

## Weekend Weather

Friday: Mostly cloudy, high in mid to upper 50s, rain possible  
Saturday: Cloudy with 80 percent chance of rain or thunderstorms, high in the 50s  
Sunday: High mid 60s, low 40s

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A student looks at AIDS prevention information during the candlelight vigil, Wednesday.

## AIDS awareness

### Students inform students about dangers, myths

By EMILY BAKER  
Phi Staff Writer

The Washington and Lee AIDS Education Project helped students observe World AIDS Day on December 1.

Members of the project put up posters of red ribbons on white backgrounds around campus to increase awareness. At an information table in front of the co-op, they distributed information and red ribbons.

"Some students have been really positive, but when we asked people to wear red ribbons, many just said 'No thanks,'" said member Meriwether Nichols.

The information distributed included the

phone number of the AIDS Hotline, 464-AIDS (2437). In addition, TV movies *And the Band Played On* and *Common Threads* played on a VCR were part of the display.

Luminaries placed outside the Leyburn Library marked the beginning of a candlelight vigil held at 7 p.m. Students were encouraged to light candles to show awareness.

Members of the project played public service announcements about HIV and AIDS, and continued to distribute information and ribbons.

Senior Patrick McDermott founded the AIDS Education Project last year.

"My intention was to increase the levels of education, awareness, and compassion for

people living with AIDS," he said. "I felt the issue was too big to be included in the multitude of issues the Health Education Committee had to deal with. I thought it deserved a committee or project of its own."

According to McDermott, the Centers for Disease Control ranked women, heterosexuals, college-age students and Southerners as groups with the fastest spreading rates for HIV.

"That puts W & L in the crosshairs of this plague," said McDermott.

The project has been met with a positive response from the W&L community.

"We've received tremendous support from the faculty, staff, and students," said McDermott.

## Vandals trash campus, town

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
Phi News Editor

Not everyone went on vacation last week — the Lexington Police and Washington and Lee Security were working hard.

Nov. 19, the Friday break began, someone broke over 30 windows on W&L's campus, continuing a streak of destruction that started downtown and continued to VMI.

Head of University Security Mike Young said someone broke windows in Washington Hall, Howe Hall and the Howe annex. The windows in Washington Hall broke when the vandal pulled two air conditioners out of the windows that flank the rear entrance to the hall. Young said the vandal probably broke the other windows with a stick or a baseball bat in a period of about 20 minutes.

"We found glass inside the class rooms about 20 feet from the windows," Young said, indicating the glass had been struck quite hard. Security did not find any blood, indicating that the vandal did not smash the windows with his fist.

The windows have already been replaced by W&L carpenters. Young said the glass damages were probably between \$300 and \$400.

A professor who was working late called security at about three a.m., saying that he heard a strange noise, Young said. At first, security only found an overturned trash can, but soon discovered the broken windows. Security then called the Lexington Police at 3:16 a.m.

Lexington Police Lieutenant S.E. Crowder said a vandal also broke the glass door of Wendell's barbershop on Jefferson St., and the windshield of senior Anthony Catalano's car, which was parked on Washington St. the same night.

Crowder said the police suspected VMI cadets of causing the damage. However, a police interview with the suspected cadets proved that they were innocent. The police investigation is continuing.

VMI Public Relations Representative Colonel Mike Strickler said that one house on the VMI post and the guardroom on VMI's campus had windows broken. Strickler said post police left the investigation to the Lexington Police. Strickler did not know about the cadets under investigation.

According to Crowder, a vandal also damaged two businesses in Lexington later in the week, in

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## Chi Psi handed social probation

By MELISSA SAWYER  
Phi Staff Writer

Chi Psi has received social probation for the third time this year.

The fraternity received the penalty for failing to clean their house after pre-Thanksgiving parties.

Chi Psi President John Hudson said the fraternity has a hard time getting the house cleaned, but emphasized the penalty was not the result of a "lodge destruction" as in the case of Phi Kap earlier this year. Because Chi Psi is not a part of the fraternity renaissance project, it doesn't have a contract with a cleaning service. Therefore, the responsibility of cleaning the house rests solely with the brothers and pledges.

Hudson says this is sometimes difficult and the members don't always have enough

time to get it done by the next morning (the deadline stipulated by the Housing Corporation). Hudson said the fraternity is always cleaned at least by the next evening.

Chi Psi's Housing Corporation President handed down the punishment which puts them on social probation for two weeks in January. The penalty was originally four weeks, but the brothers agreed to do some special clean-up activities which allowed them to avoid the final two weeks.

Hudson said that the inspector who wrote up the report told him the penalty was not designed to make the house suffer, but was handed down to make the members get the building cleaned up on time.

Chi Psi is due to receive a cleaning service by September of next year. The house currently receives cleaning services once or twice a month before

especially big parties.

Hudson blamed the problems that have plagued Chi Psi partly on the InterFraternity Council. He said the IFC gave his house the previous social probationary period because the house had not registered a party. Hudson, however, said many people believed his house had received the probation because of the nature of the party—a hall crawl at which a partygoer reportedly got sick.

"The IFC policy on hall crawls is unclear," Hudson said.

He claimed the council needs to enforce rules and penalties more consistently, and the council needs to specify the offense to all of the houses, not just the one in question. Without consistent enforcement, he said, the IFC seems to be picking on certain houses.

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## Rape reports drop

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
Phi News Editor

Rape and sexual assault education programs at Washington and Lee may finally be getting the message across to students.

For the last four years, Associate Dean of Students and Counseling Psychologist Anne Schroer-Lamont has conducted a sexual assault and rape survey

of freshman women.

Of last year's freshman class of 155 women, 124 responded to the survey; an 80 percent response rate. The percentage of responses has been fairly consistent in the four years of the survey.

Eight women of the 124 who participated reported they had been sexually assaulted or raped after coming to W&L. Two reported they were assaulted at

another school while attending W&L. That means one out of 15 freshman women was raped or assaulted.

In the first and second years of the survey, that number was one out of seven. In the third year, there was a decrease to one out of nine. This year's number is the lowest in the history of the survey.

"That's progress," said Schroer-Lamont. "We did a whole lot more education last year than before. It would seem reasonable to assume that students are getting the message."

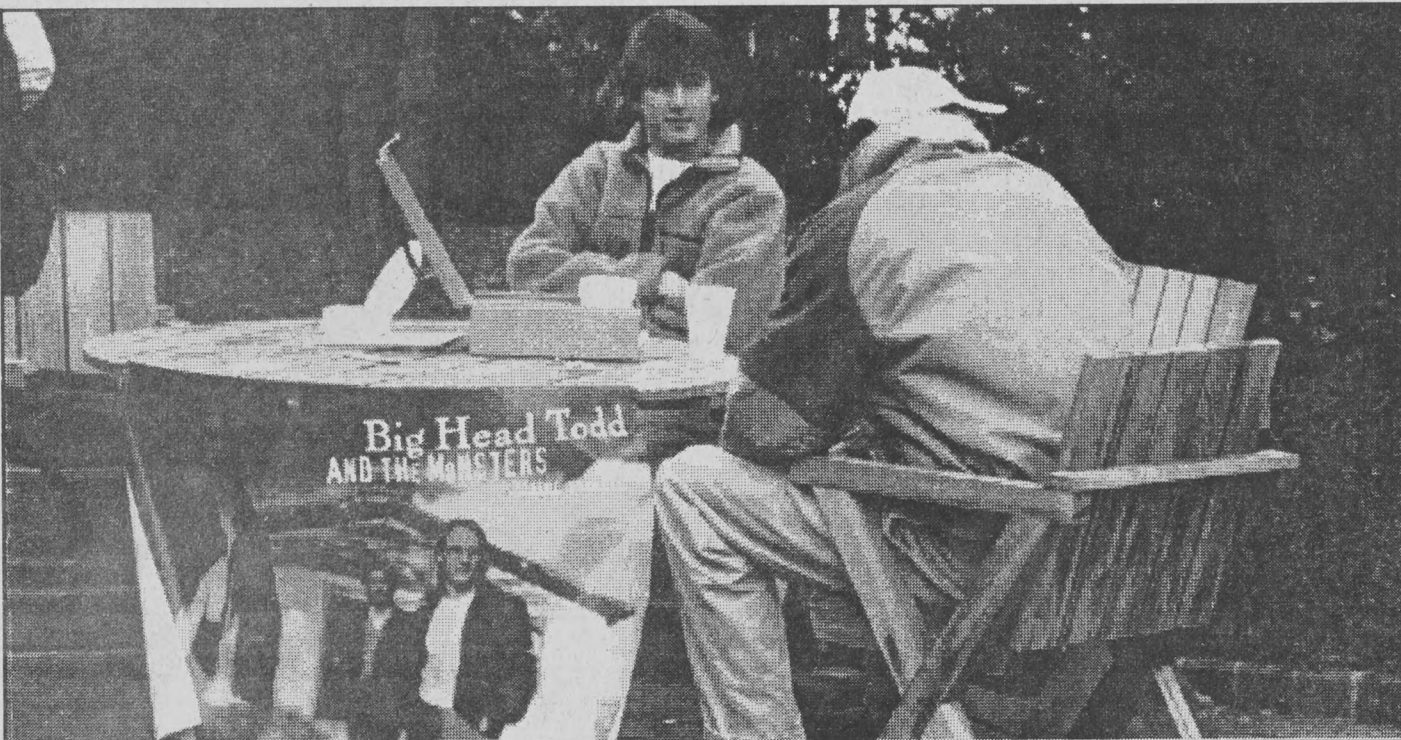
Schroer-Lamont emphasized that the survey is confidential. Neither victims' names nor their attackers' names are listed anywhere on the survey. Nor are specific experience descriptions used or published anywhere other than in the survey report.

She also stressed the survey probably does not give a complete picture of sexual assault on campus. Not all freshman women participated in the survey, and of the women who participated, not all may have reported incidents of rape or sexual harassment.

Only freshman women participate in the survey, which means the experience of upperclass women are not calculated.

The survey includes graphic

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SAB workers outside the Co-op, selling tickets for Big Head Todd, the second annual Christmas concert.

## Big Head Todd hits Pavilion tonight

By YABIZ SEDGHI  
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Big Head Todd and the Monsters will rock the Pavilion tonight at SAB's revival of Christmas Weekend concerts.

The Monsters with Michelle Malone will kick-off the night at 8:30. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$10 or at the door for \$12. The band features guitarist, keyboardist and vocalist Todd Parker Mohr; bassist and backup vocalist Rob Squires and

drummer and backup vocalist Brian Nevin.

According to John Kleckley, SAB chairman, Big Head Todd was SAB's first choice for Christmas Weekend entertainment. Kleckley said SAB had wanted Big Head Todd to appear Homecoming, but due to the band's busy schedule they were unable to do so.

Among the band's releases is their latest CD from Giant Records, *Sister Sweetly*, which includes the hit "Broken Hearted Saviour." Earlier this year, Big Head Todd and the

Monsters appeared in the H.O.R.D.E. festival (Horizons of Rock Developing Everywhere) along with Widespread Panic, Blues Traveller, Col. Bruce Hampton and the Aquarium Rescue Unit, Allgood and the Samples. Sophomore Erika Van Helden saw them.

"They're great. I'm definitely going," she commented.

Sophomore Chris Scheve, who has never heard of Big Head Todd, said "I'm going because of Michelle Malone, she's great."

## Legalities deter rape reports

Part two of a two part series

Everyone encourages victims of rape and sexual assault to report what happened to them to the police or campus judicial bodies.

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
Phi News Editor

But it's not hard to understand why not many do. Lexington Police Chief Bruce Beard said the police complaint process takes about two hours. Although the police try to make the process as easy and as sensitive as possible, the very nature of the crime calls for the police to ask some difficult, graphic questions.

Beard explained the process a rape victim undergoes at the police station when she comes in to report a rape.

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## BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

### The World



#### World AIDS Day observed

Governments around the world acknowledged World AIDS Day Thursday by calling for better education and prevention methods. The World Health Organization has estimated that 13 million people worldwide are infected with HIV. According to WHO, that figure may triple in the next seven years.

### The Nation



#### Shuttle embarks on mission to fix disabled Hubble telescope

After a day's worth of delays, the space shuttle Endeavor Thursday embarked on its mission to repair the Hubble Space Telescope. The shuttle carried seven astronauts and 11 new parts for the telescope into orbit. The astronauts are expected to make five spacewalks to repair the telescope, which suffers from failed gyroscopes and a defective reflecting mirror, among other things. The shuttle's mission will span over 11 days.

#### Polar bear attacks, mauls man

Those crazy polar bears are at it again. A man who was watching television at an Air Force radar station in Anchorage, Alaska Wednesday was rather surprised when an 8-foot polar bear peered in the window. The man, Donald Chaffin, attempted to shoo the huge beast away with a rolled-up newspaper.

Big mistake.

The polar bear crashed through the window and attacked Chaffin, mauling his face, neck and chest before another man could shoot it to death. Chaffin was listed in serious condition at an Anchorage hospital Wednesday.

