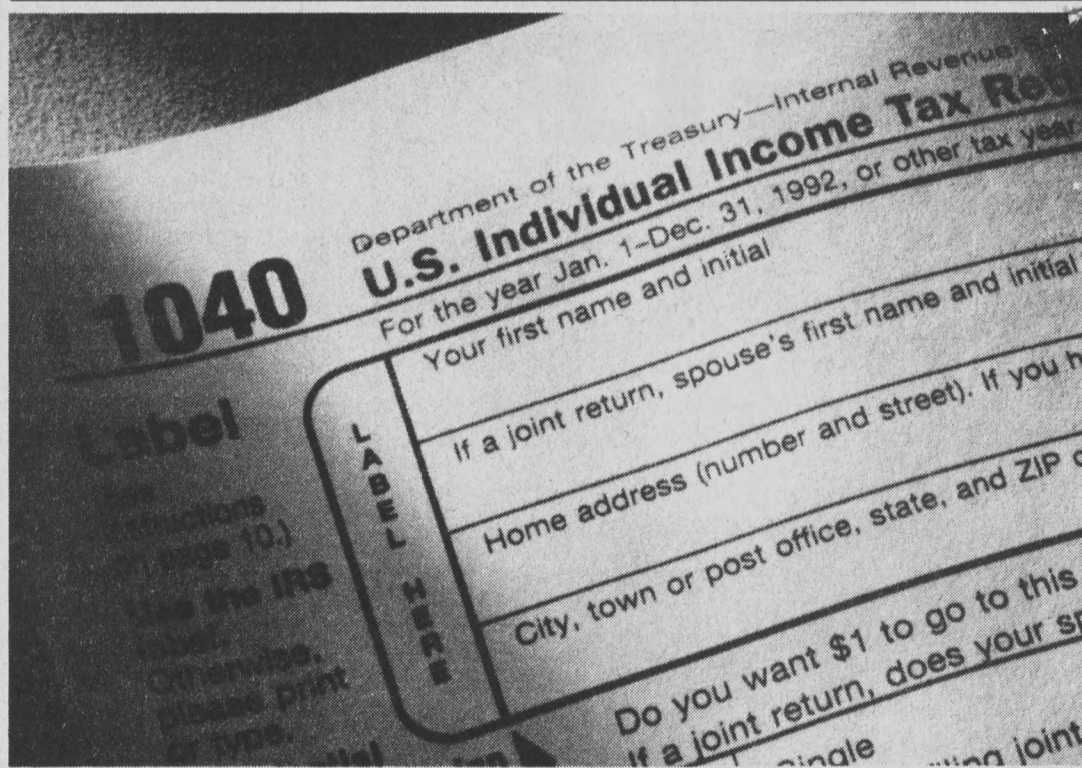
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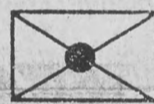
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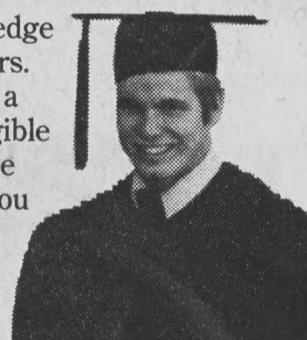
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# Women get their own IM athletic program

Canfield says 'potential is unlimited'

By MOLLY APTER  
Phi Staff Writer

Two-thirds of the student body are currently involved in the intramural program.

But all of those students are male.

"We are servicing the needs of only part of the student body," IM director Verne Canfield said.

That's about to change. Women's IM volleyball opens the door for the four sororities and a team of independent women to compete against one another in athletic events.

At the moment, only the four sororities on campus, Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Chi Omega and Kappa Alpha Theta, and the team of independents participate in the program.

Junior Phil McCoy, the student head of the IM program, says there have been efforts to include the women from the law school.

"I've asked three law school women, but have gotten no reply," McCoy said.

