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## Trustees convene to review reports

By Michelle Lally  
STAFF WRITER

The Board of Trustees met Thursday evening with administrators and students for a dinner reception, to kick off the tri-annual Board meeting matters pertaining to the management and development of the University.

During the reception the Board heard comments from Rector J. Frank Surface, University President John Elrod, and guest speaker Dean of Students David Howison. Executive Committee President John Comly and Student Judicial Council President Jordan Ginsberg presented student reports on the status of their organizations. According to University Secretary and Associate Director of Development, James D. Farrar, the student reports were candid and encouraging.

"The student speakers were honest in their discussion of their committee's operation, but both had a very positive and upbeat tone," said Farrar.

Following the reception, the Board met for a brief program before retiring for the day. Friday's Board activities began at 8:30 a.m. with the swearing-in of new Trustee, Mr. H. Monier, from the Class of '62, who joined as the Board's 30th member.

After Monier's inauguration, the Board heard presentations from Elrod, Annual Fund Chair Cal deColigny, Alumni Board of Directors President Jennifer Stratton, and Law Alumni Associate Dan Balfour before breaking down into groups to receive presentations from various committees who reported on different aspects of the University.

The Student Life Committee presented the board with the official report from the Alcohol Task Force, the same report the University distributed to fraternity presidents earlier this week. Before any of the new rules are put into effect, they must first

be reviewed and approved by the Board.

Farrar said the Trustees are in favor of the University's proposed measures and back the administration on these new initiatives.

"The Board of Trustees reaffirms its ongoing commitment and support to the Alcohol Task Force," Farrar said.

During the meeting of the Capital Projects Committee, the Board received presentations from different architects and specialists on the building of the University Commons, the renovation of Reid Hall and the construction of a new fitness center to replace the current weight room in the Doremus Gym.

In the meeting of the Development and External Relations Committee, members of the Board approved the University's Capital Campaign, a long-term process to raise funds to help Washington and Lee realize its goals and ambitions. The Campaign will be announced to the full Board during its 2001 October convention.

Funds raised through this campaign will be allocated to building projects, and educational programs to finance financial aid, faculty salaries, scholarships, and professorships.

Friday's activities concluded with a reception attended by the Board of Trustees and 85 invited faculty and staff members. Trustees, staff, and faculty met in Evans Dining Hall for a buffet dinner and entertainment provided by the University Chorus. Mr. Farrar praised the dinner reception as the highlight of the weekend.

The Board's final meeting took place in Northern Auditorium Saturday.

Elrod and his wife, Mimi, were both in attendance and expressed their confidence in the accomplishments of this weekend's meeting of the Board.

"It was a great weekend. We had great attendance. We talked about substantive issues, and I couldn't be happier with the outcome," said Elrod.

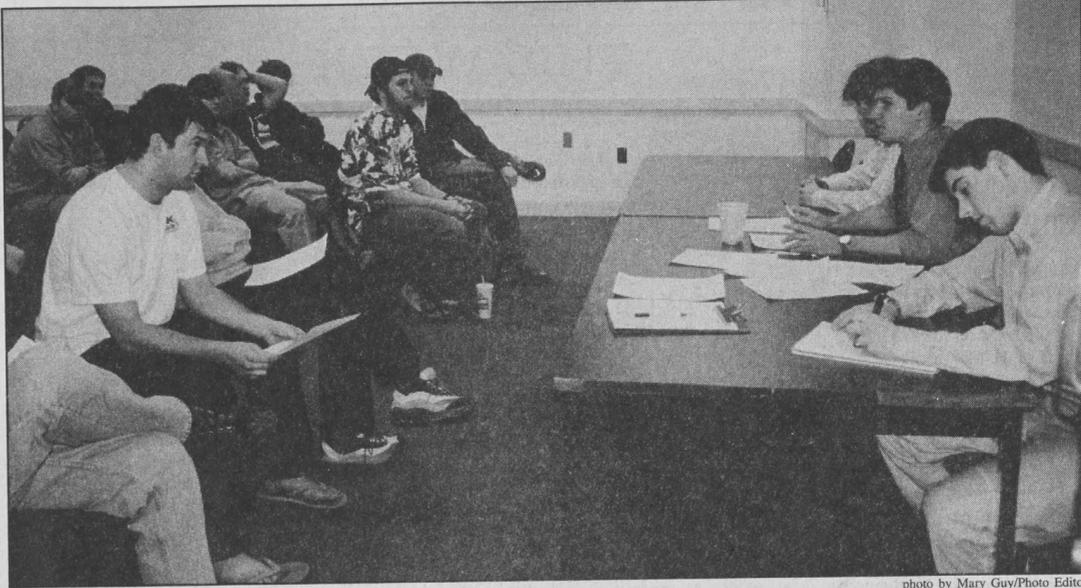


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STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS. University Center plays host for a student-planned, student-run, student-only discussion.

## Protesters hatch committee

Matthew McDermott  
NEWS EDITOR

The new Committee for Student Rights held its first public meeting yesterday in Room 109 of the University Center. The committee was founded by sophomore Chad Ellis, who chaired the forum with sophomores Eppa Hunton and Matt Coursen.

"We all came here because no one is really happy with the direction that the administration is taking with the alcohol policy," said Ellis. "We think it touches on a greater issue, and that is students' rights."

The proposed Interfraternity Council regulations to limit alcohol distribution motivated Ellis, Hunton, and Coursen to form the committee.

"I haven't heard one positive thing about these rules," said freshman Parks Brown. "It's going to put [fraternity events] out in the country."

IFC President Andy Robinson disagrees, however. At last week's alcohol forum, Robinson said he did not foresee a migration to the country because of the policies.

The committee suggested that the administration implement Live Drive on all weekends. Its members plan on circulating petitions to preserve "student responsibility, safety, and preservation of the Greek system," Ellis said. Participants were also concerned about the manner in which these rules were introduced. Hunton said he heard the administration bullied the IFC into accepting its policies.

"I talked to some members of the IFC, and they

told me Elrod came to them, handed them the alcohol policies and said 'Either you pass this, or I'm going to go over your heads,'" he said.

The IFC itself was a source of dissatisfaction for many of those present.

"The IFC [has] become just a way for the administration to get a rubber stamp of approval for their policies," Ellis said. "Organizations like IFC are not doing a good job of representing the student members."

Most criticism, however, was directed towards the administration.

"The alcohol policy is invading students rights, stepping on toes, going in the wrong direction," Hunton said. "President Elrod's alcohol policy came as a result of the tragedy in late October and his reactionary policies are attacking [student autonomy]."

## Alcohol task force evaluates ideas

By Mike Agnello  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Alcohol Task Force debated several possible new regulations during its third meeting Sunday.

The task force, chaired by Will Coffman '03, Physics Professor Tom Williams, and Director of Student Health Services Dr. Jane Horton, met for six hours to discuss parental notification for alcohol-related arrests and a single-sanction penalty of one year's suspension for a DUI. The group also talked about the role of hard liquor at Greek functions. Although the task force cannot make policy, it can make recommendations to the Student Affairs Committee and University President John Elrod. Dean of Students David Howison, a member of the task force, said hard liquor needs to become less of a presence at parties.

"Most serious problems related to alcohol involve hard liquor," Howison said.

The IFC proposed a 9:00 p.m. cutoff for hard liquor at parties. They will vote on the proposal at their meeting tonight.

The members discussed the role of tailgates as social functions and their relationship to football games. Howison and IFC advisor Burr Datz refused to comment in more detail on the nature of the discussion.

The group also examined the role of the Student Judicial Council and the Executive Committee in punishing alcohol-related offenses. Currently, the SJC has only indirect authority over these incidents. If an intoxicated student gets into a fight, they can punish that student only for fighting, said SJC President Jordan Ginsberg. This year is the first year the SJC can hear DUI cases.

The task force also evaluated the effective-

ness of new and old programs designed to curb the harmful effects of alcohol. The student-run Live Drive program and University-run Safe Ride program were judged successful in reducing the risk of alcohol-related accidents. Coffman said these programs' effectiveness was one of the few areas of agreement.

"Everybody believed that these programs are a step in the right direction," Coffman said. "Nobody should have a problem finding a ride home."

Howison said he was impressed with the Task Force's discussion.

"I feel energized [because] we're making progress," Howison said.