#### Subpoenas issued in Jackson case

Twelve people were subpoenaed Thursday in the Michael Jackson sexual molestation case. Another was ordered to report to police for questioning in the case. Police questioned Ben Brown, a longtime Jackson associate, on Thursday. Brown told reporters that he has known the Jacksons for 25 years and thought Michael Jackson's close association with children would leave him open for allegations of sexual abuse. Brown is publishing a book on the Jacksons called "In the Eye of the Storm," to be released next year.

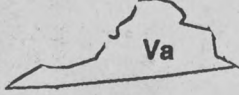
#### Officials examine penalties for violations of new Brady Law

Washington officials are looking into the possibility that gun sellers may ignore the 5-day waiting period required by the newly-enacted Brady Law. The Brady Law states that gun sellers can lose their license for six months and be fined up to \$5,000 if they ignore the 5-day waiting period or fail to send in background check documents on a gun purchaser. Twenty-seven states will have to comply with the Brady Law. The other 23 already perform background checks on gun purchasers and are exempt.

#### U.S. Senators press for violent video game rating system

Video games may be subject to a rating system if two United States senators have their way. Senator Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut and Senator Herbert Kohl of Wisconsin voiced concerns about violent video games, particularly Mortal Kombat and Night Trap, two titles distributed by Sega. Lieberman said he preferred that Congress ban the video games, but added that they are constitutionally protected under the First Amendment. Bob Keeshan, a.k.a. TV's Captain Kangaroo, offered support of the two senators at a press conference on Wednesday. Sega claims that it already rates its video games.

### The State



#### Sara Lee jury duty case resolved

A federal judge Wednesday ordered the Sara Lee Corporation to reinstate an employee who claimed that he was fired because he was assigned to a lengthy term of jury duty. U.S. District Judge James Michael, Jr. ordered Sara Lee to pay back wages and rehire Andrew Perkins, who was fired after he spent five weeks on jury duty in a drug case. Federal law prohibits an employer from firing an employee on grounds related to jury duty. Sara Lee was also assessed a \$3,000 fine for violating the law.

#### Larouche to be released in Jan.

Lyndon Larouche is anxiously awaiting his release from federal custody next month. Larouche, who has run for president every four years since 1976, has been serving a 15-year sentence for mail fraud and conspiracy, crimes he committed in illegally raising campaign funds.

# Santa brings festivities

By ETHAN KRUPP  
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Beta Theta Pi: Uncle Mingo at the Boiler Room on Saturday with Phi Delta Theta

Chi Psi: Cocktail party with faculty on Friday afternoon. Band party with The Purple Schoolbus on Saturday.

Delta Tau Delta: Christmas theme cocktail and dinner party on Saturday

Kappa Alpha: Band party with the

Stegmonds on Saturday

Kappa Sigma: Before and after concert parties on Friday

Tape party on Saturday

Lambda Chi Alpha: Tape party on Friday

Band party with Doug Clark & the Hot Nuts

Phi Delta Theta: Uncle Mingo at the Boiler Room on Saturday with Beta Theta Pi

Phi Gamma Delta: Gift exchange,

followed by dinner and party on Saturday. Christmas party with Kappa for area kids on Sunday.

Phi Kappa Psi: Band party with New Potato Caboose on Saturday

Phi Kappa Sigma: Cocktail and dinner party on Saturday

Pi Kappa Alpha: Band party with Lost in the Supermarket on Saturday

Pi Kappa Phi: Cocktail party before concert on Friday

Cocktail and dinner party followed

by band party with On Beyond Z

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Faculty cocktail party on Friday

Band party with Three Gentlemen and a Lady on Saturday

Sigma Chi: Band party with the Freds on Saturday

Sigma Nu: Faculty cocktail party on Friday

Formal party on Saturday

Sigma Phi Epsilon: Band party with Alchemy on Saturday

# Wills speaks on Declaration

By DEBORAH ZOLLMAN  
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Photo by Bethany Smith, The Ring-tum Phi

Wills speaks on the Declaration of Independence in Lee Chapel

On Tuesday at 8 p.m., Washington and Lee welcomed Atlanta-born Gary Wills, professor, writer, and lecturer to Lee Chapel.

Wills received his Ph.D. in Classics from Yale in 1961, wrote 17 books, and received the Pulitzer prize for his latest book, *Lincoln at Gettysburg*.

Wills began his speech asking the audience, "Which Declaration of Independence do we read?" He explained there are actually three Declarations of Independence rather than the one we acknowledge on the Fourth of July each year.

Jefferson's original draft of the declaration was the first. This draft included several passages on slavery that Wills quoted, which were not included in the second version of the declaration. The second version of the Declaration of Independence resulted when Congress edited Jefferson's original.

Wills contended that the declaration we read today is the one Lincoln read. Lincoln's Gettysburg Address is

"a normative document to tell how we should interpret the Constitution." Lincoln reread Jefferson's declaration. Possibly, he misread Jefferson's document to make it more encompassing.

"Political misreading is common throughout history and often leads to positive results," he said.

Wills said the Gettysburg Address was "the third most important document in our nation's history because it made the other two [the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution] more important."

Wills continued, saying this was not a bad thing historically. He said, "Jefferson meant to mean more than he meant" when he was writing the Declaration of Independence. He went on to answer the question he began with, stating "it is his [Lincoln's] declaration that is read, because it is ours."

Wills remained to answer questions from audience members. Some questions which were fielded had to do with the relationship of Jefferson's ideology and John Locke's, the nineteenth century trend of consciousness of progress, and the idea of an aristocratic society embracing egalitarian ideals.

# Mock Convention readies for '96

By MELISSA SAWYER  
Phi Staff Writer

Planning for the 1996 Mock Convention is underway.

The event, which every election year makes Washington and Lee the focus of national political and media attention, is designed to accurately predict the presidential candidate of the opposition party.

The Washington and Lee Mock Convention is the most accurate of its kind. Out of the past twenty conventions, the students of W&L have accurately predicted the nominee fifteen times. The event is a \$250,000 production attended by news broadcasters such as NBC, CBS, CNN, and The McNeil-Lehrer Report.

The first meeting for the 1996 Republican Convention was held on Wednesday, Nov. 17. More than 100 students attended this informational session

where they were shown footage of past conventions and given applications for the three major positions on the Mock Convention Committee: General Chairman, Political Chairman and Personnel Chairman.

The tri-chair applications were due on Friday, Nov. 19. Ted Elliot, one of the selection committee members, cautioned potential applicants.

"I wasn't even a tri-chair, and I spent about 35-hours a week working on the convention," he warned.

Sarah Butler, also a selection committee member, added the planning process is also "lots of fun."

The first round of tri-chair candidates were chosen over Thanksgiving Break. The final selection will be made after an extensive interview process culminating next term.

Another selection committee member, Tim Moorhead, said the 1996 convention will be as different from past conventions in as much as the tri-chairs want it to be. He said, however, "it will be the first

Republican convention in sixteen years."

Moorhead expects student interest to be greater because the student body is predominantly Republican.

Moorhead said there are opportunities for leadership for both sophomores and freshmen. At the informational meeting, however, Elliot discouraged freshmen from applying for the tri-chair positions. He said freshmen would be unlikely to fulfill the requirements of those positions: full-time commitment to the committee, a working knowledge of Republican politics and viable connections within the party, as well as excellent communication, managerial, and writing skills. Elliot added that nearly every student participates in some way.

One task of the tri-chairs is to secure speakers for the event. Past conventions have hosted such speakers as Tip O'Neill, Michael Dukakis, Mario Cuomo, Jimmy Carter, Richard Nixon, and Barry Goldwater.



Publicity Photo

Director Roseanne Cornbrooks ('94) makes a last-minute adjustment to Jason Shaffer's ('97) costume prior to rehearsal. *The Lady's Not for Burning* will show December 3-8. Call the Lenfest Center Box Office for ticket information: 463-8000.

# Lenfest Center to host witch hunt

By BUNNY WONG  
Phi Staff Writer

Most seniors slave over papers for their senior research projects, but not senior Roseanne Cornbrooks.

Cornbrooks has been slaving over *The Lady's Not For Burning* for her senior thesis project. Cornbrooks is an English and theatre major.

The play, put on by the Washington and Lee Theatre Department, was written by Christopher Fry.

"We think he's still alive," said Cornbrooks.

Fry often wrote about the darker side of life, but tempered his writing with humor and wit.

The play, a romance/comedy, is set in the fifteenth century when Thomas Mendip (played by senior Jeff Mikita), a young man who has been fighting in Flanders for seven years, is discharged from the army and goes to the town of

Cool Clary.

Upon arriving in town, he goes to a pub where he hears about a witch hunt. Thomas decides to intervene and save the witch, whom he has not met. When he does meet her, he is struck by the beautiful accused witch Jennet Jourdemayne (played by sophomore Jeanne Dillon).

Although Thomas starts out as a disillusioned soldier, he ends up falling for (surprise!) Jennet.

The play, however, does not totally center around Jennet and Thomas.

"It's very much an ensemble piece," said Cornbrooks.

*Lady* takes place in the rooms of Mayor Hebble Tyson (James Scales, '93L), who has two nephews, Nicolas (Denis Riva, '97) and Humphrey (Brian McClung, '95). The nephews along with the clerk, Richard (John Boyd, '96) all fall in love Alizon (Dana Lawrence, '94).

Together the characters bring the play together in funny antics, while the play explores life's meanings on a deeper level.

"I've learned a lot," said Cornbrooks of her project.

Performance dates for *The Lady's Not For Burning* are December 3, 4, 6 and 8 at 8:00 p.m.; and December 4 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the Lenfest Box Office (463-8000).



Publicity Photo  
Senior Jeff Mikita and Sophomore Jeanne Dillon in costume



# Reporting rape can be traumatic too

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Everyone encourages victims of rape and sexual assault to report what happened to them to the police or campus judicial bodies.

But it's not hard to understand why not many do.

Lexington Police Chief Bruce Beard said the police complaint process takes about two hours. Although the police try to make the process as easy and as sensitive as possible, the very nature of the crime calls for the police to ask some difficult, graphic questions.

Beard explained the process a rape victim undergoes at the police station when she comes in to report a rape.

"We try to calm the victim as much as possible and then we try to get a representative of the Rockbridge Area Coalition Against Sexual Assault to come in and sit with the woman.

"We also like for the victim to come in with a close friend or relative. We have to file a report, and if it's possible we have our female officer take the report," said Beard.

"It's a rather detailed report. The victim has to be examined by a doctor. They gather evidence (such as semen and blood samples) that has to be sent away [to be analyzed]. We keep the victim's underclothing. If there is a suspect we'll call him in and take evidence from him, and keep his underclothing. I'm sure that's embarrassing for the victim to have to go through.

"We have to ask some embarrassing questions. That's why we try to get the female officer to take the report. We have to ask if penetration took place;

that's one of the main questions. We also have to ask if she resisted and advised him that she didn't want to participate," he said.

Beard said the woman will spend at least an hour at the hospital and at least an hour at the police station. And that is at the beginning of a long trial process.

If the police can get probable cause on a suspect when the report is made, they get a warrant through the magistrate and arrest the man as soon as possible.

Beard said the time from the arrest to the actual trial date varies from case to case.

"It depends on how many witnesses you have to subpoena and how long it takes to get the lab results back, and how many times the defendant asks for a continuation," Beard said.

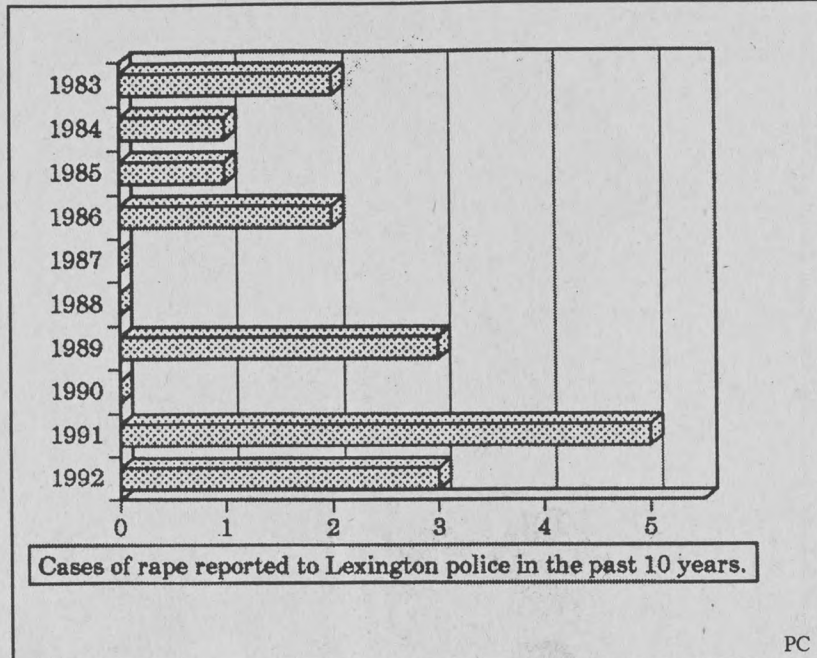
"The attorney tries to dig up new evidence — he'll do everything he can to get the defendant off. Maybe a witness will perjure him/herself with an alibi. There may be some tests that the defense conducts that take some time to get results back," he said.

