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Commons design selected

By Michael Crittenden
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With construction on the sorority houses and athletic practice field nearly complete, Washington and Lee administrators focused their attentions on a new project this summer: choosing an architect for the much-anticipated University Commons.

The University announced VMDO architects as the preliminary selection for the Commons project this summer, selecting the Charlottesville firm from a short-list of five national firms vying for the job. Members of the administration met with the firms over the summer and heard presentations and received preliminary sketches of each firm's ideas.

David L. Howison, W&L's Dean of Students, said the choice was a good one for the University.

"[VMDO] took a very creative and original approach," Howison said. "Of the five designs we saw, they had the most innovative."

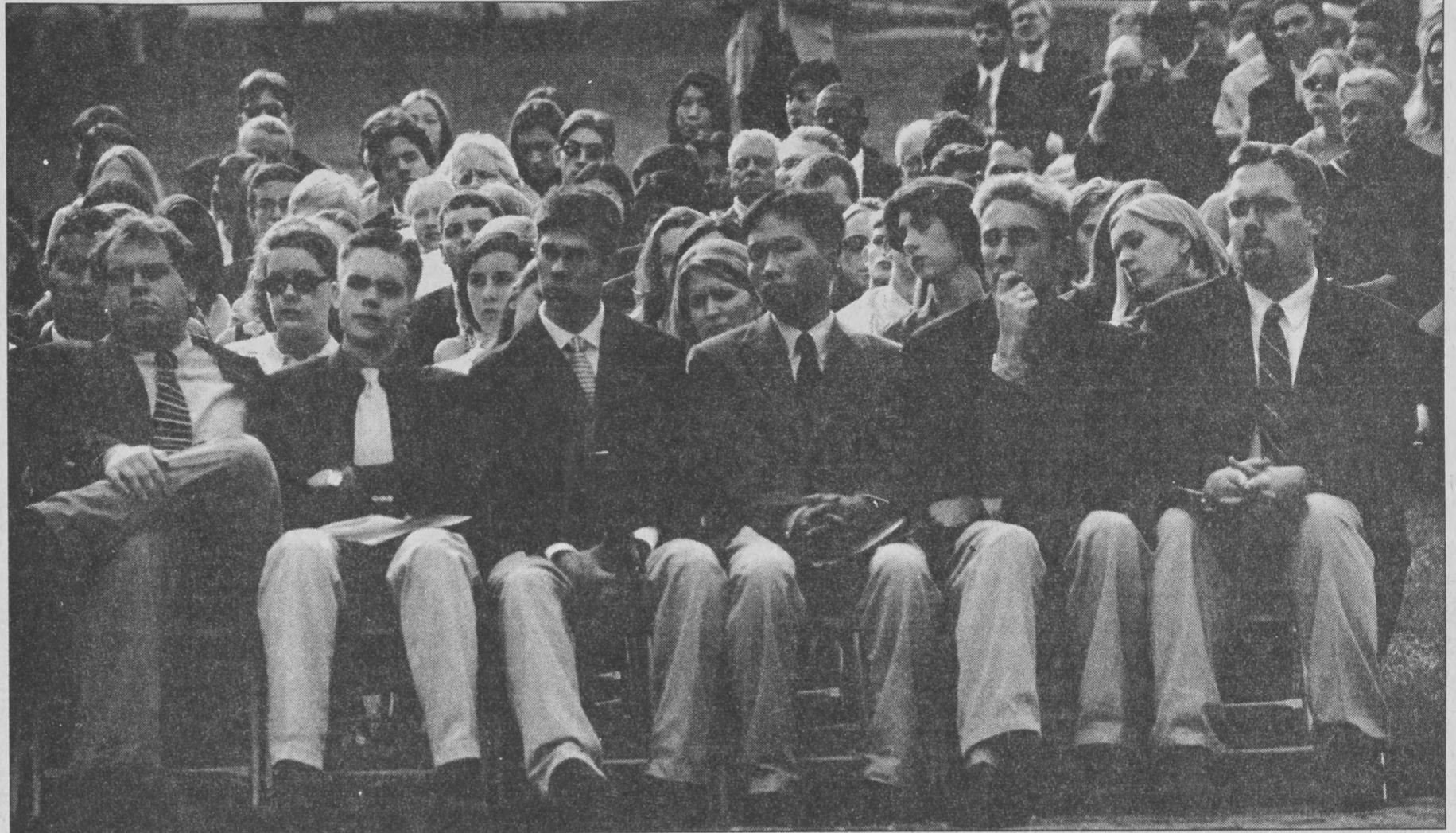
The University Commons project, to be located across from Doremus Gym where faculty-staff parking currently is located, is the next in the long-line of campus improvements being made as part of the most recent University Plan. Other projects have included the oft-delayed parking garage, new turf practice field and the sorority houses. Administrators hope the Commons will fill a void that has existed for a long time at Washington and Lee.

Though the school does have a University Center, the limited size and meeting space have rendered the U.C. fairly powerless in fulfilling the needs of student groups. With this in mind, the University set out to find an architect that could fulfill the University's needs. In VMDO, they think they found one.

According to Howison, the real hook behind VMDO's proposal was their use of the 1909 campus plan, and its prioritization of protecting "the Park", otherwise known as the wooded area between the Woods Creek Apartments and the back Colonnade. The VMDO design makes a "priority of protecting the environment," according to Howison, and the VMDO designed the building to work with the environment. The preliminary drawing administrators saw this summer included an amphitheater, a movie theater, student offices, and, of course, columns.

"I thought it looked really good," said senior Nick Cimino, who saw the drawings this weekend. "The Commons is a much-needed improvement, and I think they are on the right track."

Hailing from Charlottesville, VMDO has worked on a number of local Universities, including Radford, Sweet Briar and the University of Virginia. Architects from the firm are currently meeting with students and campus employees to form a final design, which they will propose to the Board of Trustees in October. At that time, the Board will vote on whether to approve the design or to ask the firm to change it. If approved, construction would begin soon thereafter.



photos by Emily Barnes/Executive Editor

THE AUDITORS (TOP): Students from all undergraduate and law classes attended Fall Convocation on the Front Lawn

THE ORATOR (BOTTOM): Dr. Francis Fukuyama, author and professor, gave the address.

Fukuyama stresses social capital

By Matt McDermott
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Social capital, human-capital, and shared values were the topics of Dr. Francis Fukuyama's address during last week's Fall Convocation on the Front Lawn.