The task force will sponsor a series of forums open to the university community before they meet again to discuss their final recommendations to President Elrod. Their next meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 3.



photo by Emily Barnes/Executive Editor

NIGHT TO REMEMBER. University Chorus sings while Trustees dine at Evans.

## Women's studies program established

### Proposal results in new concentration

By Katie Howell  
STAFF WRITER

Five years of planning came to fruition after Washington and Lee faculty approved a new interdepartmental women's studies concentration Tuesday.

Associate English Professor Lesley Wheeler, Associate Professor of Psychology Jeanine Stewart and Associate French Professor Domnica Radulescu requested the addition of the women's studies program.

Their proposal, which was approved Tuesday, has received no opposition so far, and the planners expect none.

The plan's architects modeled the concentration after the University of Richmond's successful women's studies program.

"The University of Richmond has one of the oldest programs of this type in the area," said Dr. Anne Schroer-Lamont, faculty leader of the leadership area of the concentration. "The University of Richmond's research has shown that self-esteem grows appreciably among women who are involved in their [women's studies program]."

Classes from the English, psychology, art, and science departments will supplement this program.

Female faculty teaching these classes anticipate assisting their students in more than academic matters.

"Intellectual leadership can be carried on as students continue through life," Schroer-Lamont said. "It gives them the confidence to feel comfortable discussing their ideas and opinions among men and other women in either a classroom or work setting."

The new women's studies program is supported by Knowledge Empowering Women Leaders, a student organization that will bring in

speakers and organizes extra-curricular events.

KEWL co-founder Alison Trinidad, a junior, said the organization provides "a co-curricular way to get students involved and acquainted with faculty and with one another."

KEWL members will be required to complete the concentration's requirements.

The first women's studies class should appear Spring Term. Classes will be open to all W&L students. The concentration, however, will be offered to only a few students during the first few years.

"We want to build the program up with one small group at a time," said Schroer-Lamont. "It might take 5 years or longer, but we hope to eventually have a program for students interested in looking at issues involving women."

"Students can take courses to blend traditional disciplines in new ways and will come back to their traditional disciplines asking new questions and getting a richer experience," said Stewart.

## Trailers still debated

By Mike Agnello  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The journalism department's location for next year is still uncertain.

The Lexington Planning Commission postponed a vote for two weeks on Thursday on the proposed location of 10 trailers that will house department labs and offices while Reid Hall is renovated next year. The university's current choice for their location is "The Corral," on the corner of Washington and Jefferson Streets.

University Architect Tom Contos admitted the "modular buildings" were not pretty, but said they will only be there until the Reid Hall renovation is complete, scheduled for fall 2002. The Planning Commission has no direct authority over the location of the trailers, but will vote whether or not to recommend it to the City Council.

Tim Golden, city council member and



photo by Mary Guy/Photo Editor

THE CORRAL. Campus corner is favored location for new modulares.

liason to the planning commission, said Washington and Lee might have to look for other locations based on recent council decisions.

"Generally, the council does not approve temporary structures [at all]," Golden said.

Contos said he does not understand the planning commission's objections.

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**THE WORLD  
THIS WEEK**

By Mehul Srivastava

**President Bush takes part in Mid-East peace process**

After right-wing leader Ariel Sharon defeated Ehud Barak by the largest margin ever in Israeli politics to take over as Prime Minister, President George Bush took the first steps towards getting involved in the Mid-east peace process. President Bush called Yasser Arafat on Friday and spoke to Sharon on Tuesday. They discussed the car bomb attack for which a Palestinian group has claimed responsibility.

Sharon, the leader of the Likud had recently sparked a month of violence between Palestinians and Israelis due to his controversial remarks about disputed religious sites

and his visit to the Temple Mount. Arafat also holds him responsible for civilian deaths during the 1982 war with Syria, during which Sharon was Defense Minister.

**Valentine's Day serves up food for thought**

The American Dietetic Association released a study that found that Valentine's Day meals are likely to be hazardous if cooked by men. It said that if the man cooks the romantic dinner for two, he is more likely than women to use the same plate and utensils, without cleaning them between uses. The study, co-funded by ConAgra, suggested that that "Valentine chefs" "sing the chorus of your

favorite love song for 20 seconds while you wash your hands." It also urged them to cook meat to the suggested temperatures and to keep raw and cooked meat separate.

Not all tradition is lost. A study in North Carolina gave the green light to women suffering from migraines to eat their holiday chocolates. The study has refuted earlier beliefs that chocolate triggers of migraines.

On a related note, a spacecraft will land on the asteroid Eros, named after the Greek god of love, just two days before Valentine's Day. At 196 million miles, this is the most distant object a landed on by a spacecraft.

**'TRAILERS'**

"We don't think their impact will be that significant for the short time they're there," Contos said.

The commission allowed citizens to comment on the proposal. Several said the trailers did not need to be in such a visible location. Dr. Thomas Harvey, Planning Commission Chairman, asked why the university abandoned the original location in front of Doremus Gym. Contos admitted that he preferred that location, but said the journalism department would be affected by the construction of the fitness center and university commons.

"[They] would be very impacted from the noise and traffic would be cut off," he said.

Contos added that Doremus gym was never formally submitted

as the site for the temporary trailers. The Corral was the next best choice because it had a wall and room to plant trees to screen the buildings and easy access to utilities. Also, the trailers would be closer to other classrooms.

Harvey said he did not understand the need for such a close location when the trailers contained no classrooms.

"If there were classrooms, that'd be one thing, but they're not," Harvey said.

Contos said all of the other locations are inconvenient to students and faculty because of distance. He also said a walk from the main part of campus to the Corral takes only four and a half minutes as opposed to 11 minutes to the area around the athletic fields.

Several commission members did not like the contrast of blue and white trailers against the red brick wall.

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Contos said the university can paint the trailers tan or green so they blend with their surroundings. Journalism Department Head Hampden Smith said he hopes promising to paint the trailers will persuade the commission to adopt the university's plan.

"I'm glad we [can] do something that will permit the city to be relatively happy with being in the Corral for a year," Smith said.

The Planning Commission will vote on the proposed location on Feb. 22. Commission Member David Coffey said the proposed location has little chance of making it to a city council vote.

"I don't think [the commission] was terribly impressed," Coffey said.

**Illusionist bends spoons and minds**

By Jonathan Wortham  
STAFF WRITER

Illusionist Craig Karges dazzled the Lenfest Center crowd Thursday with demonstrations of the power of the unbridled mind.

"We only use 10-20 percent of our minds' capabilities," said Karges, "Just think about what people could do if the other 80-90 percent were utilized."

In his show, Karges uses the untapped resources of his mind to perform such magical feats as moving objects and reading others' minds. For example, Karges picked someone from the audience at large. This person wrote a word on a board, and the blindfolded Karges guessed that word from the person looking at the board.

Karges' show differed from traditional magic in that every trick involved toying with the minds of those who were participating. Students were astounded that this man could know their names and what they were thinking just by them thinking about it. Freshman Khalid Hassan said he enjoyed Karges' mental antics.

"This guy is good," Hassan said.

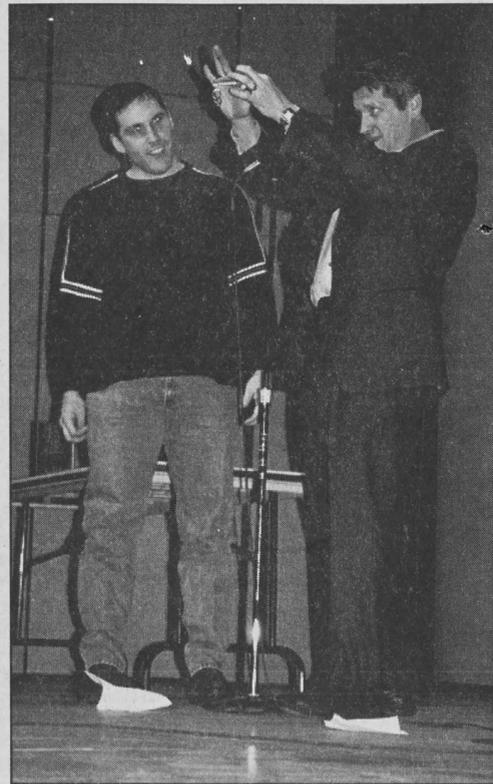


photo by Mary Guy/Photo Editor

Now watch carefully. Craig Karges mystifies.