Beard added the trial almost always depends on attorneys and not the witnesses.

"They'll do everything they can to get the victim upset and confused," Beard said. He said he thought women judges and lawyers would probably be more understanding.

"[The woman] becomes a victim in two ways," Beard said, "through the attacker and through the judicial system. I'm not saying the judicial system is wrong, but it needs to be overhauled."

Washington and Lee also offers sev-



eral options for rape victims who report their attackers.

The first step is to go to Associate Dean of Students and University Mediator Anece McCloud. McCloud explains the possible options to the victims. Victims can go to the police or ask to be referred to the Student Faculty Hearing Board. If the victim is not ready to move to either of those steps, McCloud offers them the options of mediation or simply not doing anything.

If the victim wants to go to the police, she follows the procedure Beard outlined above.

If the victim decides to go to the

SFHB, she fills out a Form for Reporting of Sexual Misconduct. The woman is asked to give the name of the attacker and the type of sexual misconduct. She is then asked to describe what happened and list witnesses if possible. Then the accused is asked to come to McCloud's office. McCloud explains to the accused what the charge is against him and tells him the case is going before the SFHB.

After that she prepares a memorandum and sends it to the SFHB.

From there the SFHB handles things. Cecile West-Settle, who heads the SFHB, said after the committee receives the accuser's written complaint, the committee appoints coordinators who contact the accused. The coordinators help both the complainant and the accused to contact advisers. Advisers can be any student within the W&L community, and are usually law students. The accused then has 48-hours to prepare his statement and to submit a witness list to the committee.

After the accused has submitted his report, the parties swap statements. The complainant then has 48-hours to adjust her list of witnesses in accordance with the accused's statement. After everybody is done revising, witness lists are exchanged. The SFHB then chooses which witnesses will testify and a trial date is set. Character witnesses are excluded from the hearing and only those witnesses who can testify as to the actual event are asked to come. The accused and the complainant cannot talk to each other's witnesses before the trial.

"This is to ensure due process," said West-Settle. "We are not a vigilante squad. Our role is to assure that when there is a hearing involving sexual misconduct that we be fair to both parties involved."

McCloud emphasized that the proceedings are confidential. All parties involved are advised that discussing

the complaint or the names of witnesses is a violation of the harassment policy. Section 5j. of that policy states students violating that policy may be sanctioned by the SFHB. McCloud added that no action is taken beyond what the accuser requests, so the SFHB could never bring someone to a proceeding of its own accord.

Both West-Settle and McCloud stressed that the University procedure does not determine criminal guilt or innocence. Only the court system can do that. The SFHB hearing is to determine if the accused broke the behavior codes of the university, and if so, what action should be taken. The SFHB can impose punishments including but not limited to counseling, probation, suspension or dismissal.

Decisions can be appealed by delivering a written appeal to the Appeals Board. The Board consists of the Dean of Students, the president of the Executive Committee, and the senior faculty member of the Student Affairs Committee. The accused has 72-hours after the SFHB decision to deliver his appeal to the Dean of Students. Grounds for appeal include: penalty too harsh, new information, or lack of due process.

McCloud and West-Settle also noted that victims of sexual assault who attend other schools but are assaulted at W&L can also use the W&L judiciary system. However, members of the W&L community who are assaulted on other campuses cannot. So, for example, if a woman from Sweet Briar were assaulted by a W&L male she could try him through the W&L system. But if a W&L woman were sexually assaulted by a University of Virginia male, she could not try him through W&L. She would have to go through UVa systems.

The University also offers several counseling options for rape or sexual assault victims. The University has two professional counseling psychologists: James Worth and Associate Dean of Students Anne Schroer-Lamont. Peer counselors are available anytime and their names are on posters around campus. The University also has a confidential support group for victims of rape and sexual assault. Lexington and Rockbridge County also offer support for victims through organizations like Rockbridge Area Coalition Against Sexual Assault (RACASA) and Project Horizon, a support group for victims of domestic violence and assault.

## Student denied abuse

By MICHELLE BRIEN  
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Rape and sexual assault appear to be crimes that are easily definable. Surely, a woman would immediately know if she were being sexually assaulted or raped.

Not necessarily.

Take the case of Elizabeth. (She requested only her first name be used.) During her freshman year, she dated a Virginia Military Institute cadet for a period of four months. In that time, her boyfriend manipulated her emotionally in order to gain sex from her.

"He was very abusive in subtle ways," Elizabeth said. "He was manipulative and aggressive, but not physically violent."

"It wasn't something that happened right as we started dating. It was a long time brewing," she said.

She explained her boyfriend also used scare tactics to gain sex from her.

"He used to argue me around and around. He used to stare me down, 15 to 20 minutes just staring at me. After hours and hours of arguing I would do anything to be back to normal. That's what he used — my need for peace and quiet. To get back to normal, we had to have sex."

"I remember being bruised after having sex with him.

There would be [black and blue] finger marks on my ribcage where he had held me," Elizabeth said.

She said she knew she wasn't happy in the relationship, and the two fought constantly. But she said it was not until her gender roles class discussed date rape that she realized what had happened to her.

"It was like a car accident [I was in]," Elizabeth said. "As long as the car stopped moving, anything to make it stop. For me, that was sex."

Elizabeth admitted her case would be hard to prove in court.

"I don't have anything that I could use [in my defense]," Elizabeth said. "No pictures, no evidence, no witnesses, nothing."

But she does have the emotional evidence of abuse.

"It's hard to deal with," she said. "I certainly denied it. Even when I knew what it was called I denied it. I had a physiological response: migraines. I didn't start counseling until months later."

Elizabeth also joined a confidential group counseling program.

Her case exemplifies why so many women are afraid to go to the police or to University systems to report their attackers — it's simply one person's word against another's.

*Il Palazzo*

## Christmas Week-end

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### Group Take-out Dinners -

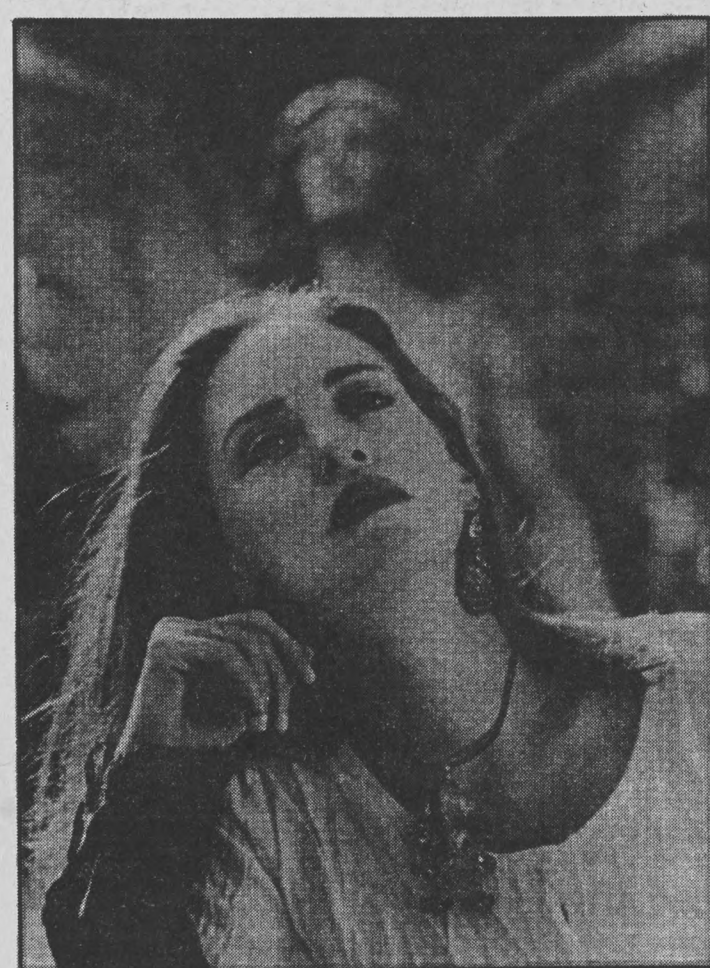
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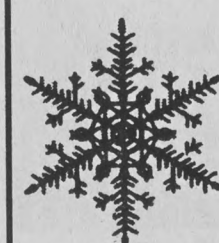
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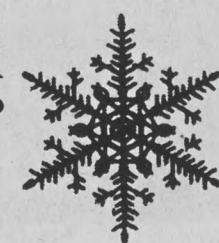
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# Vandals damage W&L and VMI

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what was possibly a related incident. On the night of Nov. 23, both the Willson-Walker House and Sunday's Child on Main Street were vandalized. The vandal damaged the menu chalkboard in front of Willson-Walker House and flower pots in front of Sunday's Child.

Crowder said that the vandalism of Lee Chapel in which toilet paper was wrapped around the Chapel's doors and surrounding trees was not reported to police.

In other police news, the cops did have a bit of good luck while we were gone.

Police arrested a thief who stole compact disks from W&L students' cars earlier this term.

According to W&L Head of Security Mike Young, the cops nabbed the thief thanks to information provided by W&L Security Officer Larry Stewart. The Lexington Police officer who handled the case, Gary Coleman, had not responded to six phone calls at press time.

The Lexington Police also reported the return of the runaway child they searched for just before Thanksgiving break. The boy came back to his parents' house at about 8:15 a.m. on Nov. 18. The boy told his father he had been hiding in a clump of pine trees. Crowder said there is a dense clump of pine trees

near the Lime Kiln Area where the police made their helicopter search. Police couldn't see him from the helicopter because the trees blocked their view.

In county police news, one W&L student returned home from break to find to local youths had illegally entered his house.

Senior Jeb Tilly said he returned to Lexington a day early from break. When he got to his Rte. 1 home, he discovered someone had broken down the door. He heard something moving around upstairs and decided to investigate.

"I walked up the stairs and flicked on the light," Tilly said. "I saw a girl hiding in the closet. That's when a guy who had been hiding behind the door bolted."

"I fought with him for about ten minutes as I was trying to keep him from escaping," Tilly said. "Then, as I was trying to open my room up to call the police, he attacked me. He pulled a flashlight out of his coat, ran at me and tried to hit me. But before he could hit me I grabbed the flashlight out of his hand and beat him five or six times over the head with his own flashlight. But while I had him bent over he hit me in the nuts and ran out the door. I threw the flashlight at him but I missed."

Tilly said he filed a report with the county police. The sheriff's fingerprinted and took photographs.

The county police did not respond to six phone calls made to the sheriff's office as of press time.

## Faculty to vote on mid-fall break

By THOMAS HESPOS  
Phi News Editor

What would you do with a four-day break from classes in the middle of October?

Well start thinking. "The Faculty Executive Committee...voted to implement a Fall break," said Dean of Students David Howison.

According to Howison, the Faculty EC voted in favor of a break from classes on a Thursday and Friday in October, thus giving students a four-

day long weekend. The additional break would not take time away from other breaks. The Faculty EC's recommendation will go before the entire faculty on Monday.

The break has been approved in principle, but now must meet the approval of the faculty when they meet on Monday.

"The faculty must approve any changes in calendar," said Howison.

Howison said a three-day weekend was voted down last year by the faculty, but this year's proposal showed "strong support in the Faculty EC."