Author of the best-selling book *The End of History and the Last Man* (Avon Books, 1993), Fukuyama is the Omer L. and Nancy Hirst Professor of Public Policy at George Mason University's Institute of Public Policy. He also serves as director of the Institute's International Commerce and Policy Program and as a consultant to the RAND Corporation, a public policy think tank.

"Social capital is the basis of social trust... of keeping commitments," said Fukuyama in his Convocation address. "It is common social ends met on a voluntary basis."

During his twenty-six minute ad-

dress, Fukuyama contrasted contemporary American society to post-Communist Russia and Southern Italy, whose epidemic corruption is not due to "formal laws and institutions but [rather to] their lack of social capital."

While America possess a deep reservoir of social capital, Fukuyama sees a trend in American society stemming back from the "Great Disruption," the decades of change following the 1950's. These years, he said, beneficially liberalized American society but also loosened the social ties that bound Americans together.

Many Americans today, he said, "don't participate politically, don't inform themselves about important public issues, they sit in their gated communities not talking to their neighbors."

Despite a reduction in the radius of trust, demonstrated in part by the increase in crime and the decline of traditional civic organizations, Fukuyama

believes that there is no evidence that American society is heading down an irreversible slope. Pointing to events in the past century, he demonstrated a period of moral regeneration from a period where alcohol consumption was more than five times greater per capita than currently.

Along with civic associations and faith based organizations, Fukuyama believes that many ills of society can be healed by institutions such as Washington and Lee, which demands "high principles of personal behavior" and which has "an institution of very deep traditions and a very good record of success."

Fukuyama is also the author of *Trust: The Social Virtues and the Creation of Prosperity* (Free Press, 1996) and *The Great Disruption: Human Nature and the Reconstitution of the Social Order* (Touchstone Books, 2000).

Area residents reflect on recent catastrophes

Lexington and University communities come to terms with twin disasters

By Katie Howell
STAFF WRITER

Lexington residents are still trying to come to terms with the twin tragedies of a plane crash and church fire, which occurred in the space of two and a half months.

"Everyone is just so sad and upset that this happened to us," said Lexington resident Kathy Pfeifer. "It was bad enough to have the fire, and then the plane crash came so soon after that."

The first disaster occurred on July 18th at the Lexington Presbyterian Church, an historical and architectural state landmark as well as the church of Confederate General Stonewall Jackson.

Between 9 or 10 o'clock a paint stripper ignited a fire which eventually engulfed the entire body, despite the best efforts of the Lexington and the Rockbridge County fire fighters.

"This is so saddening, but it's a blessing that no one got hurt," says Lexington residence Peg Maass.

"The burning of the church," said City Manager Jon Ellestad, "has had the biggest impact ever on the people of Lexington. I think the people are now wondering what will

happen next."

According to Ellestad, Lexington Presbyterian Church has made preparations to begin rebuilding the church and restoring it to its original condition. He said, "It will take a couple of years, but these people have the will and the money to make sure they build it back to its former state."

A little over a month later, on August 30, at 5:30 p.m., a 1959 Piper Comanche single-engine airplane dropped out of the sky to crash onto Washington Street next to the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house. According to the Air Traffic Control, there were no signs of any trouble until the plane snapped a wing and crashed, scattering debris over a square mile of downtown Lexington.

Lexington Police Lt. Steve Crowder said that the crash threw body and plane parts throughout the surrounding area. The crash and resulting investigation caused residents of nearby Davidson Park to move out of their fraternity houses so that officials could continue the investigation.

Among the crash debris, investigators discovered a white, powdery substance. Contrary to wide-spread rumors that circulated following the crash, the tested substance was not found to be cocaine, according to Virginia State Police First Sgt. Joe Peters, whose department tested the substance.

Ellestad said that the causes of the plane crash will take time to straighten out. Investigators began moving debris from the crash site on Thursday, August 31.

They have now relocated the majority of the wreckage to the former Reeves Brother's Warehouse in Buena Vista,

where the National Transportation Safety Board will reconstruct the plane in order to determine the cause of its malfunction and crash.

According to the NSTB, they will issue a preliminary report in a few days and a final report in approximately six months.

The Lexington community is still seeking closure.

"These events both really were wake-up calls for our community. We've always claimed that Lexington is such a bedroom community where nothing goes on," said Crowder. "[These events] really made us stop and take a reality check."

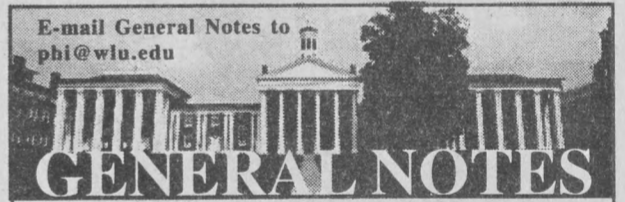
Although residents were disturbed by the events, some feel that they will have no long-term effects on the area's reputation. Travel Counselor Rosanna McMillan of the Lexington Visitor Center said, "I don't think these recent events will have any real effects on Lexington's tourism."

Still, she adds, "Everyone says that bad things come in threes, so maybe we should be prepared for more."

Students at Washington and Lee are a little bemused too. Alex Poor, a member of Pi Phi, commented: "It definitely put a new perspective on what I'm doing here, because a few guys lost their lives and then two days later everything went back to normal."

"It's really unrealistic that these events both happened so close together. You wouldn't think they would happen in Lexington," Emily Tyson, a freshman added.

"The tragedies don't really affect my view of W&L," says Joey Agaye, junior. "These things are bound to happen. It's just an unfortunate that they had to happen."



W&L Raises Record Total of \$48.7 Million

Washington and Lee raised a record total of \$48.7 million during the last fiscal year, surpassing the record of \$34.5 million raised in 1995, the final year of the "On the Shoulder of Giants" capital campaign.

W&L's total of \$48.7 million raised marks an increase of nearly 46 percent from a year ago. W&L raised \$26.3 million last year.

"It's just a testament to the support alumni and friends have for W&L," said Tom Jennings, director of University development. "It's a great vote of confidence for our future."

Included in the total was more than \$16 million of unrestricted capital gifts and another \$11 million for scholarship endowments, all other endowments and for plant funds.

Additionally, a record total of \$4.1 million was donated to the Annual Fund, which directly supports the operating budget of the University. A total of 10,338 alumni, parents and friends contributed to the Annual Fund, including nearly 44 percent of all alumni and nearly 40 percent of parents of current students.

In the area of planned giving, 34 separate gifts were made with a total of \$3.2 million in assets transferred. W&L also received just under \$12 million in the gifts in trusts held by others category from the J. Edward Lewis '29 estate. -courtesy W&L web page

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Y'all want a Coke?