**Wednesday**  
Valentine's Day.

**Thursday**  
2 p.m. — Men's Tennis. W&L vs. VMI Varsity Courts.  
7 p.m. — Women's Basketball. W&L vs. Virginia Wesleyan College. Warner Center.  
7:30 p.m. — Contact. "The Compassionate Conservatism Solution to Poverty," Dr. Pat Robertson '50, founder and Chancellor of Regent University. Lee Chapel.

**Friday**  
Washington Holiday begins after classes.

**Saturday**  
1:30 p.m. — Opera Broadcast. "L'Italiana in Algeri" by Gioachino Rossini. WLUR-FM (91.5).  
2 p.m. — Women's Basketball. W&L vs. Hollins University. Warner Center.

**Sunday**  
2 p.m. — Women's Basketball. W&L vs. Hollins University.

Have an event you want the University to know about?  
Let us know at phi@wlu.edu.

**Today**  
8:00 p.m. — Theatre Series. "The Elephant Man" by Bernard Pomerance. Directed by J.D. Martinez. Johnson Theatre, Lenfest Center.

**Tuesday**  
12 p.m. — W&L Employees Christian Fellowship Lunch Meeting. Room 108, University Center.  
8:00 p.m. — Theatre Series. "The Elephant Man" by Bernard Pomerance. Directed by J.D. Martinez. Johnson Theatre, Lenfest Center.

8:00 p.m. — Concert Guild. Eroica Trio. Keller Theatre, Lenfest Center.

**The Ring-tum Phi congratulates new University Scholars**

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| Kathleen Gibson | Daniel Vos        |
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| Kara Harbert    | Eric Wechtler     |
| Corinne Mathieu | Jonathan Wortham  |

**Housing Applications are now available.**

Students interested in living in Gaines Hall or Woods Creek Apartments for the 2001-2002 academic year must stop by the Housing Office (Payne 4) and pick up a housing application. (Only one application per Cluster or Group). Anyone wishing to live in a fraternity or sorority must also submit an individual application. If you are interested in special housing such as one of the Theme Houses, please contact the following for specific information and sign-ups.

- Peoplehood Suite, Chavis House, Delt House - Dean Penn - Payne Hall 3
- International House - Mr. Klingelhofer - Tucker 316
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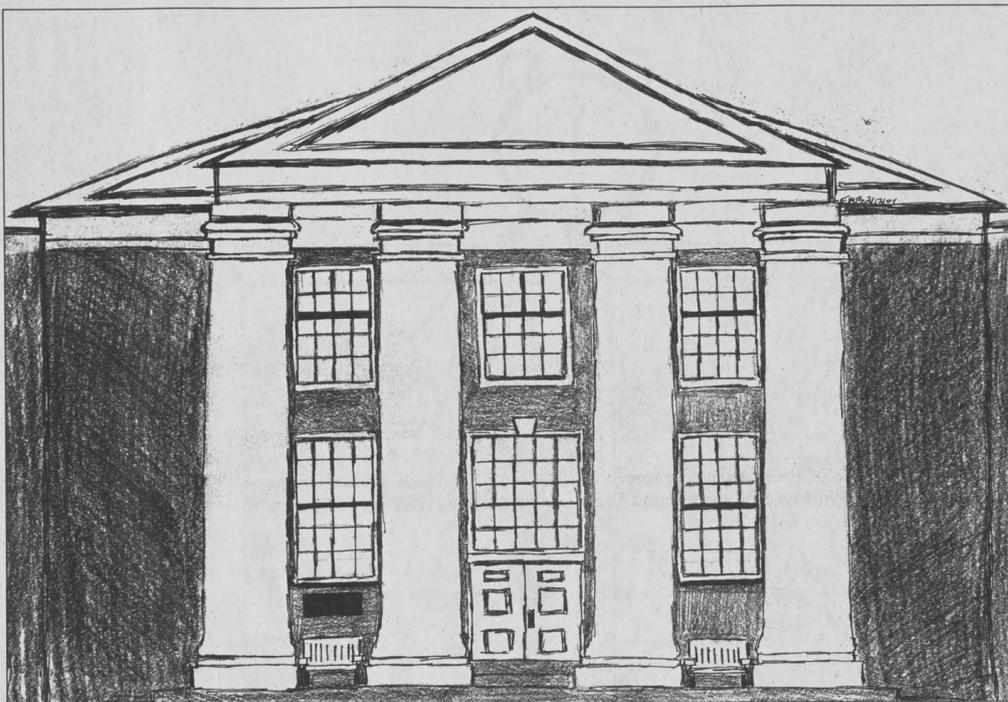
# A night in the life of a non-C-school major

My parents' common lament resembles something along the lines of "Well, if you're going to be an English major, you need to marry well." I often remind them that it was hard enough trying to find someone to dress as Fred Durst for our Famous Covers date function, let alone find someone to marry. "Well, then why can't you just be an accounting major?" they respond in exasperation.

Put bluntly, the C-school scares me. My two expeditions into the C-school were solely to fulfill gen-eds, and they were not enjoyable experiences. What I know about politics and Bosnia and any other world affairs, you can fit in a thimble... and have room left over for what I know about what economics is. That's another horribly confusing facet of the C-school that makes my head spin. Politics. Economics. Everything is plural form. It's intense.

Until this past summer — and I'm not even kidding — I thought the Gulf War was fought in the Gulf of Mexico. I constantly mixed up Gore and Dole. (That whole consonant-O-consonant-E thing. Gole. Dore.) How exactly does 70 percent of the school keep it straight? (Editorial note: I pulled that number from outer space. I don't really know how many students are C-school majors. I haven't taken statistics — another damn plural.) Here is where I interject my article's basis: I braved the netherworlds of the C-school library to experience a night in the life of a C-school major.

I borrowed my friend's economics textbook so no one would cast stones at me when I walked in. I actually typed this article on a computer in the C-school. I tried writing it at a desk, but there were books Clinton (he was the president) probably used when he was five in lieu of telephone books when he couldn't reach his Chef Boyardee. I couldn't believe there was actually more than one volume of the menacing blue texts called *Municipal and Government Manuals*. It's not like I just read books with pictures or anything, but who would even want to read one of those texts, let alone multiple?



A boy sat at the computer next to me (Woo Hoo!). He was studying for a test the next day.

"What's it on?" (I have such good game.)

"Stake holders." Of course, the first thing that came to my mind was some kind of tong device used to hold red meat above the grill. I didn't even bother asking for clarification. "The whole thing is on steak holders?"

"No. Just partially." I got out of him that the rest was on information technology or something, which sounded so wonderfully vague and abstract that it amused the hell out of me. Within the next few minutes, two people came over to him and asked if he "found anything." Apparently, the entire steak holder issue was of grave consequence.

They made a lot of noise looking for stuff on the computer.

The last time I had an English exam study group, we averaged about 2.84 cigarette breaks for every early British story

we reviewed. Here, everyone perched at the edge of his or her seat, and it made me worried that they were cracking Pentagon codes... at least that's how they treated whatever work they were doing.

It impressed me to no end. The previous night, I went to the C-school (Twice in one week. Money.) and I made the observation that if they weren't helping with the recount, they were online reading about current events. One headline I saw someone reading was,

"Woman in Canada May Have Ebola."

That's all it took. Suddenly, I didn't feel so out of the loop. If that's what is topping the political top 40 charts, I reasoned it didn't really matter that my knowledge is limited to who wrote *Little Dorrit*. One woman in Canada may have Ebola. It's not even definite. I can totally still sleep at night.

I applaud the C-school majors in all sincerity because you know what a "stake holder" is, and you can administrate a business, and you know who ran for President. Plus, I need to stay on all of your good sides because you'll be handing out the secretarial positions in your high power accounting firms to us English majors in five years.

## Φ Northerner's Exposure

Kris Pollina '03

## Quote of the week:

"I'm going to have to invent a boyfriend just so I don't feel left out at lunch."

— Anonymous senior girl, lamenting over lack of interesting conversation tidbits leading up to the celebration (or lack thereof) of St. Valentine's Day

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Student urges need to experience Delt Center before judging

Dear Editor,

Diversity is essential to our daily lives. Every group of individuals is diverse, no matter how small, because every person is a minority of one. The interaction of diverse perspectives aids learning by challenging ossified opinions, especially when perspectives differ widely. Diversity is thus important because it is unavoidable and it is beneficial. Since we all value learning on some level, we should seek and respect perspectives different from ours.