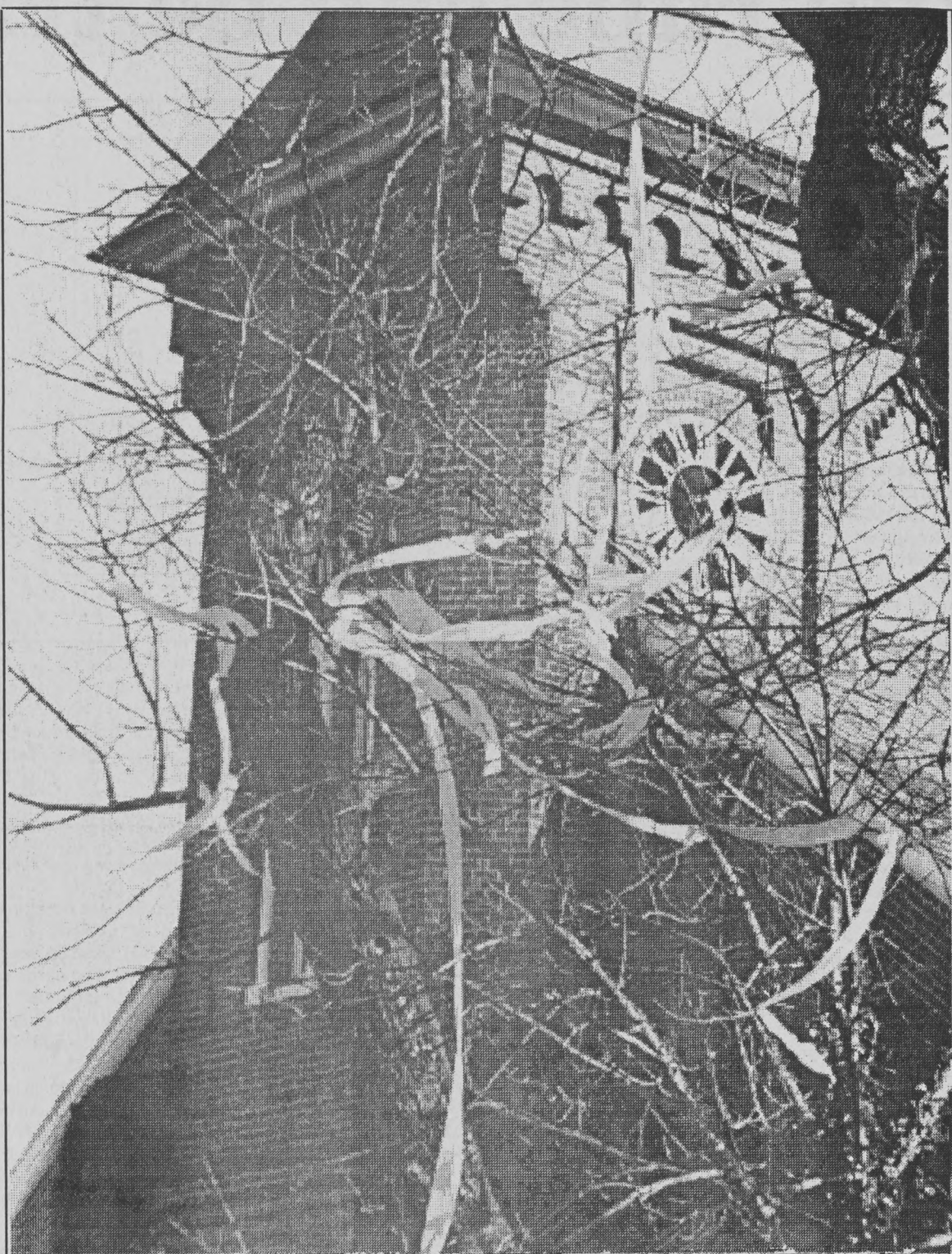


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## New-fangled Christmas decorations

Lee Chapel found itself decorated for the holidays in ribbons of toilet paper. The paper was wrapped around the Chapel doors and nearby trees late Sunday night. Lexington Police said that no complaints have been filed. Police added that since the Chapel was not actually damaged, they could only file a complaint without taking any action.

## Chi Psi gets third probation

→CHI PSI, from page 1

Chi Psi has been cited for three violations so far this year. Hudson said that while the house's location and proximity to campus is certainly a factor, few IFC members' houses seem to have received similar penalties. Hudson said "people are still breaking the rules. We just seem to get caught more often."

IFC Vice President Ryan Donaldson said certain houses consistently don't register their parties.

"The IFC does not try to target specific houses," he said.

Donaldson said the IFC members just want to do their job.

"I don't think they play favorites," he said.

Donaldson said the IFC did try to cut the houses some slack in regards to party registrations.

Hudson said the IFC seems to enforce hazing violations in a similarly sporadic way.

"People are always getting away with stuff," he said. "Some houses have reduced hazing in the last three years, but people are still breaking the rules."

At an IFC meeting on Tuesday night, however, the council emphasized that the rules prohibiting fraternities from having kegs will be enforced, as well as the deferred pledgeship rules. The council asked the fraternities' representatives to comment on the enforcement procedures for violations. Nobody responded.

Dean of Students for Greek Affairs Leroy "Buddy" Atkins said Christmas weekend is traditionally an especially hard time for pledges, and that the rules would be enforced. Atkins emphasized that some of the traditional activities like scavenger hunts and Christmas tree patrols should not be encouraged, because they encourage honor violations and criminal behavior. The brothers "should be providing supervision and guidance to the pledges," he said.

Atkins stated that other rules, such as the GPA requirement for fraternity membership and the submission of written pledge programs would also be stringently enforced.

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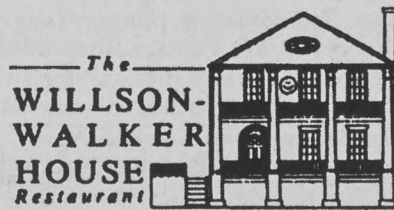
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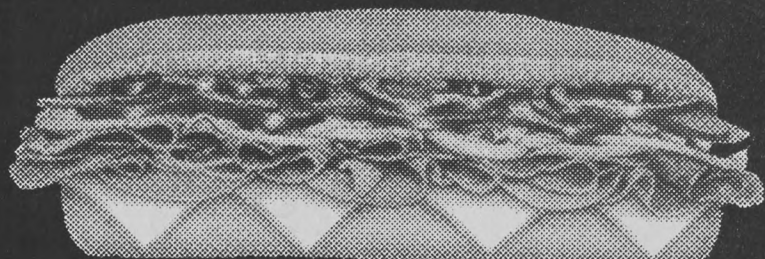
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# W&L Life

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### Development group brings holiday cheer to downtown

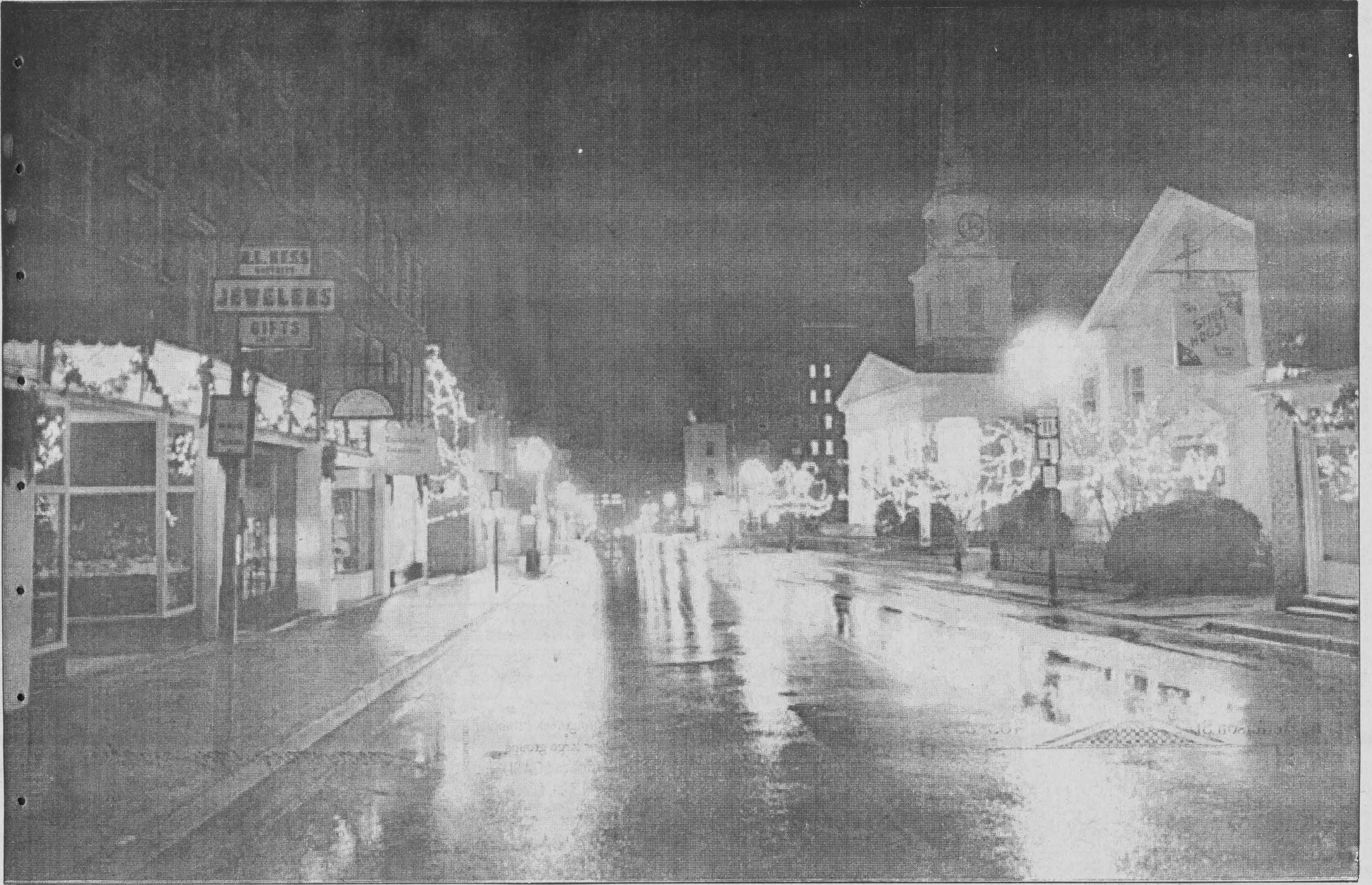


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December nights on Main Street mean brightly lit trees and street lamps ringed with wreaths. Some downtown businesses are also offering special discounts as part of the Lexington holiday spirit.

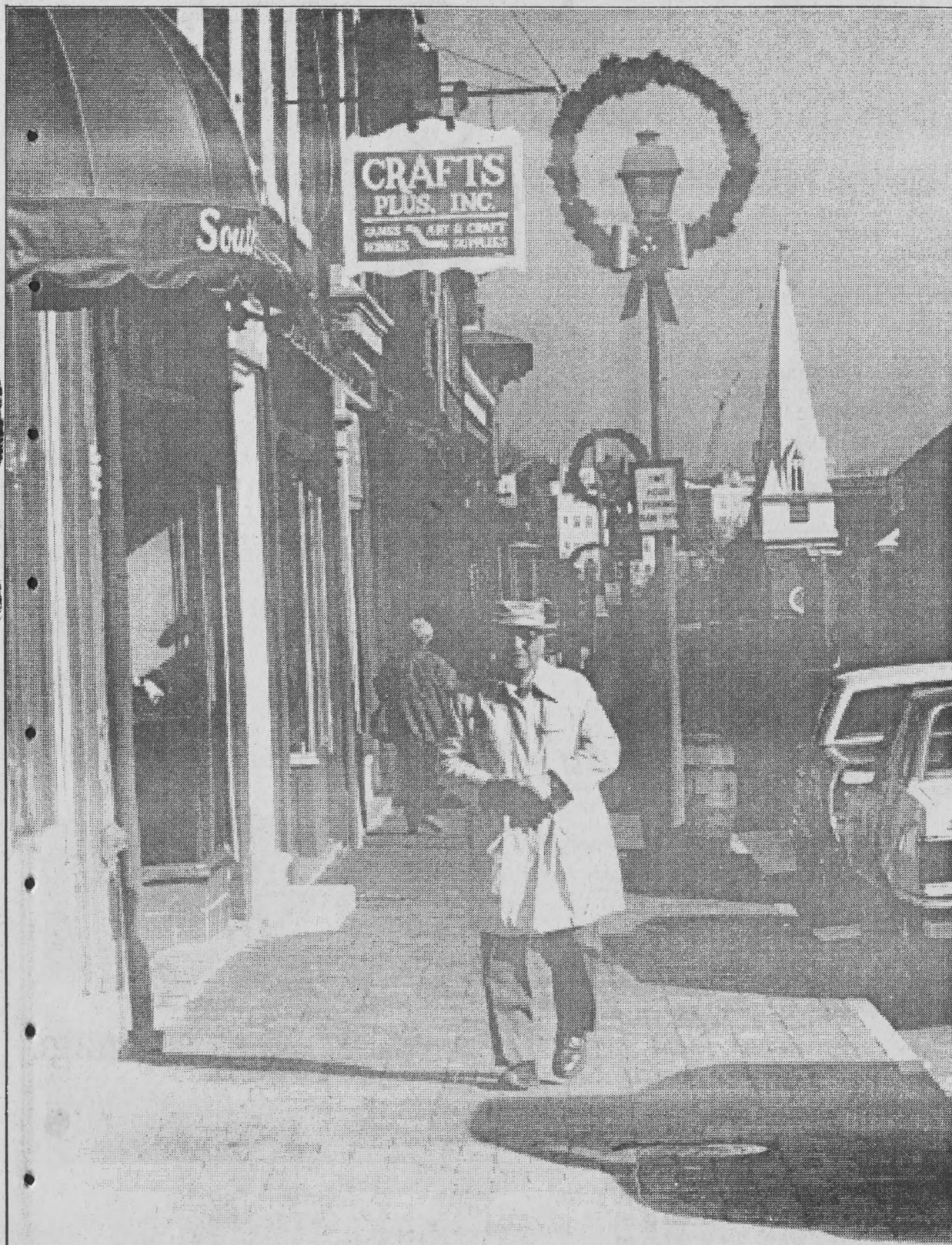


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Decked out with wreaths and lights, Main Street flaunts its yearly Christmas outfit — compliments of the Lexington Downtown Development Association.