When America's youth go away to college, an adjustment to the greater workload, added freedom, and ensuing responsibility takes place. While adjusting can be somewhat rocky at first, most incoming freshmen eventually find their niches on campuses throughout the nation.

As part of freshman orientation week here at Washington and Lee, my fellow classmates and I found ourselves in our advisors' offices, our minds set on taking our first steps toward academia

(or how much alcohol was consumed the night before, one of the two).

Φ The Patriot
Joel Pepera '04

Talk of classes

and majors and professors swelled from the hallowed halls of W&L as the class of 2004 registered for fall classes. Of particular interest to me this week has been the University's foreign language requirement. As I toured the beautiful W&L campus and continued to meet fellow freshmen, I soon realized that I had already begun the study of a language more foreign to me than Spanish — the unique dialect of the South.

There are many words heard on campus whose meanings I haven't the slightest clue, but I am eager to learn. Most prominently used was this strange combination of two words, "y'all." I am completely perplexed as to the meaning of such a contraction. I have adjusted to the fact that my Eastern classmates keep asking for "soda" instead of pop, but I have yet to understand this habit of ordering a "Coke" when a root beer is the desired drink.

There was much, it seemed, I needed to learn. Pleased with my newly-found academic interest, I quickly consulted my course guide to find such a class to fulfill my foreign language requirement.

My excitement turned to disappointment, however, when I discovered there was no department, nor a single course in Dixie jargon. I was shocked! Where was "RDNK 101: Introduction to Southern Speech?" Why wasn't this a part of the general education curriculum? I was baffled. The University didn't offer help to bridge the gap in dialect, so I decided to look elsewhere.

I considered going to the Liberty Hall Volunteers for guidance, but I was wary of offending anyone with that large of an arsenal. (That reminds me — I'm not sure if word has reached Lexington yet, but up in Michigan we heard long ago that the war was over.) Unable to think of any further resources of use to me, I was left with no other option than to continue in my ignorance.

Desperate for knowledge, I petition this University to develop a curriculum to educate carpetbaggers like me in the traditions of the South. We could participate in grammar lessons in which we would learn that in order to make the word "y'all" plural, you must lead with "all" to produce the phrase "all y'all."

Who could question the academic merit of that? Without such an education, I am left alienated from my southern classmates. I feel that my education will not be truly liberating education without it.

I ask in all sincerity that this worthy discipline be added to the classic liberal arts curriculum that is Washington and Lee.

Quote of the week:

“It's Security Appreciation Day.
—Security Officer Larry on the almost non-existent attendance to Saturday's SAB concert”

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LET THE GAMES BEGIN. . . Students wait on long lines to register their cars, check personal information, and receive class schedules during matriculation last week.

photo by Emily Barnes/Executive Editor

Blocked out of English, PE

It strikes me as odd, even ironic, that the one wrinkle in an otherwise smoothly run and enjoyable Freshman Orientation program happened to be the component with the most bearing on what I have always considered to be "School": course registration.

Yes, I was somewhat nonplussed when I arrived in my advisor's office at 10:30 in the morning on Tuesday to learn that all of the courses in areas as basic and essential as English and Physical Education (let alone presumably less popular subjects like Philosophy, Ancient History and even Public Speaking) were filled and deep into waiting lists.

I understand that a small university has fewer teachers and therefore fewer classes; nevertheless, why the heck does the English department offer more upper-level classes when the introductory classes are stuffed like pillows and the advanced classes aren't even close to being filled?

Why not offer the courses that best reflect student interest? And for that matter, why not offer more physical education classes?

It seems to me that any student interested in playing some sort of sport should at least be able to play at a club level instead of having to wait and hope for better luck in the winter registration.

An examination of the numbers exposes the current system's flaws.

As it stands, the English department offers six introductory Composition & Literature courses that altogether can accommodate 140 freshmen. With well over 400 freshmen, most of whom have not satisfied their English Composition graduation requirement, simple math shows that the majority of freshmen will be barred from English this fall.

Indeed, the waiting lists for the six Comp. & Lit. courses number 74 students, and chances are good that many more freshmen would have added their names if they had thought they stood any chance of gaining admission.

By contrast, the upper-level (300) English classes are far from filled. Out of nine available classes, none have reached the 25 student limit. In fact, there are a staggering 94 available spots in total. That's 94 freshmen needlessly denied access to English.

Likewise, practically every physical education class that might be considered a "sport," from bowling to volleyball to badminton, is filled and has a sizable waiting list. Want to try self-defense or ballet, or perhaps learn how to rock climb? Too late, sorry.

About the only PE class not booked completely solid is Therapeutic Exercise, whatever the heck that is.

All in all, the PE department has room for 1245 students this fall — which leaves approximately 450 students without any sort of "sport," to use the word loosely.

Granted, many students might not want to be involved in athletics this fall, but I would bet that number is far less than 450 (over a quarter of the school).

Furthermore, even those students who do get to play a sport probably will not get to play the ones they wanted to play: 175 students signed up for 24 available spots in bowling, 182 for 36 spots in self-defense, 152 for 36 places in golf, and 198 for 70 positions in racquetball.

Varsity Beirut, anyone? Of course, there are plenty of classes in plenty of departments that aren't as oversubscribed as English, PE, et al. Yet I will bet I am not alone in my frustration with the current registration process and the inevitable disappointment it brings (except for all of you eight-o'clockers!).

I am hardly asking for the administration to scrap the current method of Web Registration and start anew; rather, I simply ask that the school work harder to match student interest — both academic and athletic — with a fitting number of courses.

I think I'll be getting up a little earlier next year.

Φ Just Another Frosh

Mike Press '04

The ADL drums up business . . . yet again

Last Monday night, the freshman class participated in the "Campus of Difference" activity. The goal of the activity, designed and sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League, was to make freshmen more aware of the myriad of racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups that exist on campus. The program was instituted following an uproar concerning the Idaho delegation's "exclusionary" Mock Convention T-shirt. The program was facilitated by well-trained upperclassmen, who were quite knowledgeable and eager to deliver a message of inclusion to the freshmen.

Unfortunately, the premise of the activity was way off base. The ADL clings to a world-view that may have been appropriate in 1913, but doesn't represent the opinions and prejudices of young adults in 2000. Those who put on the program incorrectly assumed that all freshmen enter W&L as bigots and need to be trained to

relate civilly with members of other racial and ethnic groups. Students born in the feminist 1980's and raised in the politically-correct 1990's have been trained for decades to be sensitive and tolerant. In fact, the ADL, and organizations like it, have been so effective at removing racism and hate from mainstream culture that they have put themselves out of business.