"The student in charge of the men's law school IM teams says the women would like to do it, but I haven't heard anything."

"We could have two leagues of three teams each [if the law school women participate]. It would be better," McCoy added.

The IM volleyball tournament was held last week. Not to take out any of the tension, but Kappa Alpha Theta has the enviable distinction of being crowned the champion in the first-ever IM event for women.

Theta entered the championship game against Kappa with an impres-

sive 4-0 mark. Kappa came into the match with a not-so-shabby mark of 3-1. But Theta proved to be too much, taking the championship belt by a count of two games to one.

Aside from the athletic competition, some women see intramurals as a way to help relations among W&L women.

"It's a good chance to get to know independent women and women in other sororities," said Chi O's Bethany Smith. "It's a chance to play some sports and have a good time."

McCoy wants to continue the women's IMs into the spring, while Canfield is developing plans to expand the program next year.

"Next year I'd like to have five or six events," Canfield said. "Teams could accumulate points and there would be an end-of-the-year overall champ."

"I've always been in favor of [a women's IM program]," Canfield added. "It's all about participation. Its potential is unlimited."



Canfield



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MARCH 18, 1993

# Weather wreaks havoc with spring sports

By SEAN O'ROURKE  
Phi Sports Editor

There was a commercial on television when I was growing up—I think it was for Land-O-Lakes Margarine—that had the best closing line in all of commercial history.

It went something like this—"It's not nice to fool with Mother Nature."

Well, someone on the East Coast sure got under ol' Mother Nature's skin because she came out of her corner this past week-end slugging.

The Great Storm of '93, no pardon me, the Storm of the Century dumped more than 16 inches of snow on Lexington (and most of the East for that matter) in an effort to show those she was aggravated with who was boss.

Millions of people suffered from the storm as did the Washington and Lee spring schedule. Event after event was either postponed or canceled; and when the snow has melted and the flowers of spring begin to open themselves to the invigorating sun, the spring schedules will still be suffering the effects of the Storm of the Century (sounds like a game show).

Oh where, Oh where do I start? I am one man reporting on eight sports. There's a logical solution, alphabetical order.

### Baseball—

Head coach Jeff Stickley seems to be in the worst position

of all spring sports coaches. You'll find a picture on this page somewhere of Smith Field, where the Generals play all their home baseball games. Granted, the picture was taken a few days ago, but you can imagine the amount of water the field has absorbed in the past five days.

"We can't get on the field," Stickley said. "A baseball field is different from a lacrosse field. It must be playable."

Right now it's not, and it hasn't been since mid-semester break when the team went on its annual Florida adventure.

"Since the Florida trip we've been on the field six days, in total (that includes practices, games, scrimmages)."

For now the team will work out indoors, and hopefully by Saturday the field will be in good enough shape to host the W&L-Virginia Wesleyan game.

Keep your fingers crossed.

### Golf—

Golfers are sort of like post-men, they can play through rain, high winds, scorching heat and cold temperatures. The one element impossible to play through is snow. Something about a little white ball and the white snow.

Head W&L golf coach Buck Leslie has the task of trying to get his team in enough matches so they will be ready for their annual run to nationals.

For junior captain Jimmy Kull, the loss of match-play hurts them because of their youth.

"It [the weather] most defi-

nately hurts our golf team because we are an extremely young team, with four freshmen playing," Kull said.

Kull says he thinks the layoff hurts the freshmen both mentally and physically, while the more experienced players will probably lose their physical edge.

Right now the team's schedule is up in the air. The matches planned for this week have been canceled, and even the one for Monday is in jeopardy.

### Lacrosse—

The real curse for the men's and women's lacrosse teams is not that their games were postponed. The real curse is that both games were key to their successes this season.

The men missed their shot at revenge against Roanoke, while the women lost a shot at lacrosse power Salisbury State. After psyching themselves up to play well, players on both squads had to come down and regroup.