By DEBORAH ZOLLMANN  
Phi Contributing Writer

By this time you've probably noticed the wreaths and lights decorating downtown Lexington. If you're like most students at W&L though, you're probably unaware of where these decorations are coming from. The Lexington Downtown Development Association is responsible.

During this holiday season a lot more is planned for Lexington than white lights and Christmas wreaths. Beginning this Friday at 5:00, there will hardly be a dull moment. The following events are planned for the next month.

Friday, December 3, at 5:00 there will be a tree-lighting ceremony at Hopkins Green. The VMI and W&L Glee Clubs will be performing for the event.

Saturday, December 4, there will be a parade through town at 1:00.

Wednesday, December 8, there will be student and cadet shopping discounts at local stores, which will stay open until eight.

Saturday, December 11, there will be a Cookie Cottage Workshop at the library for Lexington's children. There will also be carolling from 11:00 to 2:30 in downtown Lexington.

Sunday, December 12, there will be Open Houses at area shops for the twelfth hour of the twelfth day of the twelfth month. There will be 12% discounts at some stores and special brunch menus.

Wednesday, December 15, there will be a Ladies Night. Free babysitting will be provided and women can register so their husbands or boyfriends can pick up their purchases on Stag Night.

Saturday, December 18, there will be a story hour with Mrs. Claus for Lexington children at the library. Punch and cookies will be served and door prizes will be awarded.

Wednesday, December 22, there will be a Stag Night. Men can go to pick up their wives' purchases.

The LDDA was established in 1985 to keep existing businesses viable, to promote new businesses, and to protect the architecture of the historical downtown part of Lexington. The LDDA deals only with the historical parts of town. The LDDA is funded primarily by the downtown merchants.

The Christmas season is only one of the times when the LDDA is highly noticeable in Lexington. Other events which they sponsor include the Halloween trick-or-treating for the children, an employee appreciation day in the winter, an Easter Workshop at the library for children, a Fourth of July parade, a summer concert series, and an August sidewalk sale.

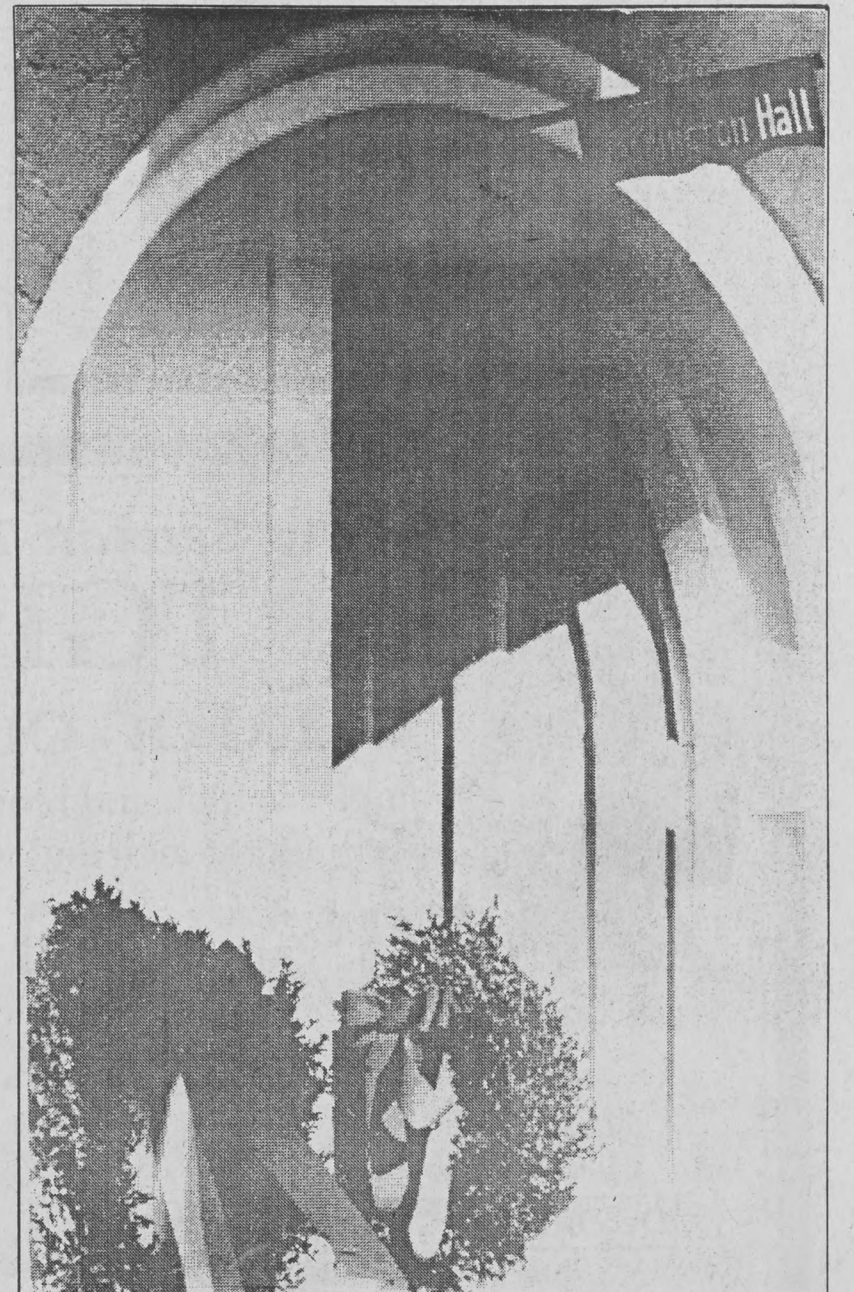


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Along with several student decorations on campus, Washington Hall joins in the festivities with its own set of wreaths.



## A black and white photograph of a man from the waist up. He is wearing a dark sweater with a light-colored geometric pattern across the chest and shoulders, and dark sunglasses. He is smiling slightly. He is holding a large, light-colored ski binding vertically against his right shoulder. The background is plain and light-colored.



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OPINION

# The Ring-tum Phi

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## 'Tis the season

The Holiday season has arrived, and we at the *Phi* are in the gift giving mood. We can't afford to give everyone on our a list an actual gift, so we decided to go with a more thoughtful list.

If we forgot you, don't worry. Santa will be here soon, and Mom and Dad will probably buy you a couple of things too.

We hope everyone will get what they wish for this Christmas.

**Niall MacKenzie** — United States citizenship  
**Ashby Hackney** — An alarm clock automatically set for Mondays at 7:25 p.m.

**Executive Committee** — \$3847.96

**The Spectator staff** — a monthly deadline

**The ACLU** — what we gave the E.C. ? .....nah.

**Dean Howison** — a Nerf bocci set and all the heckling he desires

**Dean Schroer-Lamont** — a pill that will give everyone "the message"

**Dean Atkins** — Fraternities that can manage to stay out of trouble

**Dean Manning** — an upperclass dorm that everyone wants to live in

**Freshmen** — the knowledge that finals will be harder than APs, and the courage to go on after you get Fall Term grades

**Sophomores** — a major, and the memory that you were once freshmen too

**Juniors** — gummi bears

**Seniors** — a job, a graduate school acceptance, a future

**Gummy** — dentures

**Financial aid office/John DeCourcy** — more funds so he can put financial aid money where his mouth his

**Ladies in the registrars' office** — bright cheery smiles and lots of patience

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**George Ray** — a contract to write his memoirs

**David Novack** — a fun time hunting for antiques in London

**John Jennings** — permission to have J-law twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday so he can finish the book in one semester

**Steven Desjardins** — the bong on Mike Young's desk

**Melissa Cox** — recognition of the ultimate power she already has

**Carol Calkins** — an office that doesn't look like an airline ticket window

**W&L Security** — more Suzuki Samurais to patrol the parking lots

**B&G** — a brand-new shiny lawn mower

**R.D. Clark** — something better to do than chasing the W&L mail truck

**The Lexington Fire Department** — a fire truck the city actually paid for

**Mayor Derrick** — a solution to Lexington's tax problem that doesn't involve W&L students

**Ourselves** — nap-time.

Happy Holidays to everyone! See ya in 1994!

## Quote of the Week

"Umm... which if these buttons locks the door?"

—A W&L student unexpectedly finding himself in Harlem

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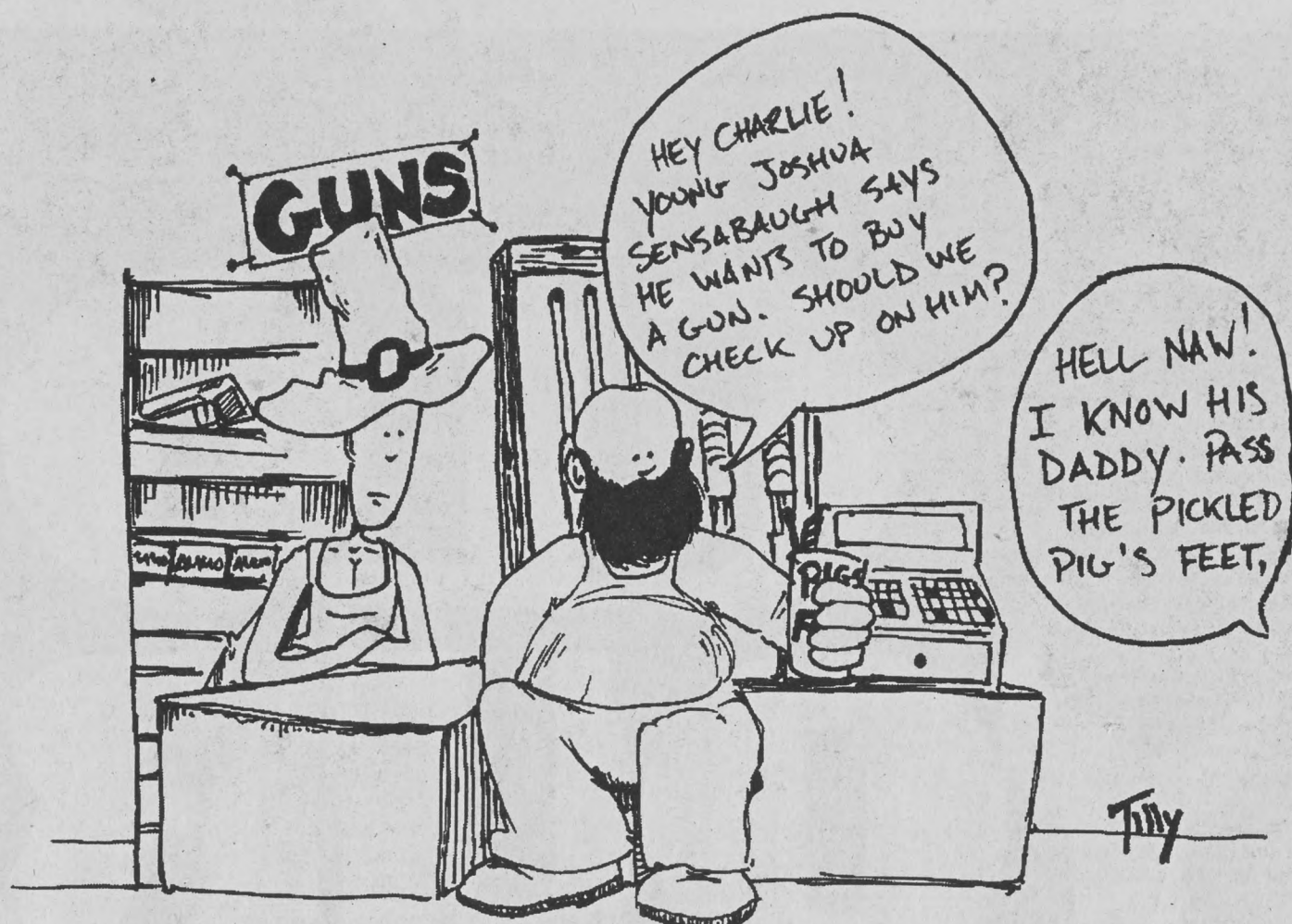
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## THE BRADY BILL COMES TO LEXINGTON

# Sexual issues stance accuses unfairly

I want to sound a note of caution about the way we look at rape. I do want to stress at the outset that rape is a terrible thing. I know people who have been raped, and the consequences are both long-lasting and severe. In my opinion, rape is a crime worse than murder, and should be punished accordingly.

Perhaps it is my strong feelings about this crime that make me so disturbed at the way this newspaper handled the subject in its last issue. This paper failed to recognize rape is first and foremost a crime, and should be treated as such. Second, the incidence of rape will be higher in certain environments; it is naive to think we can prevent rape and sexual assault while promoting the environments in which they thrive.