Total inclusivity, however, is impossible to practice. In a community like W&L, there naturally arise smaller organizations that allow for closer interaction between individuals. It is simply impossible for any such organization to include every person because each organization must define its values, and some people will differ with those values. When these organizations bring people together, they provide unity within diversity, but they threaten to destroy the larger community when they become insular and exclusive.

This is precisely the complaint brought against the Delt Center, the Living-Learning Center Alexis Yee-Garcia referred to in the last *Ring-tum Phi* (2/5/01). Ms. Yee-Garcia criticizes the Delt Center on the grounds that it isolates independents and minorities, thus defeating the purpose of diversity, but she mistakes the nature of the center. As a member and resident of the center, I can say without reservation that the Delt Center models the theoretical ideal of diversity and it has the potential to exemplify it in practice.

The Delt Center promotes learning, diversity, and service through residence at the house and through activities open to all. The center believes that these three values are integrally connected, and it holds discussions, parties, and service projects in order to promote them consistently. In many ways, the Delt Center is the ideal way to promote diversity since its residential element provides daily interaction within a diverse group and its active element includes the entire community.

As Ms. Yee-Garcia rightly points out, the center does not currently have the support of the entire community, which impedes the realization of its goals. Sadly, some mistake the center for a haven for those who have been excluded from the Greek system, and others say that it serves only independents and minorities. However, residence in the center is open to all males regardless of Greek affiliation, and everyone is welcome at its activities regardless of gender. The values of the center are valuable for everyone at W&L, and our activities have been well-attended by students of all types. If isolation exists, it is on the part of those who misjudge the Delt Center without first learning about it.

The Delt Center has the potential to allow for the close interaction of a diverse group in a variety of social contexts, and thus it deserves the support of the entire community. The Delt Center may become a powerful force for learning, diversity, and service at W&L, but this will come only through thoughtfulness and respect. All who care about diversity — and we all should — should support organizations such as the Delt Center that promote it. This issue demands action — there is no excuse for ignorance and apathy.

Sincerely,  
 David Newheiser '03

### Student responds to last week's "Cat's Corner"

Dear Editor,

I was disappointed to read a line in last week's "Cat Corner" making fun of W&L women who have eating disorders and abusive boyfriends. I happen to know some of these women, and I fear that they will be upset by that column. Women who struggle with these issues deserve our community's respect, support, and empathy. These issues are serious problems that take much time and effort to resolve. Let's not make life more difficult for these women in our community by making fun of them in the Monday Phi.

Sincerely,  
 Julie Fitzer '03

## Cat's Corner



By Christine Metzger

After some fringe reactions to last week's column, I half-expected to see the local paper headlines read: "Catgirl beaten into unrecognizable pulp by herd of rabid, Kate Spade-wielding sorority girls." As a writer I am fully aware that it is impossible, once the words are written, to control or even second-guess the reaction the readers will have.

Readers, given enough loopholes, can interpret anything they want out of text (just ask an English major). Some of you out there apparently thought that last week's column made light of people with eating disorders or in abusive relationships. Far from it: I merely wanted to bring these problems into the light. That said, I also did not mean to portray myself as a hater of all men. (Some, yes, but certainly not all.) One of my dearer boy friends made the point that we girls are or can be pretty terrible, too. And I had to agree with him.

I had originally planned to write an entirely self-serving column about the party we had on Saturday at the Cathouse (or the Caternity House as we resident Tri-Delts like to call it). Except I found it imperative to retire at the wee hour of eleven o'clock, and with only a brief foray into fratland (by brief I mean approximately 42 seconds spent in the jumpin' basement of SPE), I did not participate in or witness enough hijinks to write about. It was the first party I have ever thrown (aside from a disastrous attempt in high school) and I realize now the life of your average party-planning frat boy is harder than we all think. (Insert sarcasm here.) To be fair, boys don't find it necessary to decorate the house or make sure the punch actually tastes good when preparing for a party, but the hassle of buying enough alcohol for a small, off-age army and making sure all nice, breakable, and/or potentially embarrassing things are out-of-reach cured me of wanting to have another party for a long time. There are also sticky red punch trails all around our house which I don't like at all. Sure, the girl-to-guy ratio was something like 71:1, Furman (the cat) was attacked by fits of nervous flutulence, and I misplaced my shoes, but all in all it was a success. Rumor has it one of my friends was sober and had a good time. (Don't worry, we surely won't make a habit of that.)

And then there's the politics of throwing a party. Invitations for private house parties always pose the problem of hurting the feelings of those poor souls not invited. Rather than having been part of some larger malicious plot against you, in our case it probably had something more to do with the fact that we are lazy, unorganized, absent-minded girls. I still had half-wet hair and hadn't eaten dinner when our first guests arrived; even with all the planning, it still surprised us when people showed up. I also don't have an alcohol allowance in my monthly trust fund allocation and since I am not willing to cut back on things like food and heating, I could only buy so much to drink. Since everyone here is loathe to bring a bottle to a party, we could only invite so many folks.

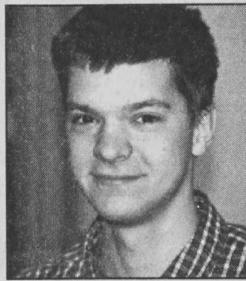
At least frat parties as they exist here and now don't require invite lists. While visiting a friend at Penn State my sophomore year, she took me to a party at SAE. Okay, I dragged her there because I said that I really just wanted to see if the fuss about the Sons of Adam and Eve was the same there as it is here, since we (me and SAE) unfortunately spend little quality time together at W&L. We had to go through this whole rigamarole at the door of handing in three picture IDs, a blood and bone marrow sample, letters from our mothers and doctors as well as a donation of four canned goods (good ones, too, not just crap that had been in the cupboard since 1981). I actually left Julie to do all that and snuck in, but I can't imagine such a system working here. It seems a pretty inefficient system since I was able to waltz right in with minimal eyelash-batting and since it didn't take much to be on the list in the first place. The thing was about as long as the Lexington phone book and Julie was invited through someone she knew indirectly. I also find the idea of queuing in the cold for a fraternity party downright offensive. I found the police presence at that fraternity party admirable; I think if we had F.W. Smith breathing down our necks as we got down with our bad selves we might be a little better behaved. Or maybe he'd loosen up.

I think the funniest party-related thing actually happened before the party. We were in the process of unloading our booty purchased at the Mart of Wal when my other housemate came down to say someone had called for me. When the female caller asked if I was home, said housemate answered, "Nope, she's at Walmart buying beer for the party tonight." The woman was indeed my thesis advisor's wife, who regularly entrusts her three small lovely children into my care, calling to see if I could babysit. And my advisor wonders why my thesis isn't getting written.

## TALKback: What's the best Valentine's Day present you've ever received?



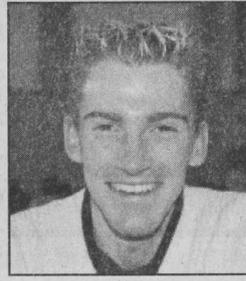
"A dozen roses waiting for me when I came back from Feb Break." -Elizabeth Doerries '01



"I can't answer that." -Dan Tortora '03



"My boyfriend took me skydiving." -Nancy Rhinehart '03



"Vegemite, Beer Mat, Slab of Beer." -Andrew Gardiner (Australian exchange student)

## New regulations will do no good

There has recently been much discussion on campus concerning alcohol. This debate seems to have produced two prevailing opinions. The first is that, in light of the recent tragedies and the general decay of responsible drinking, the student body can no longer be allowed to regulate its activities in this sphere of university life. The counter opinion is that, although the recent tragedies have been terrible, there has been no marked increase in injuries from years past, and Washington and Lee's long tradition of student self-governance, if left alone to function properly, will best solve the problem of alcohol abuse. The conversation will continue until, most likely, the somewhat heavy-handed regulations proposed by the IFC are implemented. Instead, we should listen more to what the second group has to say.