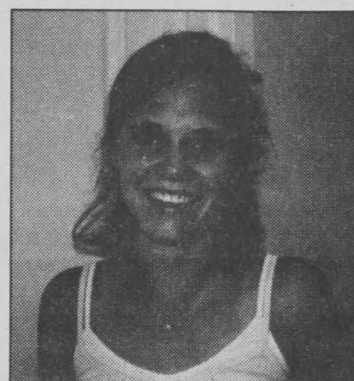
Tragically, the liberals who run such organizations cannot stand to no longer be in positions of power and influence. To make up for this lack of bigotry, the ADL sponsors activities such as the "Campus of Difference."

Such presentations ask students to examine artificially the "groups" to which they belong. One specific activity from Monday night had each student define himself with four "descriptors." The trick was that all the adjectives had to describe some racial, ethnic, geographic, age related, or socioeconomic category.

Φ Opinionated Frosh

Brett T. Kirwan '04

TALKback: What's the best thing about living in a sorority house?



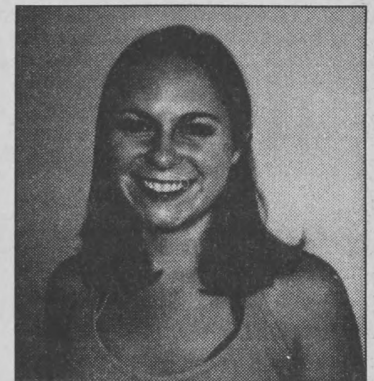
"Getting to live with a bunch of upperclassmen who I've never gotten to live with before."
—Claire Smith '03



"The fact that so many of us can live together...anyone in the chapter can come over and hang out."
—Margaret Penn '01



"Walking downstairs in your pajamas to get something to eat."
—Kate Mobley '02



"It's fun and convenient to live with a lot of friends."
—Emily Seale '02

Cat's Corner



By Christine Metzger

After a year away from sweet little Lexington, I have arrived back at long last to the fanfare of my senior year. Since many of you out there believe I am a freshman, I figured now was as good a time as any to introduce myself. Most of my friends call me Christine, my mom-given name, but some of them (okay, one of them) call me Cat.

So as I mentioned I was away all last year. No, I didn't run away and join the circus or have a baby or live off a trust fund. I willingly left this bucolic paradise and ventured to the other side of the pond as a visiting student at University College, Oxford. (You seem impressed.) All nerdiness aside, I lived in a bustling city where I depended on my own feet for transportation, had my lion's share of pubs and clubs to choose, felt ashamed to wear jeans, sneakers, overalls or a baseball cap. (Children, take note: we have a lot to learn about fashion here in Lex.)

You can imagine how shocking it is to come back here, land of urban assault vehicles, khakis-and-plaid-shirts, general homogeneity. Maybe you can't if you and the Bubble have a too tight relationship. Don't get me wrong, I consider Lexington my home more than any other place in the world and love it for all of its verdant glory. There certainly were things that I downright hated about Oxford — large lung-filling amounts of pollution, people-unfriendly traffic, a bus stop outside my window. Things British people take as part of daily life chafed me to no end — separate hot and cold water taps, power showers (yes, showers powered by electricity), funny heating (funny meaning not working so well). I don't miss having to bodycheck tourists of all nationalities at 8:45 in the morning while they're clogging the streets so they can photograph their day-trip to Ockford.

It's also wearying to be a foreigner everywhere you go, having to explain why your accent sounds the way it does, why you're not fat and stupid like all Americans, why it's not possible to nip to Los Angeles for the weekend. (For British people, used to living on a very compact island, their concept of American geography is skewed at best.)

After finishing off my whirlwind year of jetsetting by spending a month in the wilds of Alaska, I returned home. Lexington hasn't changed, even a smidgen. Okay, we have a sumptuous new parking palace and five sorority houses with lush green tennis courts for their front yards. And Night Owl is gone—how much that loss saddens me I cannot tell you. My other favorites are still hanging on, even with the Wal-Monster lurking out on 11: Pappagallo's, the Blue Heron, Sunday's Child, the Palms.

Something I don't dig so much about this fine university: Being asked numerous times the first week of school, "Are you a freshman?" I don't go out in herds, I can drink legally, I haven't hooked up in ages, I practically carry a cane and walker I'm such an old lady. But because half of the school has never seen me before, I apparently send out desperate freshman girl vibes. When I am much older I can imagine I would leap with joy if someone mistook me for a wee girl of 18. I've survived enough years in the Science Center and I'm damn near done my gen-eds and for that I think I should get some respect. I am not alone in this sentiment which had been voiced by many of my fine fellow senior ladies. A little advice — ask, "What year are you?" Boys (and most of you are still boys), please stick to scamming on your fellow classmates. Girls, and this is mainly the sophomores, watch who you're trying to rush. I'm already in a sorority, thanks. Two would simply be too much — my hands would fall off from all the clapping.

So, kids, take a break from hooking up and talking about what you did in high school, study my picture and the next time you see me out (which albeit is not that often), think before asking "Are you a freshman?"

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W&L wins opener: a first in 16 years

By Jeremy Franklin
STAFF WRITER

Washington and Lee put together a string of 26 unanswered points, winning their season opener for the first time since 1984, 32-19 over Johns Hopkins Saturday at Wilson Field.

Bobby Littlehale completed 17-of-28 passes for 199 yards and a pair of touchdowns in his first career start under center for the Generals. Davis White, who finished with eight catches for 107 yards, was on the receiving end of both scores.

"It's just a wonderful victory for the program," W&L head coach Frank Miriello said. "It gives the kids a whole lot more confidence. They worked hard for three weeks, and they get a paycheck like this."

Johns Hopkins, which hadn't lost to the Generals since 1962, turned the ball over four times and finished with just 12 yards rushing.

Blue Jay head coach Jim Margraff expected some of the miscues, especially considering the youth of his 2000 roster.

"It's always tough to lose, and it's certainly tough to open up with a loss on the road," Margraff said. "But W&L played very well today, and we've got a lot of question marks. We've always treated (the season opener) as a time to look at a few different guys and play a number of different players."

Both teams struggled early on offense, as Andy Vendig kicked field goals of 30 and 37 yards to give the Generals a 6-0 lead less than a minute into the second quarter.