A front page feature article presented in great detail the events surrounding a rape that allegedly occurred on campus a few years ago. I use the term "allegedly" not as a suggestion that the event did not occur, but because, as with all crimes, we must assume that it did not occur. Our liberal democratic society requires a presumption of innocence unless guilt is proven in a court of law. This paper's decision

to treat the event as one of fact, absent such a legal determination, was a serious error. While one may contend the facts were undisputed in this particular case, even the combined words of the victim, a university dean, and the victim's friends are not enough to establish an

individual's guilt; a court of law has to decide the issue. Until that happens, journalists should avoid trying people in the court of public opinion. The article in question contained only one sentence referring to the legal issues involved: "[The accuser] filed a report with the Lexington police, but did not press charges." Pressing charges in a rape case can be a traumatic experience, one which many women understandably choose not to pursue. Nonetheless, potential distress for the victim does not justify public condemnation of the accused. The article treated the legal issues as if they were unimportant, focusing instead on the university mediation system. While that system may have its virtues, its judgment is not authoritative with respect to society; it does not justify the paper's decision to treat the rape accusation as fact.

The second error of judgement in the article was even more egregious. The story presented several significant details about the accused man. I will not compound the mistake by repeating them, but given the information provided in the article and a couple of old Calyxes, I have little doubt that I could deduce his identity in less than an hour. I hope no one will choose to do that, but the potential for personal damage to him exists. While the details given in the story may have been relevant to presenting an accurate picture of the situation, this man, who has

too drunk — 'it's a weekend thing', 'it's a party thing', 'it's a hook-up thing', etc. It's not too hard to deal."

The author and the paper as a whole seemed to miss the fact that these kinds of situations actually promote sexual assault. That is not to say that women are responsible because they put themselves in these situations or, alternatively, that this provides an excuse for men. But it is foolish to ignore the fact that casual sex or even casual sexual activity makes sexual assault more likely. Women who have experienced rape during "a hook-up thing" probably feel like

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Finally, I was struck by the other material in the last issue of the paper. After reading the article on rape and glancing at the list of statements on sexual assault, I noticed a story titled "The art of the hook-up at W&L." In its description of W&L dating it noted: "...[dating] means more commitment and less freedom. A bad hook-up, on the other hand, can be written off as a consequence of being

ably feel like it is immensely "hard to deal." No matter how many people are "aware" of sexual assault, as long as a casual sexual environment exists, so will this problem. If the university community is going to think about rape and sexual assault, let's think about them intelligently. It is surely possible to discuss this very serious issue without running roughshod over common sense.

# City curfew laws miss the point

The Lexington police have been busy lately. How busy? They have been keeping our streets free from teenagers under the age of 17 who hang out past their bedtime (11 p.m., that is). Just two weeks ago, a police officer stopped a car of suspicious looking passengers driving through the streets of Lexington at 3 a.m. After discovering they were all 16-year-old Lexington residents, the officer waited for backup and then brought these curfew rebels to police headquarters.

Actually these teenagers were not rebels at all. They were coming home from a Nirvana concert in Williamsburg and had received parental permission to be out that night. In fact, one of their parents had even gone to the concert with them but drove back separately. The curfew law makes exceptions for minors "on an emergency errand or specific business or activity directed or permitted by [their] parents."

Despite their innocence, the teenagers were kept in police custody for an hour until each of their parents could be awakened, notified and summoned to pick their child up at police headquarters.

The Lexington curfew law has been around for a long time but was revised by the city council last spring in order to cut down on the noise generated by popular hangouts such as Sharks. The law makes it a crime for teenagers under the age of 17 to be out on the streets of Lexington between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. without an adult. The first violation of the curfew is punishable by detention at the police department until the parents of the minor can pick him/her up. On the second and subsequent detentions of the minor, the parents are charged with willfully contributing to, encouraging, or causing a violation of the curfew — a Class 2 misdemeanor.

The curfew, traditionally a tool of martial law and commonly associated with authoritarian governments such as China (in suppressing the pro-democracy students), must appear to some as a little out of place in a largely peaceful and sleepy Lexington.

Lexington is one of a growing number of cities in the U.S. that have adopted curfew laws. Most have been adopted as a means of halting the rampant violence and drug trafficking that have plagued our cities. However, studies have shown that curfew laws have very little effect, if any, on the crime rate. Curfews are nothing more than tough sounding do-nothing solutions that divert the public's attention

from real crime prevention programs and mask the underlying causes of crime.

Brian Shaw, a Lexington city councilman and W&L director of communications supports the curfew, even though he concedes it is an easy target for civil libertarians. When asked whether his motive for supporting the law was to look tough on crime, he laughed, shook his fist in the air and grunted sarcastically "yah, I'm tough on crime!" More seriously, he denied having any such motive pointing to the fact that he plans to leave politics once his term is up. Shaw supports the curfew because he says it helps the police to do their job.

This assertion is at best a shaky one because it would seem that enforcing the curfew law would actually hinder the police from doing their job. If police are busy checking IDs of every teenager walking the dog after midnight, their energies are diverted from solving real crimes like murder, rape, and robbery.

The most serious problem with curfew laws is that they are unconstitutional. The right to come and go as we please without government permission or interference is a fundamental right in a free society. The First Amendment of our Constitution guarantees to everyone the freedom of assembly. Curfew laws criminalize normal and otherwise lawful behavior, such as standing on a street corner or going for a walk.

Another major problem with Lexington's curfew law is that it violates the due process rights of teenagers. If you have parental permission to be out late at night, which is legal under the curfew, you can still be apprehended by the police and serve the penalty of the law (detention at police headquarters) until the police can get your parents to come get you and verify your innocence. Under this law, you are guilty until proven innocent and the police get to be the judge, the jury, and the prosecution.

Lexington City Councilman and local NAACP head, Jim Harris, supports the curfew. He brushes off the unconstitutional aspects of the law as "technicalities." Harris believes the curfew law gives parents extra comfort in knowing the police will make sure

their children are home by 11 p.m.

Even though most children probably ought to be home by 11 p.m., that decision belongs to parents, not police officers or politicians. While attempting to strengthen parental authority, curfews have usurped parental prerogatives.

Curfew laws are also prone to discriminatory enforcement. Studies have found that curfew restrictions are disproportionately enforced in minority communities and against individuals perceived as "different" from the norm.

Lexington police lieutenant Crouder believes that the curfew law is useful in preventing tragedies from happening. His favorite hypothetical example is a 14-year-old girl, built like a 20-year-old, who insists on staying out late at night and her parents could care less. This girl, Lieutenant Crouder insists, is a sitting target for some pervert to pick up and rape. Crouder adds that the curfew law enables police to prevent this situation from happening.

The problem with Crouder's logic is that his hypothetical tragedy could take place at any time to women of any age. Perhaps having a 24 hour curfew for everyone of all ages would be a better safeguard against that hypothetical situation from ever occurring. Wouldn't life be happy, safe and fun then?!

The point is that even though we have serious problems with crime today, allowing ourselves or our children to be put under house arrest is not a practical or justifiable solution. That would be a sign that our law enforcement had lost the war on crime. Curfews infringe on the basic liberties of all people while trying to prevent the unlawful conduct of a few.

While the Lexington police and city council are well intentioned in their attempt to prevent crime, cut down on noise at night, and make sure minors are safe at home before midnight, their strategy is misguided. Law enforcement and government can address most of these problems more creatively without curfews and the price paid in liberty. The right of Lexington teenagers to come home from a Nirvana concert without being detained by police for an hour is a most cherished freedom and one that should not have to be sacrificed!

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OPINION

# A.P.B.: Avoid the state of Georgia

## DREAM LAND

Richard Weaver

I had been looking forward to relaxing over Thanksgiving break about 900 miles south of W&L in my home town of Vero Beach, Florida (motto: "Where The Excitement Never Started"). As you can probably imagine, it didn't work out exactly as I imagined.

My friend Ben and I left Lexington the Friday vacation began. Most of the 14 hour trip went fine, except when we went through that little stretch of backwoods south Georgia known as McIntosh County.

Not that I care to get specific about the city (DARIEN) or the name of the McIntosh City Sheriff's Deputy (STEVE WILLIAMS), but SOMEHOW a deputy saw fit to pull me over and give me a speeding ticket for going 15 miles per hour over the limit. I now realize at that time I should have voiced my theory that one should be able to speed if one has been driving for over 12 hours (the speeding would be sort of a "treat" from all of that hard work driving under 65) and if the area you were driving in was really inbred. I'm sure Officer Williams would have agreed.

After checking my license and registration, Officer Williams handed me my ticket (with the words "VIOLATOR'S COPY" on it) and asked me if I would like to attend a court date (at the posh McIntosh County State Court). When I declined the invitation, he gave me information on how

to mail in my fine. I, as an insurance company-fearing citizen will do so, though as a protest to my entrapment I'm considering paying my ticket in pennies. Or Mexican pesos.

It's now time to announce my theory on "Darien" and "McIntosh County." Both of these entities are approximately

1 square foot large and exist solely as an excuse for sheriff's deputies to make money off of travelers who are headed to real cities.

My anger over my ticket is partially consoled by Phi Managing Editor Nancy Pavlovic's revelation that she was caught speeding at 101 m.p.h. in south Georgia and had to spend 3 hours in jail before her bail money arrived by Western Union. We have decided to form a support group for all of those persecuted in "The Peanut State."

Anyway, after we sped off, leaving a cloud of dust in our wake, we headed home to sunny south Florida. Except it wasn't sunny. According to a local

weather expert, my mother, the 85 Degree Prime Beach Weather disappeared the day I arrived.

I had had plans of returning to W&L with a dark bronze tan (so I wouldn't get lost in the snow), but I had to settle for the glow of the television. Lots of television. I felt like hooking my head

up directly with the cathode tube so I could absorb it all and make up for what I missed since I left for college. There is something to be said for an afternoon spent watching CNN News Hour, the Real World on MTV, BET Video Soul, and E! Talk Soup all in a row with the only break being trips to the fridge. In fact, I think the university should give one academic credit to those people who studied examples of American culture (those TV programs) over the Thanksgiving break.

After a while, I decided it was time for a visit to the old alma mater: Saint Edward's School in Vero Beach. Located on the shore of the Indian River,

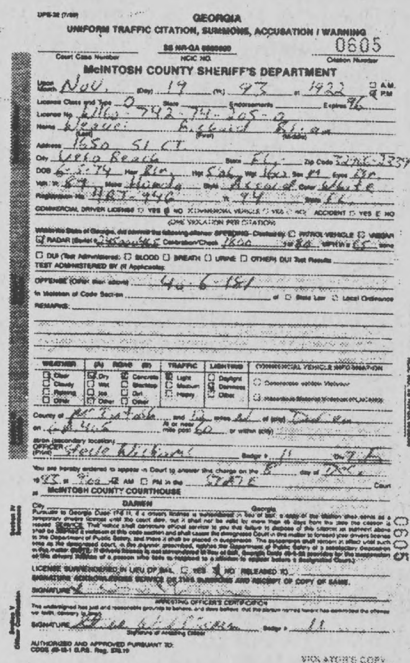
St. Ed's was my school for 13 years; it nurtured me and made me into the caring, considerate, and thoughtful person I am today. Wait a minute... no it didn't; and look where it got me.

Walking through the halls I was amazed by how young the kids were. Most of them wore the expression, "Who in the world are you?" and for the ones who did know my name, "Don't you have anything better to do?" Then there were some kids who didn't say anything and just shot spitballs at me.

I said hello to my old teachers. For the most part it was good to see them, but there are definitely a few teachers that would benefit from "Dubyuhnellization." I think all of us have a fantasy about taking the most out-of-touch high school teacher, the one who made a big deal about chewing gum or passing notes in class, and placing them in an environment they simply could not mentally handle and then their brains would explode.

I can just picture Mr. Redpath going through fraternity rush, having his shirt ripped off, and then going to a eight-fraternity party at Zollman's featuring goldfish eating and Doug Clark and the Hot Nuts Plus A Couple of Vandellas. Imagine if some freshmen saw Mr. Redpath there and taunted him because of his pants and then they introduced him to Tom Hesos, and then he would try to assign them a 1,000 word paper as punishment and then they would steal his pants... You fill in the rest at home.

Maybe I spent a few too many hours in the front of the TV this break.



# State violates promise of justice

## MY VIEW

Jerry William Joseph, Sr.

People of the United States, I come to you now to voice the injustice done to me by the Virginia state police and the county of Hanover, Virginia. Let it be known by all that the police and lower courts do not respect the rights pledged us by the forefathers of this country in the United States Constitution.

It is the judgment of the lower courts that if your constitutional rights are violated that you have a right to appeal so why not send you to prison so you can do "some" time before your appeal comes up for trial. Well, here is one man that would rather turn his life over to the Lord by death than lose all livelihood spending years in prison fighting for the rights already won in blood and death by our forefathers that are so obviously not recognized by the lower courts of this country. The police are allowed by the lower courts to manipulate law in the name of justice. When the legality of a search is disputed all the police have to say is that you gave consent and your constitutional rights are gone, even if there is not a witness to the consent, or a signature on a consent form or even if a consent defied all logic and it is just one man's word against another man's word, the word of the police, right or wrong, will always prevail in the eyes of the

lower court.