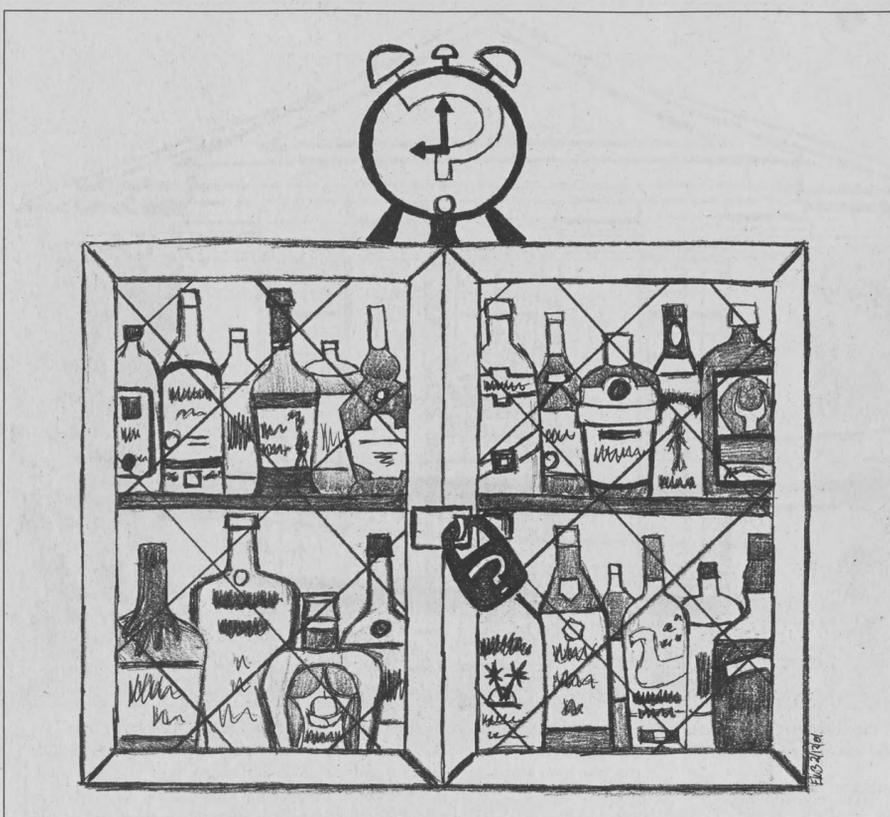
**Φ** Right side of the aisle  
Brett Kirwan '04

Although it is, without question, absolutely necessary to alter the drinking culture at W&L, the chosen approach is doomed to failure. As President Elrod said in an interview with the alumni magazine, "If student attitudes and behaviors are to change, it can happen only as a result of students making up their minds to properly use alcohol." The decision to drastically change the nature of alcohol use at W&L, with little or no consultation of the student body, is contrary to the notion expressed by President Elrod, and by his predecessor, Robert E. Lee. One cannot change nearly 250 years of tradition overnight. The students will not react well to the new regulations.

President Elrod also noted that, "We've got to rely on strong student leadership." Many would argue that every regulation recently proposed has been student-generated. However, it would be disingenuous to say that the student leadership hasn't been acting under heavy pressure from the administration.

Another response would be that we students are free to elect leaders of different opinions. However, does anyone believe that a new group of IFC and EC members would be free to roll back these regulations, once passed?

Regardless of the arguments against the regulations in favor of traditional student leadership, the biggest problem with the alcohol initiatives arises when one considers their enforcement. First, if shots are banned, how will this ban be enforced? Will a security guard or IFC official be posted on every floor of every fraternity house 24 hours a day? Maybe cameras will be installed in every bedroom, including every dorm room, on campus. Maybe the decision will simply be to fine every student or house that owns a shot glass. Will the bookstore stop selling shot



glasses and will they no longer be commemoratives of Fancy Dress? In all likelihood, this rule, so easily ignored, will become little more than a farce and an affront to students.

Although Beirut and other drinking games are a little more difficult to conceal, there are dozens of "country" houses in town where students will still be free to indulge. Wasn't one purpose of the Fraternity Renaissance to ensure that parties and most drinking would take place on university property, where some control can be enforced? This doesn't even consider the possibility of students driving into the country to play, or following the proposed 1:00 a.m. end of alcohol distribution.

Enforcement is nearly impossible with every rule proposed. On a grander scale, we have seen the failure of both Prohibition and the War on Drugs; why do leaders

continue to believe that simple illegality will solve anything? The only result will be a substance-less, certainly not substance-free, affront to student autonomy.

Some proposed rules, such as the automatic suspension following a DUI conviction, are easily enforceable and send a clear message that grossly irresponsible drinking, which puts oneself and others at risk, will not be tolerated. This two-pronged standard should be used to evaluate all proposed regulations.

Those with the authority to hand down restrictions on alcohol need to take a step back and reconsider the anticipated effectiveness of the proposed regulations. Instead of branding every W&L student as a drunk and issuing unenforceable and autocratic edicts, they should look to W&L's responsible drinkers, by far the majority, to set an example and urge other students to follow.

## Responsibility: The lost virtue

"The only rule that we have is that all men at this college act like gentlemen," said Robert E. Lee, thus establishing the 130 year old Honor System. When I arrived at Washington and Lee, I was told that a student was dismissed from the university for lying about using tobacco in the president's office. However, today, the connection between personal responsibility and the Honor System, as the University President said (during the student assembly) "just isn't there."

**Φ** Conservative Liberal  
Jonathan Wortham '04

Thus, an institution known for a lack of written rules is establishing more and more rules to combat this new age when personal responsibility is a lost virtue.

The Honor System is supposed to be a way of building a community of trust, a community where everyone is confident that they can trust everyone else. However, it seems that we have differentiated between academic and personal life with regard to the Honor System. Obviously, with regard to academic matters, the Honor System is in a very good state. However, with regard to personal behavior — one of the key elements of being a "gentleman" — our honor system is failing.

Alcohol use is obviously one of the largest problems of life at W&L. One of the things that astounds me is those who can argue that we have the right to get drunk and get arrested, without interference from the administration. Many shun the new alcohol policy as something that will be ineffective, meeting great resistance. While I don't agree with all of the proposal's points, I applaud the administration and the IFC for taking a step in the right direction. We can't continue to have this kind of culture harm this great institution. As for those people who advocate personal rights have precedence, they need to realize that saving lives and saving dignity takes priority over a few arguable points.

Ideally, we can strengthen our Honor System by placing specific clauses in it. We need to reestablish the connection between the Honor System and personal responsibility. Students should know that these alcohol-induced breaches of personal dignity standards are Honor Violations. If we don't strengthen our Honor System in this manner, who's to say the academic portion of it won't deteriorate as well?



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## “Silence” a tough act to follow

By Mike George  
STAFF WRITER

“Hannibal”  
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What is the most terrifying is often that which is the most unpredictable. “Hannibal,” the sequel to the 1991 thriller “The Silence of the Lambs,” conveys this idea with chilling accuracy.

Ten years after his violent escape from authorities in Tennessee, Hannibal Lecter has found relative obscurity in the streets of Florence, Italy.

In America, the agent that most understood him, Clarice Starling, has come under fire for a botched drug bust that took the life of a fellow FBI agent and friend. With pressure mounting for her resignation, Starling is reassigned to the Lecter case, and forced once again to enter the mind of a deranged madman.

“Hannibal” is directed by Ridley Scott, who in 1979 terrified audiences with the horror classic “Alien.” Scott, a perfect choice for the third installment in a series that includes the cult classic “Manhunter” and the Oscar winning “The Silence of the Lambs,” proves that he is a master of suspense.

Scott uses anticipation and paranoia to bring the audience to a new level of terror. It is impossible to tell what Lecter is going to do next, and that is what is truly terrifying.

“Hannibal” rests largely on the strength of its actors. Julianne Moore is a worthy replacement for Jodie Foster, but her performance seems to be missing something. Where Jodie Foster was convincing as a West Virginian trying to make it in the FBI, Moore seems out of place.

As disappointing as Moore is in



HELLO, CLARICE. Hannibal Lecter (Anthony Hopkins) carries an unconscious Clarice Starling (Julianne Moore) as they escape from Mason Verger's farm at the end of the film.

her role, Anthony Hopkins' return to the role of Hannibal Lecter is amazing. He literally chews up the scenery. Hopkins knows at every moment exactly what to do to completely terrify the audience. The subtleties of his interactions with Moore are as remarkable as the mood he sets when lurking in the shadows.

The rest of the supporting cast is also lackluster in comparison to Hopkins. Gary Oldman puts in a somewhat odd Dr. Evil-like performance as Mason Verger, a disfigured victim of

Dr. Lecter who is bent on revenge.