Johns Hopkins scored on its next two offensive series, as Rob Heleniak connected with Zach Baylin on touchdown strikes of 17 and 11 yards to put

the Blue Jays up 13-6 with 58 seconds to play in the half.

Had Miriello trusted his first instinct, that score would have remained undisturbed going into the break.

"At that point, I was thinking we should kill the clock and go into half-time," Miriello said. "They said, 'Hey, let's run our one-minute drill.' That was a critical series, looking back on it."

Littlehale completed four of his five pass attempts on the drive, including a 31-yard touchdown to White, as W&L knotted the game with nine seconds to spare.

The game-tying drive also gave the Generals some needed momentum, which they used to roll off 17 unanswered third quarter points.

"They got tired, and we put a little more pressure on them," Miriello said of the Blue Jays. "Our kids were fired up coming out of the locker room."

The Generals struck up a 17-play, 81-yard drive to open the second half, capped off by Vendig's 29-yard field goal with 6:54 to go in the quarter. W&L converted on two fourth downs during the series, including a 21-yard run by lineman Justin Holton on a fake punt.

Johns Hopkins went three-and-out on their ensuing offensive possession, and a blocked punt put the W&L offense deep in Blue Jay territory. The Generals wasted little time finding the end zone, as Littlehale threw his second TD toss to White less than two minutes later.

After Matthew Stavish intercepted a Heleniak pass, Marc Watson dashed 29 yards for a score, giving the Generals a 30-13 lead. A fourth quarter safety on a botched snap would push the advantage to 32-13 before the Blue Jays scored

with just over seven minutes remaining on the clock.



Emily Barnes/Executive Editor

THE WAY TO VICTORY: Sophomore Davis White makes his way through the John Hopkins defense to score a touchdown at the end of the second quarter of Saturday's game.

with just over seven minutes remaining on the clock.

"The second half, (W&L) did a great job of putting the ball in the end zone," Margraff said. "We just got outplayed in that respect, and outcoached too."

Despite the loss, Margraff was able to pull a few positives out of the game, including the play of Heleniak. The junior completed 19-of-29 passes for 247 yards and three touchdowns.

"Rob did some good things-some things that you need in game situations," Margraff said. "Overall, I was

pleased with the way he threw, and the way he led the team. He's just going to get better."

Although the Generals scored just one rushing touchdown, the backfield racked up 180 yards on the ground. Miriello was pleased with all aspects of the unit's performance.

"This was the first start for Bobby Littlehale," Miriello said of his quarterback. "That's a lot of pressure, and he responded very well-he's a very poised young man."

"Marc (Watson) and Chris (Sullivan) are two quality tailbacks. The

fullbacks-Eric Toney and Kyle Overstreet-are coming up too, so we've got a nice backfield."

The primary concern for the Generals now is how they will respond to their first season-opening win in 16 years.

"We haven't been here before, so how we'll react to this is a concern," Miriello said. "But this is absolutely wonderful."

W&L opens its 2000 Old Dominion Athletic Conference schedule next Saturday with a 1 p.m. road contest against Guilford College.

STATS

Leading Passer:
Bobby Littlehale 17-28-0-200

Leading Rushers:
Marc Watson 14-99, Chris Sullivan 15-21, Justin Holton 1-20

Leading Receivers:
Davis White 8-107, Wes Hardy 2-23, Chris Sullivan 2-14

Leading Tacklers:
Jeff Bahl-10, Matt Stavish-8, Lee Walker-7

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2000 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTIES: The award recipients gathered to be recognized at the football game halftime ceremony. Pictured are Buck Leslie, Jr.'74 (accepted on behalf of his father, Buck Leslie, Sr.), Joe McCutcheon (center top), and the 1950 Football Team.

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SPORTS WRITER

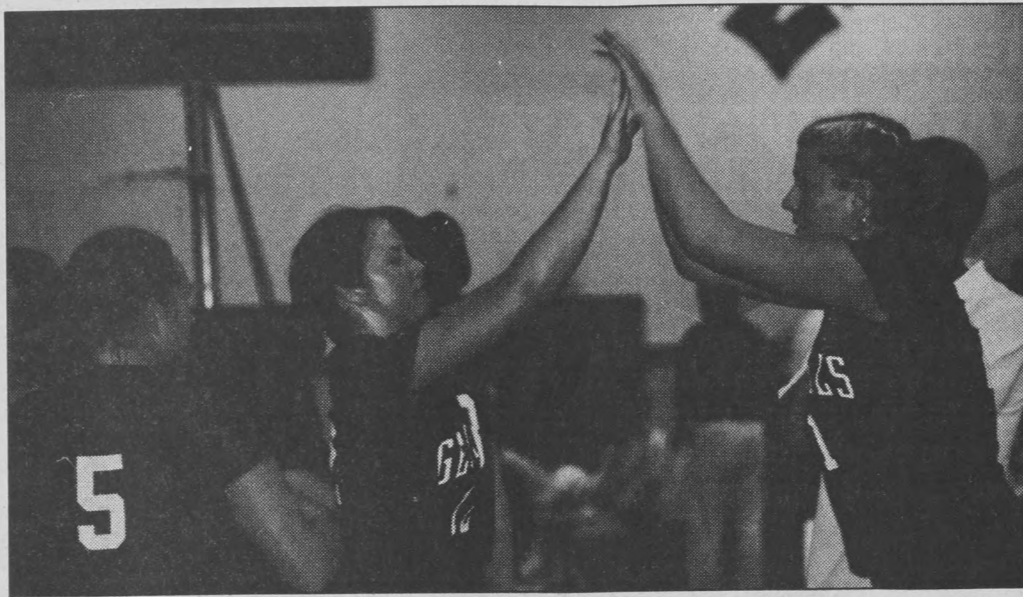
The W&L Men's Soccer team opened their season in an overtime scorcher Saturday against Catholic University. Coach Piranian commented on the heat, saying "The preseason was never this hot." The Generals opened the game with an aggressive attack that kept the action in Catholic's end for most of the first half. Despite repeated efforts by the Generals' offense, however, Cardinal defenders Keith Kappo and Adam Kuemmel and goal-tender Todd Magin kept the ball out of the net. Magin set the tone for stingy defensive play 15 minutes into the game by making a save against Senior Jon Wilson, seeing through a screen during a free kick. The Generals dominated in their own end, with good passing and pressure, giving no opportunity to the Cardinals' offense. With the clock winding down in the final minute of the half, the Generals were still pouring on the offense, again, only to be thwarted by Magin.