How can this be justice? Surely the lower courts do not think us so naive that we are to believe that the police are incapable of unconscionable acts against mankind, for they are only human and subject to influence as any other human being. All we have to do is pick up any newspaper in any city to see this is true. If only the people of this country could know how easy it is to lose your constitutional rights and the cost factor to the public in the form of taxes each time a violation of constitutional rights is appealed in court, they would surely force the government to pass a simple law to make it mandatory that a consent form be filled out when a person waives a constitutional right. So little, to save so much, I can not understand why it has not been done already. Most people are not even aware some issues of constitutional law can not even be appealed in federal court such as Fourth Amendment rights to privacy. If a person is from out of state, as in my case, all matters of court became just a formality.

How can there be justice when my court appointed

lawyer is not keeping with the standards of a privately paid lawyer by failing to research and conduct an independent investigation on the issue of an illegal search I presented him on the day of his appointment to me. His intent of not having contact with me and his non-actions forced me to research laws of this state and file my own motions in court

in order to insure that the Fourth Amendment issue of illegal search was presented to the court. This is an issue that should have been presented to the court in the beginning stages to insure the protection of people's constitutional rights. The rights of an individual should always be first and foremost in the eyes of the court, if we are to enjoy true freedom in this country. Let us not lose the rights our forefathers died for.

Let my death be the signal for the people of this country to stand up and be heard. If you believe in preserving your constitutional rights, now is the time to act, for your sake and the sake of your children.

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## LETTERS

### McDermott confuses meaning of equality

To the editor:

I would like to correct an egregious error that Patrick McDermott made in his article, "Don't malign Kennedy's memory" (Nov. 12).

He asserted that one of this nation's fundamental ideals (and Kennedy's as well) was a belief in the equality for all Americans. Although Jack Kennedy may have espoused this as one of his administration's

cornerstones, I can assure you that the Founding Fathers did not. The framers of our nation, however, did promote the ideas of equal opportunity, and they believed that all men were created equal — but these are very different than "equality for all."

Mr. McDermott rightly associated "equality for all" with a nation, but he simply picked the wrong one. The roots of his wrongly-credited belief are located in

the ashes of the former Soviet Union. It is the premise of communism — not republicanism — that begins with social egalitarianism. It was neither Jefferson nor Madison who wanted "equality for all;" rather, it was Marx and Lenin. Please do not get them confused.

Jimmy Kull, '94

## TALKBACK

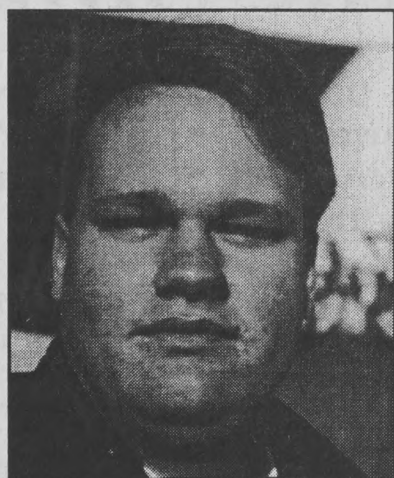
## Interviews and Photos

By Joe Framptom

# If you were Bill Clinton, what would you want for Christmas?



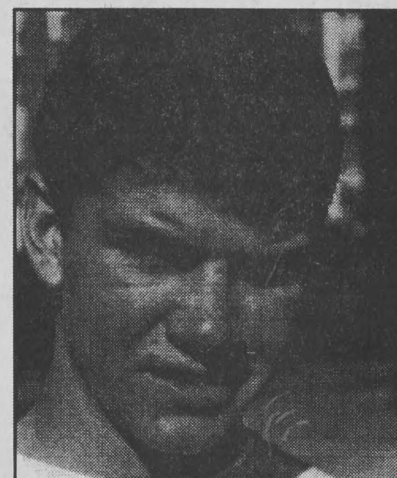
Melissa Wolf, '95, Rose Valley, Pa. — "Flowers" on my desk."



R.P. Dickerson, '96, Atlanta, Ga. — "A new wife."



Damien Del Russo, '95, Highlands, NJ and Assia Georgieva, '95, Sofia, Bulgaria — "A Republican joke book."



Robert Covington, '97, Atlanta, Ga. — "A Mexican immigrant."



Lisa Greenhouse, '96, Towson, Md. — "A cheaper haircut."

## GENERAL NOTES

### Pub Board

There will be a Pub Board meeting on Monday, Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. in the *The Ring-tum Phi* Office, room 208 of the University Center.

### Found

Found: A black, green, and gold lighter with the initials DTL engraved on it. Call 463-5295.

### Oxford

Washington and Lee is one of six area schools that sponsor a summer program of study at St. Anne's College, Oxford, England. The Virginia Program at Oxford follows the English tutorial system and studies the subject areas of literature and history of Tudor-Stuart England. Dates are June 27 to Aug. 6, 1994. Application deadline is March 1, 1994. There is some scholarship available. See Prof. Pamela Simpson in the Art Department for more information.

### Ballet

The Rockbridge Concert Theatre Series is presenting the Eglevsky Ballet; Michael Vernon, Artistic Director; Founded by Andre Eglevsky, in the holiday classic "The Nutcracker." Performances will be held in Lexington at the Keller Theatre of the Lenfest Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at Quality Quick Print, 214 South Main Street, from Nov. 22 to Dec. 3. There will be no reserve seating. For more information call 463-5360.

### Resumes

There will be a Resume Workshop on Wed., Dec. 8, at 11 a.m. in room 109 of the University Center. All students are welcome to attend.

This week's General Notes were compiled by Sarah Wyatt.

### Tests

There will be a test interpretation session on Thursday, Dec. 10, in room 109. All seniors planning to participate in the SLAC job fairs should plan to attend this brief orientation meeting.

### Golf

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### Indochine

The Film Society will present *Indochine* tonight and Saturday night in the Troubadour Theatre at 8:05 p.m. Admission is free.

### Letters

Letters and "My Views" may be submitted by anyone by Tuesday at noon. All submissions must be signed and they will be printed in the order in which they were received.

### Phi

*The Ring-tum Phi* will next publish on Jan. 6, 1994.

## AIDS education coordinator thanks W&L

To the editor:

I am writing to congratulate and thank the members of the Washington and Lee University AIDS Education Project for the overwhelming success of this year's World AIDS Day Events. The students who make up the core of the project worked tirelessly during an already stressful time of the year to assure that their message was received by the W&L community. You are a great group, and judging from the feedback I have received thus far, you accomplished your goal.

I would also like to thank the non-student members of the campus community who supported this event in a number of important ways. Thank you to all of the faculty and staff members who wore red ribbons to classes and at their desks, your concern for the well being of the students on this campus is extraordinary and very much appreciated.

A few special thank yous: to the

W&L Security team who performed with their usual professionalism in assisting the members of the AIDS Project, to Jim Johndrow and the folks at University Services who provided much warmth (literally) for the project members, to the staff of the Bookstore for their help during the day, to Mary Woodson for designing our Red Ribbon Campaign Posters, to Larry Broomall for his help in finalizing the planning of the day's events, and to Carol Calkins for her year-round support. Finally, "Thanks," to the folks I forgot to mention. I hope there aren't too many!

I compliment the Washington and Lee community for its continued generosity and compassion. With your help, we can and *will* end this plague.

Sincerely yours,  
Pat McDermott '94  
Coordinator  
W&L AIDS Education Project



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## GENERALS BY THE NUMBERS

Schedules for Winter, 1993-94

### Men's Basketball

Dec. 4	at Guilford	2:00
Dec. 8	Emory & Henry	7:30
Jan. 2	Amherst	7:30
Jan. 4	Virginia Wesleyan	7:30
Jan. 8	Roanoke	7:30
Jan. 10	at Mary Washington	8:00
Jan. 12	at Lynchburg	7:30
Jan. 15	Randolph-Macon	3:00
Jan. 19	at Emory & Henry	7:30
Jan. 21	Bridgewater	7:30
Jan. 23	Catholic	3:00
Jan. 26	Hampden-Sydney	7:30
Jan. 29	Guilford	2:00
Feb. 2	at Virginia Wesleyan	7:30
Feb. 5	Eastern Mennonite	7:30
Feb. 9	Lynchburg	7:30
Feb. 12	at Roanoke	7:30
Feb. 16	at Eastern Mennonite	7:30
Feb. 19	at Randolph-Macon	3:00
Feb. 23-26	Old Dominion Athletic Conference Tournament in Salem, Va.	

### Swimming

Dec. 3	Sweet Briar (W)	7:00
Dec. 4-5	at UVA Invitational (M&W)	
Dec. 7	Randolph-Macon (W)	7:00
Jan. 12	Buffalo State (M&W)	7:00
Jan. 15	at Catholic (M&W)	2:00
Jan. 22	Emory, Johns Hopkins	10:00
	at North Carolina (M&W)	
Jan. 30	Franklin & Marshall	2:00
	(M&W)	
Feb. 3	Hollins (W)	7:00
Feb. 5	at Mary Washington	2:00
	(M&W)	
Feb. 12	at Radford (M&W)	1:00
Feb. 18-20	at Atlantic States/ODAC Championships (M)	
	at Southern State Championships (W)	
Mar. 10-12	at NCAA Championships (W)	
Mar. 17-20	at NCAA Championships (M)	

### Women's Basketball

Dec. 4	at St. Mary's	2:00
Dec. 6	Wesley College	7:30
Jan. 8	at Wesley College	2:00
Jan. 9	at Virginia Wesleyan	2:00
Jan. 11	Univ. of the South	7:30
Jan. 13	at Sweet Briar College	7:00
Jan. 15	at Mary Washington	6:00
Jan. 19	Mary Baldwin College	7:00
Jan. 21	Meredith College	5:00
Jan. 29	at Davidson College	3:00
Feb. 2	at Mary Baldwin	7:00
Feb. 5	Midway College	1:00
Feb. 9	at Hollins College	7:00
Feb. 13	Hollins College	2:00
Feb. 17-19	at Women's College Tournament at Meredith College	

### Wrestling

Dec. 3-4	at Lebanon Valley Tournament	
Jan. 8	at Western Maryland Quad. (Johns Hopkins, Messiah, W. Maryland)	1:00
Jan. 15	W&L Tri. (Davidson, Pensacola Christian)	1:00
Jan. 22	W&L Invitational (Davidson, Haverford, LaSalle, Longwood, Newport News, Pensacola Christian, Washington & Jefferson)	9:30
Jan. 29	at Gallaudet Invitational	11:00
Feb. 5	at Apprentice Invitational	
Feb. 13	at Virginia State Tourn.	9:00
Feb. 25-26	at NCAA Regional Tournament	
Mar. 3-5	at NCAA Championships	

### Track and Field (Indoor)

Jan. 15	Lynchburg Invitational (M&W)	
Jan. 21-22	Virginia Tech Invitational (M&W)	
Feb. 5	VMI Relays (M)	
Feb. 12	Pepsi Invitational at VPI (W)	
Feb. 26	ODAC Championships at Lynchburg (M&W)	

### Washington and Lee Team Records (as of 12/02/93)

Men's Swimming	1-0-0
Women's Swimming	1-0-0
Men's Basketball	1-4-0
Women's Basketball	0-3-0
Wrestling	0-0-0
Overall	3-7-0

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# Schaeffer joins Major General list

By KEITH GRANT  
Phi Staff Writer

"If she stays interested, her potential is virtually unlimited."  
That is how women's cross-country coach Jim Phemister sees the future of his star runner, sophomore-sensation Josephine Schaeffer.

Schaeffer just completed a near-perfect All-American season, suffering her only loss at the Division III NCAA Championships. At that November 20th meet in Grinnell, Iowa, her eighth place time of 18:04 in the 5K race was just 15 seconds off the winning mark.

Schaeffer, who ran under 18 minutes four times this fall, blamed her time on being too excited. She went out in a first-mile time of 5:05, her fastest ever.

Schaeffer was pleased that she moved up four places from last year's finish. She may not have been thrilled with her race time, but more importantly, she had "a good time."

"[The meet] was very exciting. Very intense, too," Schaeffer said.

The two-time cross-country All-American may not have gone undefeated, but Schaeffer can find solace in her selection as the WLUR-Ring-tum Phi Athlete of the Month for November.

The sophomore follows Corinda Hankins (women's soccer) and Robert Hull (football) in receiving the Major General Award.

It has been a record-after-record two years at Washington and Lee for the Memphis native.

Schaeffer stormed the 1992 Division III scene by, literally, running away with seven of nine races as a freshman. Her only defeats were in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championships—where she lost a considerable lead by running off course—and the nationals, a 12th place finish.

Schaeffer moved on to track and wasted no time leaving her mark there. She placed second at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track championships to again earn All-American honors.

Her 1993 cross-country season was highlighted by winning the ODAC title and the South-Southeast Regional championship. Schaeffer led four Generals who placed in the top seven at the ODAC's as the team claimed the conference championship for the second-straight year.