The men are set to start the "second half" of their 1993 season by disposing of Lynchburg this afternoon. They have to bounce right back because the Storm of the Century has cut them a break in the schedule.

The team was to travel to Gettysburg to take on the highly-ranked Pennsylvania team. But the game has been moved to Lexington, either at Wilson Field or in Buena Vista, for Sunday at 2 p.m.

The women, however, are still in the dark as to their future plans.

The team was set to play at Roanoke today, but at the time this story was being written, no decision had been made on whether it was a go.

### Tennis—

The W&L tennis teams probably have the best chance to make up all the matches that have been canceled by the foul weather these past few months.

A tennis court dries relatively fast and barring any sort of precipitation, the teams can play their matches.

But this has a drawback, though. The more matches that need to be rescheduled, the less days the teams have to rest. That could prove costly down the stretch in terms of physical and mental sharpness.

Women's coach Cinda Rankin says the attitude of her team has been exemplary.

"They have been excellent about the erratic practice schedule," Rankin said. "They all have an attitude of 'we have to go on.'"

Men's captain Robbie MacNaughton thinks the team needs to make up their matches to improve their chances for the national tournament.

"It [the weather] hurt us in that we have to play as many matches as possible to work up from our low preseason ranking to have a chance at national," MacNaughton said.

### Track&Field—

The men's and women's outdoor track teams must have plenty



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The only sound that could be heard from the bleachers of Wilson Field was that of snow drifting over the metal seats. The men's lacrosse team hope to fill those stands on Sunday when national power Gettysburg pays the Generals a visit. Maybe then the sound from the bleachers will be that of rabid W&L fans cheering on their team to victory.

of the Irish in them because the weather has really had no significant effect on their schedules.

The men were able in their first meet of the outdoor season against Bridgewater before the

Storm of the Century dumped all the white stuff. But neither team has missed any meet because of the weather.

Both teams were not scheduled this week and have a better-

than-average shot at getting the Second Annual W&L Invitational in on Saturday.

A word to the wise — don't mess with Mother Nature. She can be really mean.