The second half opened with decidedly more offensive pressure from the Catholic Cardinals. The Generals retaliated with tight offense that came close several times. A kick from Jon Wilson went wide, followed a few minutes later by a shot from David Kodack that went over the crossbar. The defense showed signs of slowing in the second half when Senior goaltender Jordan Ginsberg had

to step up for the Generals.

The first goal came fifty-eight minutes into the game when the Cardinals scored on a header from Junior Pat Heenan. The Generals scored fifteen minutes later with 16:26 left to play in regulation, when Junior Andrew Grimes put a shot past Magin. The Generals' offense came close yet again with 2:13 left to play when another shot from David Kodack went over the goal. Both teams were playing back and forth when the second half ended.

The first fifteen-minute overtime period opened with sophomore Tim Foley in goal for the Generals. The Generals' offense went in aggressively again, with shots from Phillip Miller and Bret Grote. Later, the Generals failed to capitalize on an effort from Senior Jacek Mucha and Junior Andrew Grimes. Four minutes and thirty-four seconds into the second overtime period, Sophomore Brad Murphy picked up a long pass, ran down the right side, and drilled in a low shot to beat Magin for the win. Murphy, who had previously been denied by Magin said afterwards, "Ryan Nelson put the ball to my foot and I turned around and went to the goal because I saw nobody coming." Said Coach Rolf Piranian, "We're happy to win... we're still getting our game legs." The Generals were chosen 6th in the preseason Old Dominion Athletic Conference. Their next game is Thursday at Southern Virginia, after which they return home on Saturday to face Randolph-Macon.



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LET'S DO IT, LADIES: Women's volleyball team gets psyched for their Friday night match against St. Mary's.

This week's schedule in General athletics...

Football	Saturday	Sept. 16	at Guilford	1:00 pm
Men's Soccer	Thursday	Sept. 14	at Southern Virginia	4:00 pm
	Saturday	Sept. 16	Randolph-Macon	1:30 pm
Women's Soccer	Wednesday	Sept. 13	Randolph-Macon	4:00 pm
	Saturday	Sept. 16	Eastern Mennonite	11:00 am
Volleyball	Wednesday	Sept. 13	at Lynchburg	6:30 pm
Men's Cross Country	Saturday	Sept. 16	Generals Invitational	10:30 am
Women's Cross Country	Saturday	Sept. 16	Generals Invitational	10:00 am

Other news in sports...

By Jake Trotter
SPORTS EDITOR

Volleyball

After a dominating first day in the Washington and Lee Invitational, the women's volleyball team stumbled against John Hopkins falling one match short of reaching the title game.

W&L did go 3-1 over the weekend defeating St. Mary's and Shenandoah twice. Seniors Pam Saulsbury and Katherine Kline led the team in assists while junior middle blocker Lindsay Ruckert finished with the most total kills...

Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team placed 7th of 22 teams in the Lebanon Valley Invitational. Sophomore Burke Duncan paced the Generals with a time of 20:46 placing tenth overall...

Men's Cross Country

Men's cross country was also in action at Lebanon Valley this past Saturday. Placing 12th of 19 teams, W&L was led by a pair of freshmen in Andrew Schorr and Eric Witt who finished with times of 28:57 and 30:29 respectively...

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team dropped their season opener to Emory University 4-1 last Saturday afternoon in the Sewanee Soccer Tournament.

Freshman Susannah Hewlett scored the General's only goal midway through the first half. Senior Lauren Harris recorded 20 saves for the General's who will try to rebound in their second game played Sunday morning.



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THUNDERBOLT: Andrew Grimes's punishing kick blasts by Catholic U. defenders to tie the score.

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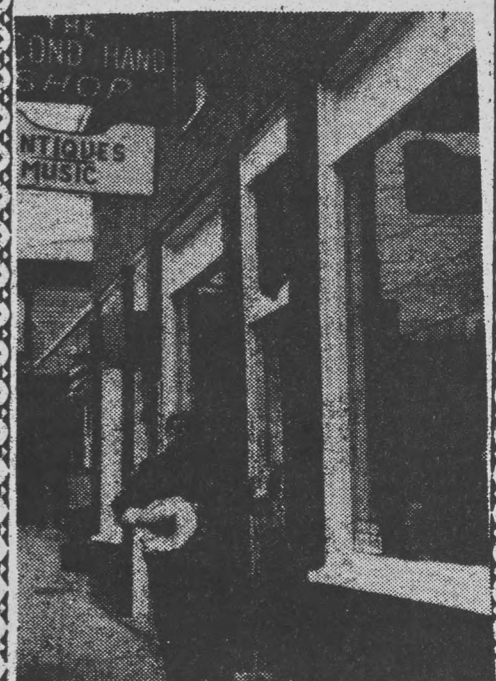
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Get a tattoo, go to a drive-in. . . in Lex?

Lexington welcomes new body art shop

By Ashley Klimp
STAFF WRITER

Historical Lexington witnessed the arrival of something old and something new with the establishment of Painted Lady Tattoos and Body Piercing and the return of Hull's Drive-In.

The Painted Lady, which opened on the 13th of July, is named after its owner, Robin Hartman. "The Painted Lady" had been her nickname for years, stemming from her intricately drawn tattoos, which include a flowering vine and a parrot. She and her husband Phil Hartman own the store, where John Alls works as a piercer and Mark Greene works as a tattooist and piercer.

The Hartmans chose Lexington for two reasons. First, the closest competition is in Roanoke. Second, Lexington is a college-town twice over.

Some, however, feel that the Painted Lady is a little out of place amidst the antique stores and quaint shops and restaurants.

"Our biggest concern about opening in Lexington was [that] it was historical and more conservative than what Harrisonburg might be," said Hartman. "We've been welcomed basically. Most of the business people we talked to have come by, welcomed us, and told us good luck. . . The town manager [Jon Ellestad] who issued our business license wished us the best of luck."