Josephine Schaeffer

W&L failed to qualify as a team for the NCAAs; the team finished second in the Regionals. However, Schaeffer was accompanied to Iowa by teammate Amy Mears, who had run a qualifying time of 18:41.

Among Schaeffer's best performances of the season were a then-school-record 17:25, a 17:36 at the ODACs (a minute-and-a-half ahead of second place), and—to put it mildly—an

unbelievable 16:46 finish in the regional championships.

"It was very surprising. I don't really know where it came from," she said of the now-school record time of 16:46.

Schaeffer seems as if she could not be happier with her season. By staying injury-free, running consistently around or under 18 minutes, and having fun with her teammates she has met all of her goals for the year.

"I want to continue to have fun,"

said Schaeffer. "That's one of the reasons I wanted to run Division III. I didn't want the pressures of a Division I school."

Schaeffer, whose father is a W&L alum, does hope to continue her improvement. Coach Phemister doesn't see much of a problem for that happening.

"She'll continue to make progress. She's so dedicated and so willing to work," said the coach, who was named ODAC coach-of-the-year in 1993 for the fourth straight year.

Phemister said Schaeffer has already taken a minute off her high school times and has the potential to knock another 60 seconds off before graduating.

In the long run (no pun intended), Phemister believes Schaeffer has the raw natural talent to be a national-caliber runner. This would suggest that the runner, who is still in her developmental stage, could ultimately be competitive among runners of all levels.

For now, she'll just have to settle for being a record setting, three-time All-American, nationally recognized Major General.

## The WLUR-Ring-tum Phi Major General award



September

Corinda M. Hankins, women's soccer

October

Robert C. Hull, football

November

Josephine P. Schaeffer, cross country

The Major General is chosen monthly by Sarah Gilbert and Keith Grant

File photo  
Sophomore Josephine Schaeffer heads down the W&L cross country course. Her season culminated with All-American honors.

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## This Week:

MBB-at Guilford 12/04  
WBB-at St. Mary's 12/04  
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Swim-UVa invitational 12/04

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BASKETBALL, INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD, SWIMMING AND WRESTLING

DECEMBER 3, 1993

## Merry Christmas

SARAH ON SPORTS  
BY SARAH GILBERT

It is that time of year once again, and the staff of the *Phi* is feeling generous and gregarious. Yes, this plethora of "g" words indicates that gifts are about to be bestowed upon the university community.

Because I am such a conformist, and heck, this is a traditional school, this week I bring you a traditional Christmas wish list for the athletes and coaches at Washington and Lee.

\*\*\*Disclaimer\*\*\*

The following column is intended in fun only. Any relation to actual circumstances or truth is purely for entertainment purposes.

Do not open until December 3.

**Mike Walsh-Protection Plus.**

This is the 1-800 number one can call to cancel all of his or her credit cards with one fell swoop. The program also includes an emergency credit line.

**Generals football-17 points.**

This gift would have brought the W&L football season from its 2-8 record to a solid 6-4. The Generals paradoxically broke team rushing records and several individual performance records in a two-win year.

**Josephine Schaeffer-15 seconds.**

Schaeffer ran times of 17:50 and under three times this season, all of which would have been winning times in the NCAA championships. Her time at the championships was 18:04, enough to earn her eighth place.

They say close only counts in horse shoes and hand grenades, but close was good enough for All-American—I would not complain.

**Women's swimming-NoDoz.**

The Lady Generals will be competing at three meets in six days during this weekend and the week before exams. They will need all the extra help they can get.

**Winter athletes-Nautilus plus.**

Over-the-break training schedules often include weights. One coach last year suggested that his athletes carry their little brothers and sisters on their shoulders and push automobiles if they had no access to weights at home. If you wanna play, you gotta pay.

**The Trident sports staff-my gratitude.**

Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Thanks, guys.

**The athletic department-a committee to investigate the credit issue.**

While I am on the subject, the issue of giving more physical education credits to athletes has been raised several times in the past week. Perhaps it should be looked into.

**Women's tennis-an invitation to Nationals.**

The Lady Generals deserve it. They deserved it last year, they deserve it more this year, and a conflict with our winter term exams coupled with some very high-up alleged prejudice has prevented an official team invitation.

**Delta Tau Delta-just one intramural first place.**

Need I say more? Everyone needs to win once.

**Merry Christmas!**

The *Phi* staff hopes that the sports world gets everything its little heart desires. To those athletes out there, remember: somewhere, somebody is practicing. And when you meet him/her in head-to-head competition, he/she will beat you. Don't forget it.

# Women make Doremus debut



Photo by Bethany Smith, The Ring-tum Phi

Senior Nikki Mayfield jumps for the ball against her Catholic opponent in the Generals' first-ever home game.

By BILL RUST  
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The Washington and Lee women's basketball team opened their first season as a Varsity team Nov. 19, and brought the game home for the W&L debut match Dec. 1.

A handful of students were on hand to watch a breathtaking game which came down to the final shot, as the home team was narrowly beaten in a battle with Catholic University 59-57.

The team started slowly, but

picked up the pace late in the first half. With aggressive play and great defense, they led by as much as seven in the first half. At half-time, W&L found itself down by three points, 34-31.

The second half proved to be more exciting than the first.

The Lady Generals lost the lead on a penalty shot with less than two minutes to go. Catholic barely managed to keep the Generals at bay, and beat the buzzer.

Wednesday, senior Karen Stutzman led the team with 14 points. junior Amy Vogt was second with 12, and sophomore

Allison Hull scored 10. Stutzman also lead with 8 steals. Hull and senior Mary Tankard both managed a team high five rebounds.

The loss was the third one in a row for W&L. The most recent loss came last week against Emory and Henry. They were crushed 77-37. Stutzman and sophomore Sandra Holmes managed to score in double digits in that match, with 12 and 10 respectively.

The Generals' record now stands at 0-3. Next week, the team will face St. Mary's and Wellesley College.

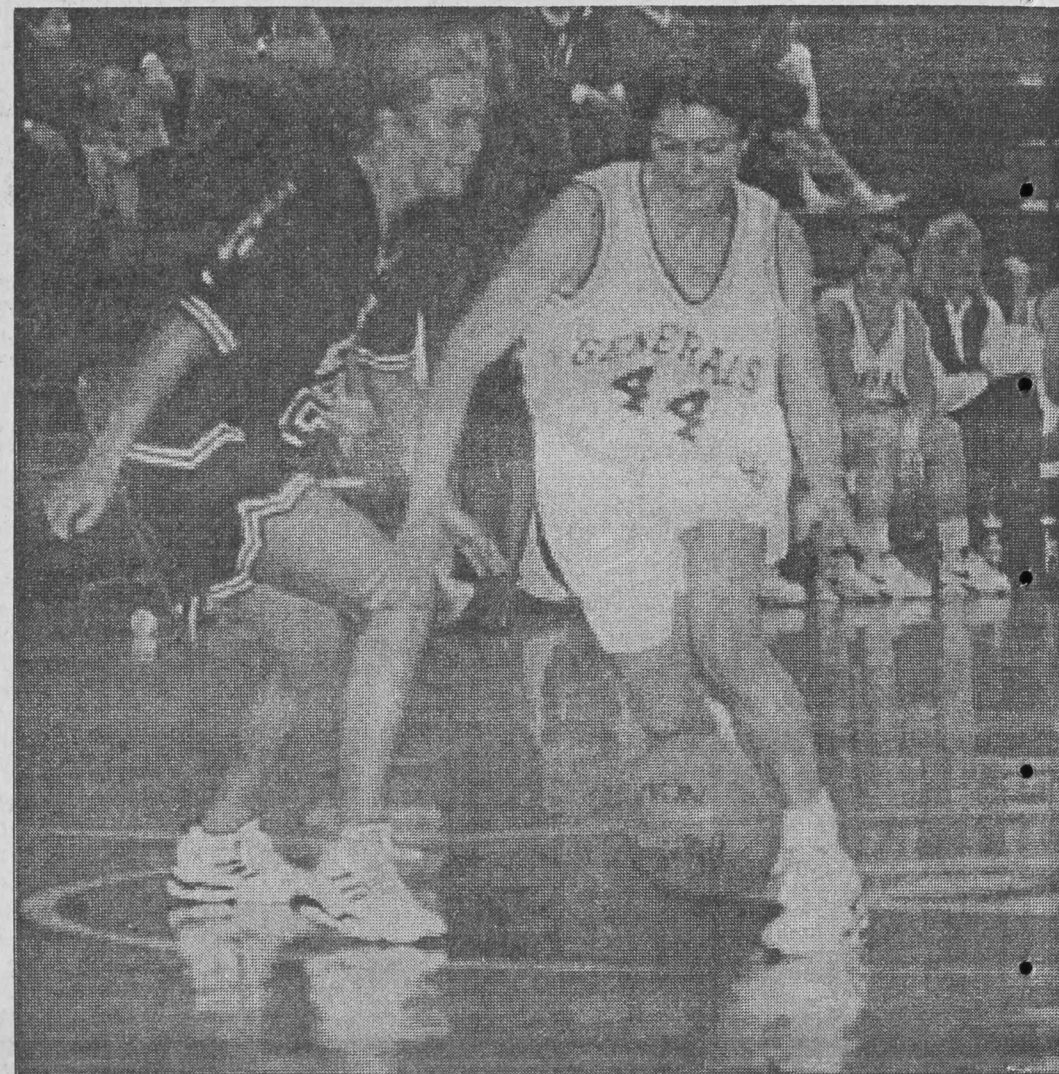


Photo by Bethany Smith, The Ring-tum Phi

Senior Karen Stutzman puts the moves on her Catholic defender as the Lady Generals lost a heartbreaker, 59-57, in the opening game Dec. 1.

## Men's basketball, 1-4 slowly begins season

By STEPHEN WILLIARD  
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The 1993-1994 men's basketball team has begun the new season with mixed results. Following a hard-fought holiday tournament that left the Generals on the short end, the team responded by defeating Emory in Atlanta.

Against Bridgewater, the Generals led at half-time, but eventually fell to the Eagles. On Wednesday against the Hampden-Sydney Tigers the Generals led at one point in the first half 10-4 before succumbing to the Tigers 90-48 in a game that got

away from the W&L squad.

In the Hampden-Sydney the Generals were led by 14 points from Cam Dyer, their leading scorer on the season.

In Atlanta, Washington and Lee had four players score in double figures and two with double doubles in the win over Emory.

The Generals have opened the year with a 1-4 record and an 0-2 Old Dominion Athletic Conference record. The Generals hope to improve on last year's 5-19 campaign.

W&L will next play at home on December 8th against Emory and Henry. The Generals will be looking to take a turn in the winning direction before break.

## AWAY GAMES

BY STEPHEN WILLIARD

Just when you were starting to lose interest in the football season, the games actually begin to get fun. After last weekend, the playoffs will seem like an afterthought.

How often does Dallas get snow in November? Better still, how many people remember

Leon Lett? Well, the wild and crazy Superbowl hero came through again for the Dallas Cowboys on Thanksgiving. Following a stunning Steve DeBerg led Dolphins drive, Pete Stoyanovich entered the scene to attempt a game winning field goal. The Cowboys blocked the kick to win the game, or at least they should have won the

game.

Lett came sliding into the picture at the last second to touch the ball (which otherwise would have been dead) and the Dolphins recovered to kick a field goal as time expired and win 16-14. I would just like to say that Lett has just joined the ranks of Fred Merkle, Roy Riegels, and Bill Buckner (do I get any votes for Mitch Williams?) with his boner on national television.

In other action, West Virginia defeated Boston College 17-14 in a thriller to finish the regular season undefeated. However, the Mountaineers will not have a shot at the national title because of Florida State beat Florida and Nebraska defeated Oklahoma.

That brings me to the topic of the day: who should play for the national title? Both Nebraska and West Virginia finished the

regular season undefeated and untied (as did the Auburn Tigers who are on probation and thus, out of the picture), but Florida St., who finished with one loss, played a much harder schedule (including wins over North Carolina, Florida, Virginia, and Miami—all nationally ranked teams).

I think that the best team should be national champion, and without a playoff system, we are left at the mercy of the poll balloters to decide that fact. At least with the bowl coalition, a 1 vs. 2 game is all but guaranteed.

Unfortunately, this season, three teams stand very close in ability and record. West Virginia had the misfortune of beginning the year out of the top 15 and didn't have their impressive wins (Miami, Boston College) until the end of the year. As far as I'm concerned, Florida State deserves a shot (my God, their only setback was at the hands of an undefeated Notre Dame team and they crushed Miami and North Carolina and Florida!).

I predict that Florida St. will defeat Nebraska and not Bobby Bowden his first ever national title.

**Parting Shots—**How did North Carolina lose to UMass in basketball? What's up with that?

**The BENGALS WATCH IS OVER!** Yes, that's right ladies and gentlemen, the proud pussycats won last weekend! Bring on the Superbowl, the AFC has a contender this year.

To all Houston Rockets fans: I'm sorry, but 82-0 is impossible. Just thought you'd like to know.

Anyway, that is all the space for this week. Until later, enjoy the games.