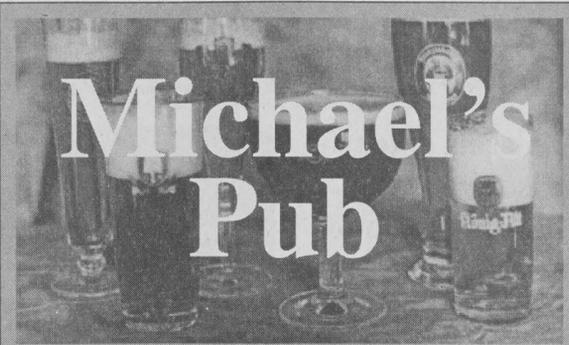
For all of its superior direction, “Hannibal” does have some problems, particularly in the direction. Scott shifts the tone of his film and even the style of direction as the setting changes from Washington to Italy and back to Washington again. In doing this, Scott fails to present a film that builds on its suspense as it progresses.

This film is also very graphic, at times to an excess. Playing on a shock factor, “Hannibal” shows when it could describe. Also, by bringing

Lecter into the real world, it somewhat reduces his unpredictability and makes him appear more human. For this reason, “Hannibal” is less terrifying in some regards than its predecessor.

Despite these shortcomings, “Hannibal” has many merits. Its ending is both shocking and disturbing, but comes to some sense of understanding. “Hannibal” shows us what motivates Lecter and how, in a larger part, what he does is motivated by his own sense of morality. This is a great film, go see it at least once.

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## Michael's Pub

By Michael Crittenden  
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Ah, Valentine's Day, the time for lovers and love; for romance and happiness; for beautiful gifts and spending time with loved ones. Of course, it is also a time for you to try to decide what to get for that special loved one. As a male I can tell you it is always hard to figure out that perfect present. However, there are whole books dedicated to helping us try and figure it out. I went on the Internet the other day just to see if there were any good suggestions and found a number of websites dedicated to just my dilemma, websites that ran from sweet and romantic to the... ah... interesting. For girls, however, it is slightly more difficult I am told. We can not admit how much we appreciate sweet, thoughtful gifts (but we do). Therefore, I would like to use my column to suggest some good beers for you and your valentine this year.

First up on my list of Valentine beers is Katahdin Red Ale from the Casco Bay Brewing Co. I chose this fine ale because of its very distinctive ruby color. You thought Killian's was red: Katahdin puts it to shame. Made in the traditional Irish style with Caramunich and Chocolate malts, Katahdin red presents a nice tan head with a remarkably spicy aroma. Distinctly clear despite its deep red color, this beer will remind you and your lover of passion, fire and romance. With a lingering hoppy flavor and an alcohol content of 5 percent, this is a fine beer and welcome present for any young man.

Chocolate is also on most Valentine's Day gift lists for guys,

but now girls can add it to theirs as well. At least a chocolate porter. Thick dark beers that were the favorites of dock workers and warehousemen (hence the name porter) in the 19th century, porters are rich flavorful ales that have historically included many interesting ingredients. One of the favorites has always been chocolate because of its distinct flavor and the numerous possibilities it presents. There are a number of fine porters that any red-blooded male would welcome for their Valentine's gift this year, however, I will give you a head start by naming a few: the Smuttnose Brewing Co.'s Robust Porter combines coffee and chocolate flavors for a brilliant taste; Big Horn Brewings Total Disorder Porter; Ale Smith's Cole's Porter, rather bitter-sweet but worth every sip; and finally, Portland Brewing Co.'s Haystack Black Porter.

So there it is all you star-crossed lovers, your list of fine Valentine's Day brews for when you are sitting down to a candle-light dinner with that special someone, or when you are holding each other close and need some refreshment. This being the last column until after break, I would also like to wish everyone a happy respite from the daily toils of school work. And finally, I would like to wish that special someone in my life a happy Valentine's Day and let her know that I love her and wish the two of us many more happy Valentine's Days in the future. Until we get back, remember, quantity is never as good as quality in your beer purchases, and drink responsibly. Au revoir my friends!

## Pub is for lovers, friends too

By Alexis Yee-Garcia  
FEATURES EDITOR

Though Michael's Pub suggests beer as a gift for a lover, all of the quality brews suggested would be just as enjoyable at a friendly dinner party. This Thai influenced dish would pair well with the Katahdin Red Ale (or a crisp Riesling). So, gather a few single friends and enjoy V-Day with this pungent entree from *Bon Appetit* Cook's Exchange.

(Try not to be intimidated by the exotic ingredients. Anything not available in the local supermarket can be found at the Healthy Foods Store or one of the other gourmet food sources.)

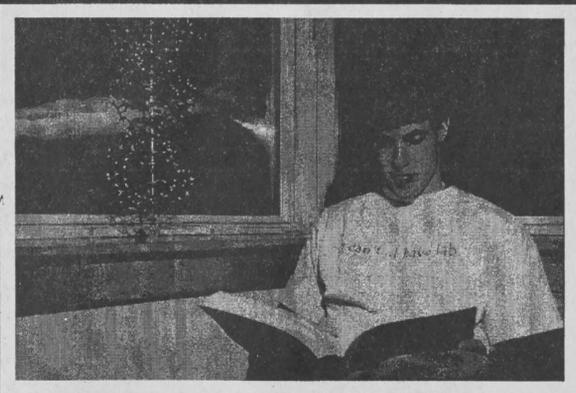
- 14 oz. canned unsweetened coconut milk
- 2 tbsp. Thai red curry paste
- 1 tbsp. minced peeled ginger
- 1 C canned low-salt chicken broth
- 1 tbsp. cornstarch
- 1 1/2 lb. skinless boneless chicken breast halves, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 2 tbsp. fish sauce (nam pla)
- 2 tbsp. fresh lime juice
- 1 small red bell pepper, chopped
- 1 C sliced green onions
- 1 1/4 C chopped fresh basil
- 1 lb. dried pasta
- 2 C broccoli florets

Serves 4 to 6

Stir coconut milk, curry paste and ginger in heavy large skillet over medium-high heat until paste dissolves, about 1 minute. Mix broth and cornstarch in small bowl, add to skillet, cook an additional 2 minutes. Reduce heat to medium and add chicken, fish sauce and lime juice. Simmer until chicken is cooked through, about 20 minutes. Add bell pepper, green onions and basil and cook 2 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook pasta in a large pot of boiling salted water according to package directions. Add broccoli for the final minute of cooking. Drain pasta and broccoli. Pour sauce over pasta and broccoli to serve.

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# Men's lacrosse team prepares to take field

## Generals enter season ranked third in the nation

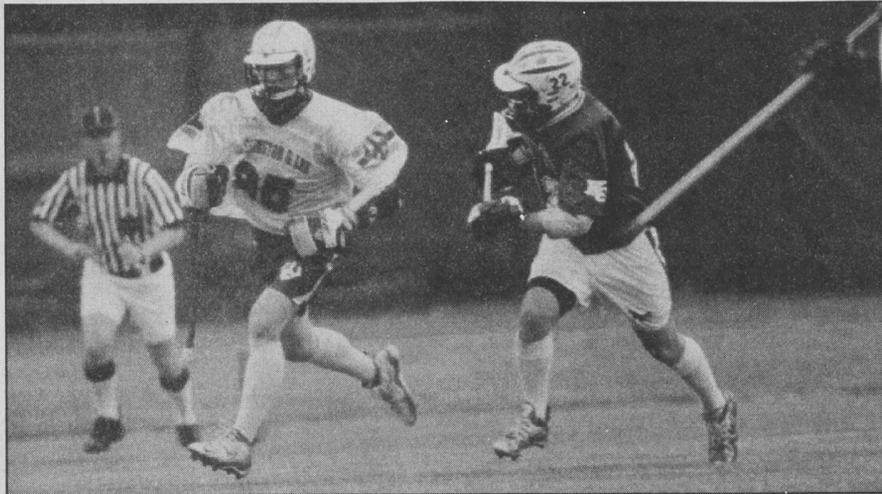
By Geoff White  
SPORTS WRITER

The Washington and Lee men's lacrosse team faces an awesome prospect this season, looking to improve on last year's outstanding success.

The Generals were 16-2, 6-0 in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. Salisbury State narrowly defeated the Generals in the NCAA Division III semifinals, 10-9. W&L finished the season with a fourth place national ranking.