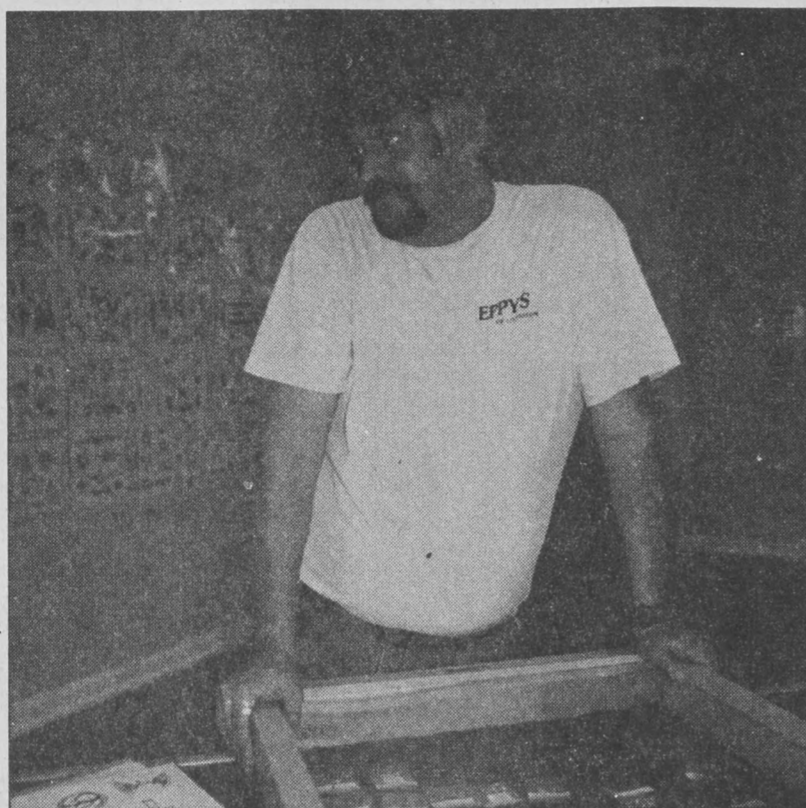


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NO PAIN, NO GAIN. Co-Owner Phil Hartman displays some of the designs available at the new tattoo and piercing shop on Jefferson Street.

The Painted Lady features many styles of tattooing, including the "old school" style, with bright colors and wide lines and the "fine line" style, which is very detailed and intricate, similar to a pencil drawing.

Piercing is also a complex art. Tragus, Conch, Helix, and Anti-Helix are all different areas of ear cartilage that can be pierced, along with eyebrows, nostrils, and septum (the cartilage wall separating the nostrils). For the brave

of heart, there is the Marilyn, which is an earring placed through the cheek much like a beauty mark. Then there are the piercings below the belt. . .

So far, the artists at The Painted Lady have mainly catered to the needs of Virginia Military Institute cadets and the townspeople. Not many Washington and Lee students have ventured into the store. As the year progresses, however, that may change.

Drive-In revived by donations and Hull's Angels

By Ashley Klimp
STAFF WRITER

Though Hull's Drive-In is not a new business, its return is making waves. It originally opened in 1950 and operated continually until 1997, when the drive-in was sold to a family friend who opened it but found it too expensive.

Concerned residents of Lexington held a meeting to see if the drive-in's closing could be forestalled. A result of that meeting was Hull's Angels, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the drive-in. There is a five dollar fee to join. Since its establishment membership has grown to over 500.

The driving force behind Hull's Angels are Elise and Eric Sheffield, who organized the original meeting. They



photo courtesy of Elise Sheffield

GO SPEEDRACER. This classic car, a 1954 Oldsmobile Rocket 88, will be the grand prize in a raffle at Hull's Drive-In on Sunday night.

have arranged to lease the drive-in for two years with the intent to buy. Though now it is only a question of when the organization will own Hull's, it was not always the case. At the end of the 1998 school year, Hull's Angels even approached fraternities and sororities for donations. With the help of the Washington and Lee Greek societies as well as various donations from other individuals and organizations, Hull's Drive-

in has been preserved. "The great thing about Hull's is that it is for everybody," Elise Sheffield said. "It's a common ground, where people from all walks of life come and have a good time together and there's not many places where we can do that."

Hull's Angels is unique in that it is run on a strictly non-profit basis. Putting all profits right back into the drive-in allows the business to keep prices fairly low (only \$4.00 for a double feature). Hull's Drive-In, one of only nine in Virginia, was featured in People magazine.

This coming weekend Hull's Drive-In will be featuring a special event: Anyone owning a classic, hot rod, or muscle car is invited to enter a full hour early (at 5:30) for a chance at the best parking places. This presents a chance to not only enjoy the movies, but also to view many interesting antique cars at no extra cost. The highlight of the weekend will be the raffling of a turquoise and cream 1954 Oldsmobile Rocket 88 on Sunday evening.



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TAKE ONE FOR THE TEAM. This brave reporter gets her ear pierced at the new tattoo parlor in the name of good journalism.



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7:00 p.m. - Pre-Law Meeting, C-School Room 327

Wednesday
Drop/Add ends
4:00 p.m. - Soccer (W). W&L vs. Randolph-Macon College
5:00 p.m. - AED Seminar, "Medical School Admissions," Science Center Room 214
7:00 p.m. - Politics Filmfest "The Mission" C-School 221

Thursday
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Volunteer Opportunities Fair, Stemmons Plaza

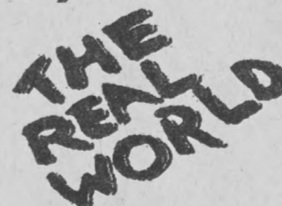
Friday
Class Agents Weekend
4:30 p.m. - Field Hockey, W&L vs. Virginia Wesleyan College
7:30 p.m. - Film Society "Boys Don't Cry," Troubadour Cinema

Saturday
Class Agents Weekend continues
10:00 a.m. - Cross Country (M&W), General's Invitational
10:00 a.m. - Field Hockey, W&L vs. Christopher Newport College
11:00 a.m. - Soccer (W). W&L vs. Eastern Mennonite University, Liberty Hall Field
1:30 p.m. - Soccer (M). W&L vs. Randolph-Macon College, Liberty Hall Field
7:30 p.m. - Film Society "Boys Don't Cry," Troubadour Cinema
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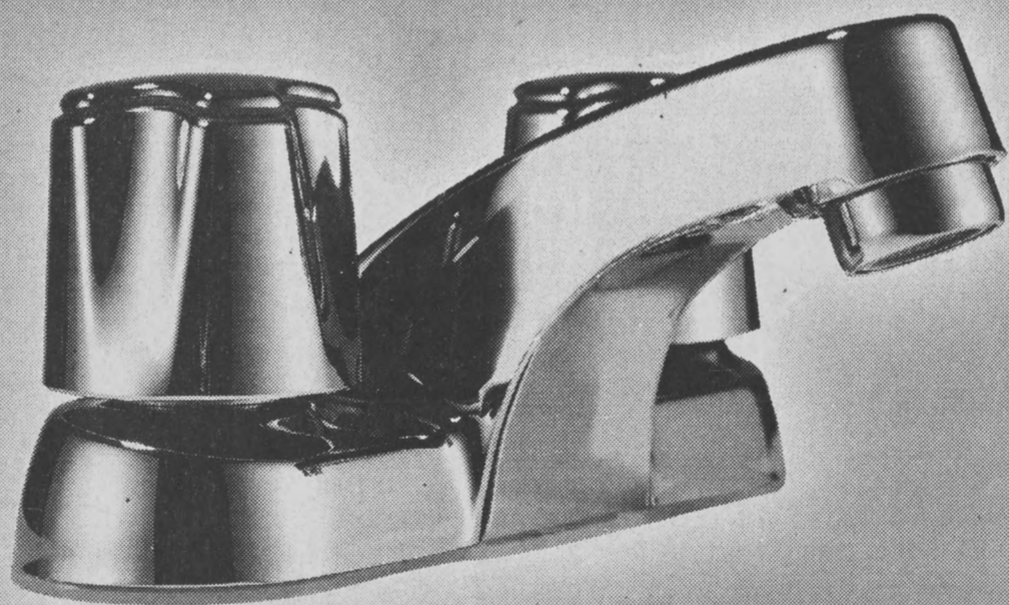
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The Quasi-Weekly Conversation at the Co-Op