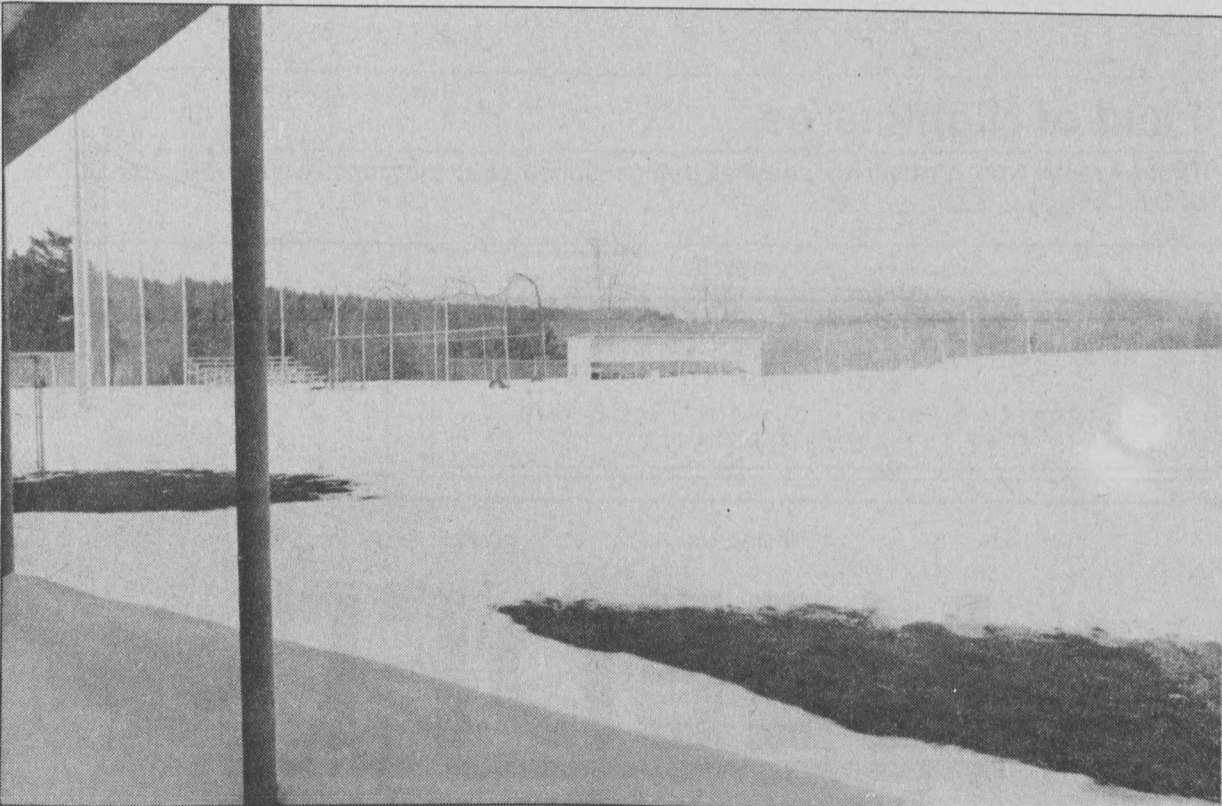


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Aside from the small sections of field that appear in the foreground, it would be impossible to tell if there truly was a Smith Field. The Generals baseball team will have to hope for sunny skies and a warm sun to help dry the field in time for Saturday's game.



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No aces will be served on courts in this condition. The weather of the past few days have cleared the way for the women's team to resume play at home. They will try to do so against top-ranked Kenyon on Saturday.

## SPORTS NOTEBOOK

There was some action last week.

The 20th-ranked W&L men's tennis team easily disposed of Nazareth on Friday, 9-0. The win upped the Generals season mark to 2-1.

The Generals lost only one set in pitching an impressive shutout. The match was supposed to be a tune-up for the showdown with regional rival Emory. But alas, the snow came and that was that.

Junior captain Robbie

MacNaughton, the 29th-ranked player in Division III, made short work of his Nazareth opponent, 6-0, 6-3.

The W&L women's team had to come from behind against Nazareth to pick up their fifth win of the season, 5-4.

The Generals were trailing 4-3 with first doubles and third doubles still competing. Sophomore Marilyn Baker and freshman Julie Ayers polished off their opponents. The third doubles team

of sophomore Melissa Malone and freshman Helen Chandler won it.

The Generals went 3-0 for the week, but they played without as many as three of their top six players. Sophomore Cathy Gartin and freshman Shelley Sunderman missed all three contests, while Ayers missed the Hollins match.

The W&L golf team opened their 1993 season with a second-place finish at the Bridgewater/ODAC Invitational.

The Generals ended the day with a 343, finishing 21 shots behind Randolph-Macon's winning score of 322. Freshman Gam Mattingly led the team with an 81.

The men's track and field squad kicked off their 1993 campaign with a 78-62 win over Bridgewater Friday.

Senior Bo Hannah and freshman Dax Mahoney paced the Generals with two wins apiece.

Hannah crossed the tape first in the

1,500- and 5,000-meter runs, while Mahoney sprinted his way to first-place finishes in the 200- and 400-meter dashes.

Finally, the women's swimming season was officially completed last weekend as senior Claire Dudley and freshman Rebekah Prince earned All-American honors.

Prince capped her phenomenal first season by earning first-team honors in the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke.

She finished seventh and sixth, respectively. Prince also earned honorable mention in the 200-IM for her 15th-place finish. Prince became the second W&L female swimmer to be a three-time All-American.

Dudley ended her brilliant four years at W&L by earning honorable mention All-American honors with her 16th-place finish in the 200-yard breaststroke. It was Dudley's fourth trip to the national meet.

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