The Generals have been rated fourth in a pre-season STX/USILA poll. Although they lost a postseason match to the Generals, Gettysburg is ranked third.

The Generals are returning three of last season's five best scorers, although this year the team must do without All-Americans Chris Brown and Colin Dougherty.



Courtesy of Sports Information

**CHASING THE GENERALS. ODAC teams will attempt to compete with senior Pete Iwancio and the men's lacrosse team this year. W&L finished 6-0 in the ODAC, 16-2 overall in 2000.**

Senior Matt Dugan set a school record of 87 points by scoring 55 goals and 32 assists last season. He will look to continue his domination this season.

"We put a lot of pressure on Matt to lead the attack," head coach Jim Stagnitta told the W&L Athletics Homepage.

Seniors Pope Hackney and Bernie Norton each had more than 40 points last season. Hackney, who was a first-team All-American last year, is return-

ing as a captain this year.

On Hackney's ability, Stagnitta commented, "Pope is one of the premiere all-around players in the country."

Stagnitta is also pleased with the success of Norton, who was named a preseason first-team All-American.

"Bernie just keeps getting better and better," Stagnitta said. "I think you will see that improvement again this season."

Senior goaltender Wes Hays also returns to the team as a captain. Hays became a solid player last season, and had a brilliant performance in the semi-final match against Salisbury State. He earned a respectable .607 save percentage, and his goals-against average was second in the nation at 5.85.

"Wes has gotten better every year, and played huge last year in the big games," Stagnitta said. "He is ready to have his best year yet."

Senior Pete Iwancio will return to help Hays lead the defense. The Generals were ranked second in the nation for scoring defense at 5.78 goals per game last year.

Some would argue that the true test

of a team is its midfield, where the players must be adept at both offensive and defensive play. With that in mind, W&L looks stronger and deeper in the midfield than in years past.

"We're better in the midfield this year than we were last year because of the depth," Stagnitta said.

Facing off this year will be sophomore Tom Melanson, who won over 70 percent of the faceoffs he took last season. Stagnitta describes Melanson as "one of the premiere faceoff men in the country."

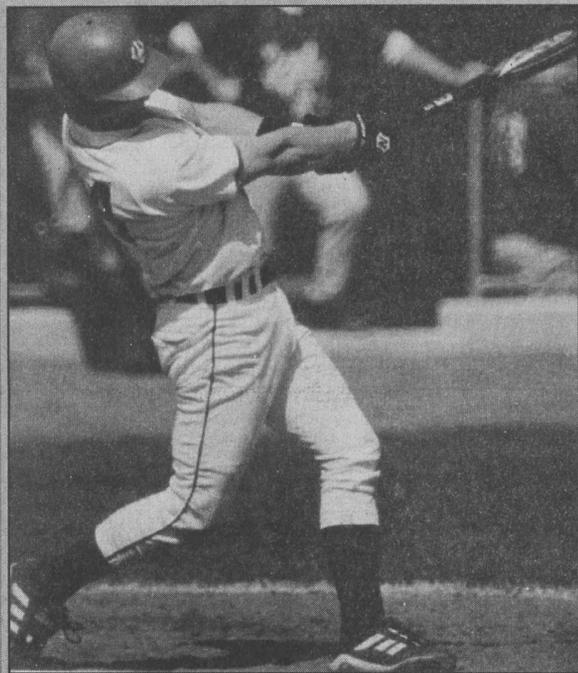
Stagnitta, entering his 12th season as coach of the team, says he has never seen a better group of seniors.

"I can't say that, during my career over a four-year period, there's a group that can match these seniors," he said.

If last year's success and Stagnitta's prognosis are any indication, the Generals should go farther than they ever have before under Stagnitta.

W&L opens the season on Feb. 25 with a home match against Elmira.

## W&L continues upward climb



Courtesy of Sports Information

**FOLLOW-THROUGH. Junior catcher Todd Gosselink and the W&L baseball team begin the season on Feb. 19.**

By Dave Crowell  
SPORTS WRITER

Before 1999, the Washington and Lee baseball team never approached an Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship game or a 20-win season.

Now, coach Jeff Stickley's squad enters a new season with a hopeful optimism to improve on the 41 victories racked up over the past two seasons, the best two-year span in school history.

The team will need to bounce back from the loss of nine seniors

wins, strikeouts, and complete games in a season. Hanson garnered a second-team All-ODAC selection after playing second base and winning seven games on the mound last season.

The team will also look for leadership from sophomore outfielder Bobby Littlehale, a second-team all-conference selection last season. Littlehale returns to the diamond after batting .350 last season and quarterbacking the Generals on the gridiron this fall.

In addition, W&L will receive solid, consistent effort from a pair of juniors. Third baseman Matt Kozora, who has started all 68 games in his career, and catcher Todd Gosselink should help anchor a youthful and inexperienced squad.

Stickley hopes that the incoming freshmen can contribute greatly, especially on the mound.

"The season, as always, depends on pitching, and we will have some freshmen filling some spots pitching and starting," the veteran coach said.

Freshmen to be watched include pitchers Michael Wert, Peter Dean, and Dan Kagey.

In the preseason rankings, the Generals were chosen to finish third in the conference, due to a strong veteran core and an optimistic freshman class. Stickley believes the basic elements are present to compete this spring, his 15th as coach of the Generals.

"We do have the top hitters and pitchers from last year and expect to do well," Stickley said.

The Generals begin play on the road Feb. 19 against Oglethorpe, when W&L will attempt to build on two record-setting seasons and win their first ODAC championship.

from the 2000 squad, which compiled a record of 20-15 and placed fourth in the ODAC.

"This is a lot (of players) to lose," Stickley said. "Our success will depend on how fast we mature."

Key losses include shortstop David Hanson and left-handed pitcher Chris Stakem.

With the loss of nine seniors, the team includes a mere two seniors and two juniors. Senior pitcher David Sigler and sophomore infielder/pitcher Michael Hanson will lead the team as captains.

Sigler holds W&L records for

age through the fall, and Kyle Ulep also bring experience to the table.

While the Generals don't have a definitive star, they do possess enough talent to compete in and out of the ODAC. The three-man sophomore class of Chip Campbell, Chuck Green, and David Haase — a newcomer to the team — is, however, vital to the team's success.

"We don't have that go-to guy," Colliton said. "But I think our sophomore class, with David Haase and Chip Campbell, has provided the steadiest performances, and Chuck Green always has the capability of a low score."

Colliton and the Generals also benefit from playing in three tournaments in the fall.

"Fall invitationals just give us a place of where we stand in the league," the coach said. "The fall competition just tells us what we have to do to prepare ourselves (for the spring)."

Fall competition could easily be a double-edged sword, as W&L has a hiatus from actual competition of nearly four months. However, Colliton believes that his team has stayed active enough as to where the time off will not hurt the Generals' chances.

"Officially, we've been off for four months, but the guys basically go out and play a couple of times a week," Colliton said. "We just completed a five-week mandatory lifting program, and the guys are in pretty good shape."

"Their game is close with a little bit of layoff, but it hasn't been four months (since they've played), so that's not a big factor."

W&L opens the spring season on Feb. 23 with the Guilford ODAC Invitational. The Generals host their own ODAC invite on Mar. 21, and ODAC Championships take place on Apr. 23 and 24.

## Generals ready for spotlight

### Women's tennis team looks to continue national success

By Sarah Grigg  
SPORTS WRITER

There is an auspicious outlook for the Washington and Lee women's tennis team this season.

With the return of six national competitors, two of whom were named All-Americans, the team is sure to be a powerful force in the NCAA Division III and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. Cinda Rankin will return as head coach to complete her 13th year with the team.

Last year, the Generals placed third in the Division III, defeating Amherst 5-4 in the consolation match and finishing with an overall record of 20-4. Doubles teams Brook Hartzell and Melissa Hatley and Erin Eggers and Erika Proko took second and third places, respectively, in the NCAA. All four players were named All-Americans.