By Bawbwa Wawtaws
"I DRESS LIKE A MAN"

New freshmen here at Washington and Lee have the doubly difficult task of adjusting not only to college life, but also to the hectic, non-stop lifestyle of the Lexington metropolis. Freshman John-Boy Malton from Malton Mountain, Virginia, has been struggling to make the transition.

RTP: What was your home-life like?

John-Boy: I've never really got to see much of the world back at the mountain, but I mean Ma, Pa, Bubba, Suzy, 'Lizbeth, and Gran'Pa were all I really needed. We always pulled together during the tough times like when the barn burned down, when the house got flooded, when a herd of nicotine-crazed ground hogs ate half the tobacco crop, and when a bear mistook Suzy for a salmon. All those crazy adventures made us a very close family.

RTP: Is living here in Lexington a big adjustment for you?

John-Boy: I worried about coming to a cosmopolitan area like Lexington. I thought that I'd be swept up in the excitement of big city life - I mean, not only is there a Wal-Mart, but there is also a K-Mart. Golly, two marts! Boy, Ma and Pa won't know

what to do with me when I come back a "Big City Man."

RTP: How do you like living in the infamous W&L dorms?

John-Boy: It's been great - I love all the extra space I have. Back at home I shared a bed with Gran'Pa and Jebidiah the Pig - it is so nice to have a roommate that is housebroken, unlike Gran'Pa. My bunk-buddy, Maximillion G. Thurstan IV, has puzzled me a bit, though.

RTP: How so?

John-Boy: He told me that I couldn't stay in my dorm room Saturday night because he was going to bring some sort of cat back to the room. I told him that back at the Mountain we had all sorts of pets and I wouldn't be bothered by him bringing a cat in... he insisted on my leaving, though, saying some chicks just don't go for that sorta thing. I told him I kept some chickens back at home and they didn't seem mind me... but I guess I just don't understand city folk.

RTP: Have you had any concerns or problems thus far?

John-Boy: Well, after Suzy got mauled, I have always kind of been concerned about bears. So I asked that horny, hippy Catholic guy, Furr, if there were

any of them around here and he told me that W&L didn't have any bears, but rather something worse - the "Lexington Po-Po." He warned me that if I park my Model-T out in the street too long they will "tow my ass in a heart beat" and if they catch me drinking, they will "lock me up in the local pound-me-in-the-ass penitentiary." I do not know what sort of liken' in these "Po-Po" have with doing things to my ass, but frankly I don't like it.

RTP: Is there anything here that you've really liked?

John-Boy: Well, the girls here do all sorts of things that 'Lizbeth and Suzy never did back home - like take off their shirts if you give them beer. I like to see boobies.

RTP: What do you plan on majoring in?

John-Boy: Probably reading.

Already, John-Boy is beginning to find his niche here at W&L. He discovered the time-honored W&L tradition that many other freshmen use: imbibing large dosages of alcohol to make most of his problems disappear - it's hard to feel awkward around the opposite sex or too boring to hold a conversation when the only thing visible is the bottom of a toilet.

Mr. Sell-Out: Tips for Success

Back in high school, many students were forced to make many life-impacting decisions, like whether or not they wanted to wear red American Eagle polo or the maroon Abercrombie and Fitch T-shirt to class. Here at college, though, there are even more difficult decisions: like to

- 1.) A. Wear the black DKNY stretch pants
B. Wear the four-inch-long short shorts
- 2.) A. Go to the party at the Beta Epsilon Epsilon Rho (BEER) house
B. Go to the Sigma Epsilon Chi (SEX) house
- 3.) A. Suck up to the upperclassmen
B. Suck on the upperclassmen

These choices are wrought with danger and any wrong move could relegate a person out to the social fringe where they could naught but play Dungeons & Dragons, naught but eat Arby's and cheese-in-a-can, and naught but wear sweat pants and Dallas Cowboy's T-shirts. Think about it: one wrong word, one wrong look, one clashing outfit, or one inopportune released bodily function could turn this Grecian Paradise into a "Full House" marathon. So to aid the prospective "Big Shooters" out there, I've compiled a list of things every Freshman should do to fit in.

Mr. Sell-Out's Top Ten Hints for Success

1. Make sure all clothing has at least one visible logo of either: Abercrombie, Polo, DKNY, Hilfiger, Banana Republic, or the Gap.
2. Read my book "Dependent Thinking: Staying inside the Box"
3. Say things from beer commercials like "Whazzup!"
4. Wear flip-flops everywhere and loudly reassure yourself that yes they are cool and no, they aren't as uncomfortable as hell.
5. Be optimistically apathetic about classes.
6. Engage in multiple monogamous relationships simultaneously.
7. Rip on N'SYNC and Backstreet Boys then go back to your room and listen to them.
8. Drink, drink, drink, and then when you think you've had enough, drink some more.
9. Act like a Democrat, but speak like a Republican.
10. When in doubt, wear a blue blazer - and khakis.

MORAL DILEMMA OF THE WEEK:

This column is dedicated to continuing the Honor System's legacy by challenging students to constantly think about the nuances of gentlemanly honor, its place in the Washington and Lee Community, and individuals' personal responsibility to uphold its high ideals so that the University can remain an eternal pillar of integrity, high moral values, and enlightenment for another 250 years..

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