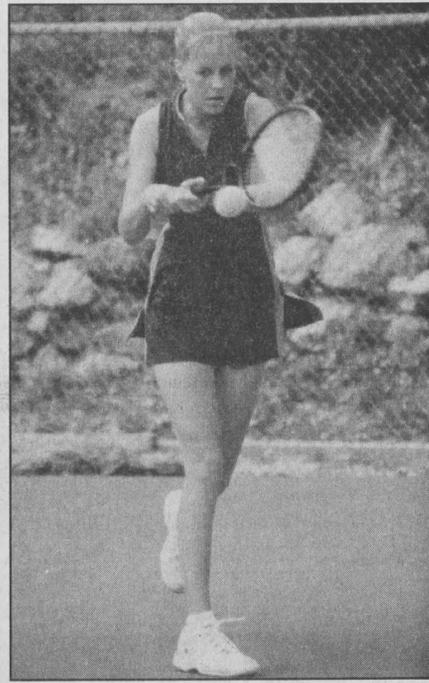
"It's very, very hard to be an All-American," Rankin said. "Only eight doubles teams in the nation are named All-American out of 327 teams. We are the only school in the nation to have had two doubles teams."

Seniors Hartzell and Eggers graduated, leaving Hatley, a junior, and Proko, a sophomore, as doubles partners. In the 2000 Rolex Small College National Tournament, held in the fall, the two took third in the nation. The pair will team up this spring with their sights set on first in nationals.

"Our goal is to really do well in the individual doubles at nationals," Proko said. "We both went last year with different partners, and finished second and third. I think we should be able to win it this year."

Other returning nationals players from the previous spring season include junior captain Sallie Gray Strang and sophomores Brandi Jane Wedgeworth, Alyson Brice and Laura Bruno.

The ODAC will not present the team with any great challenges, as they finished last season with a conference record of 11-0. "I don't think we've lost a match in ODAC



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**RETURN SHOT. Sophomore Erika Proko and the Generals look to improve upon their NCAA Division III third-place finish from 2000.**

in about 10 years," Rankin said.

The top six from the fall lineup will all return for this season. They include sophomores Wedgeworth, Brice, Bruno, Proko, Hatley, and freshman Elizabeth Law.

The team's first match will be against Emory and Henry on March 4 at home.

**Questions, comments, or suggestions about the sports pages of the Phi? Email Jeremy Franklin at phi@wlu.edu.**

## Golf team targets ODAC title

By Jeremy Franklin  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Washington and Lee golf team enters the spring season with its objectives in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference clearly established.

"(Guilford) won our conference last year, and they're the number-two team in the country right now," said head coach Gavin Colliton, in his second season as coach of the Generals. "We have one goal, and that's to win the conference championship. That's something we should do every year here, even though Guilford is red-hot."

W&L should benefit from a balanced roster, which includes at least two members of each class. Seniors Ben Wilson and Clayton Chandler will provide the team with necessary leadership, according to Colliton.

Juniors Curtis Bethea, who is leading the team in scoring stroke aver-

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# W&L wins battle of the record setters

Mentz, Eastern Mennonite's Mullet shatter scoring records as W&L wins, 80-69

By Dave Crowell  
SPORTS WRITER

The Washington and Lee women's basketball team underwent a turbulent week, defeating Eastern Mennonite in a record-shattering game, then falling to the balanced attack of Randolph-Macon on Saturday afternoon.

On Wednesday night, records fell throughout the arena as the Generals defeated Eastern Mennonite, 80-69. Eastern Mennonite guard Emily Mullet scored an Old Dominion Athletic Conference-record 58 points and tied the ODAC record with 10 three-point field goals.

Mullet came three points short of the NCAA Division III record by shooting 20-of-37 from the field, including 10-of-24 from behind the arc.

Unfortunately for the Royals, Mullet provided almost all of Eastern Mennonite's offense, and W&L gained a record-setting performance from junior Jessica Mentz.

Mentz scored a school-record 37 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to pace the Generals. Unlike Mullet, Mentz gained support from a number of teammates, including junior center Megan Babst, who scored 20 points, collected 17 boards and blocked four shots.

Junior co-captains Sarah Schmidt and Carter Thomas also knocked in 12 points and dished out nine assists, respectively.

Against the Royals, W&L used huge runs to build leads as large as 20 points, and finally iced the game with clutch 10-of-12 free throw shooting in the final 2:18 of the game.

When the team played host to Randolph-Macon on Saturday afternoon, however, it was the visitors who used a balanced attack and key defense to win the game, 64-54, and send the Generals to a record of 7-13 and 5-11 in

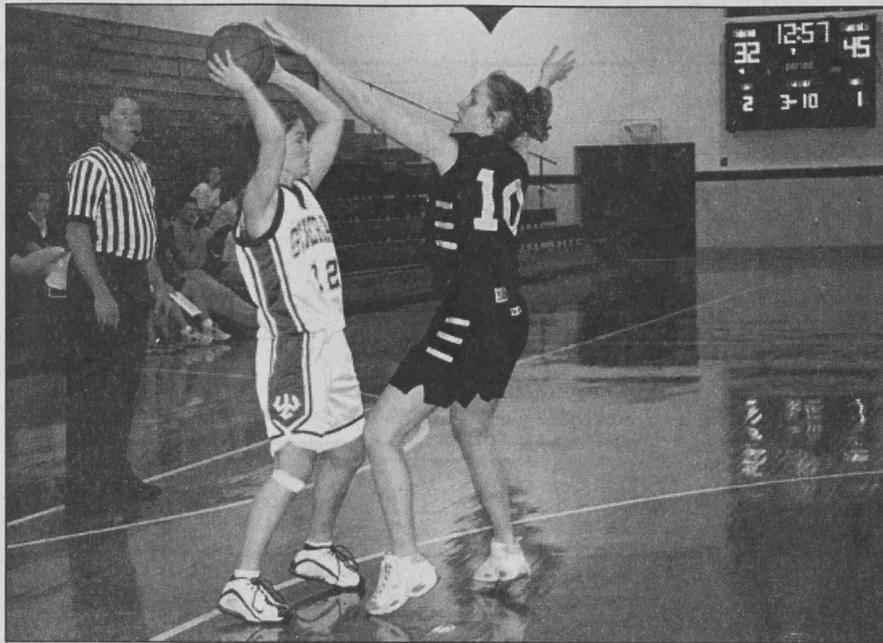


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MAN-TO-MAN. Junior Alison Kudlacik tries to pass over Randolph-Macon defender Rachel Kifer on Saturday at the Warner Center. The Yellow Jackets won the game, 64-54.

conference play.

W&L stuck with Randolph-Macon throughout the first half, heading to the locker room down 34-26 after an eight point run by the Yellow Jackets.

The Generals cut the lead to four points, only to lapse and allow an 11-0 run by the visitors, who built a 47-32 lead with 12:28 remaining. In a complete role reversal, the Yellow Jackets ended the game with clutch free throws,

sinking five in the last 2:33.

This time around, Babst led the team with 20 points and 13 rebounds, earning her 15th double-double of the season. Schmidt chipped in 13 points on 6-of-9 shooting. Following her record-setting game against Eastern Mennonite, Mentz was held to nine points on 2-of-9 shooting.

The Generals look to improve in the ODAC when they travel to Emory and Henry on Tuesday night.

# Men's team knocks off Royals

W&L sports roundup

By Jeremy Franklin  
SPORTS EDITOR

Washington and Lee dropped a 60-52 road decision to Greensboro College on Wednesday before returning home with a 68-64 win over Eastern Mennonite on Saturday.

The win against the Royals upped the Generals' record to 4-19 on the season, including a 4-13 mark in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference.

Despite falling behind 24-11 at half-time against Greensboro, W&L battled back to make it a 31-29 game with 10:34 left in the second half. However, the Pride rolled off a 12-4 run over the following 4:40 to secure the win.

Senior Chad Braley led the Generals with 15 points and four assists, and freshman David Bode contributed 14 points for W&L.

The Generals returned to conference play on Saturday by edging Eastern Mennonite in what was a close contest throughout the game. Junior Bob Bustamante hit three of his four free throws in the final 10 seconds of the game to seal the W&L victory.

Bode scored 11 of his 14 points in the first half as the Generals took a 32-31 lead into the break. W&L overcame 51 percent shooting by their opponent, helped along by 23 Eastern Mennonite turnovers, to knock off the Royals (9-14, 7-10 ODAC).



photo by Mary Guy/Photo Editor

DOUBLE TEAM. Junior Bob Bustamante attempts to shoot over a pair of Eastern Mennonite defenders in W&L's 68-64 win.

Senior Will Ballard led the Generals with 15 points, also finishing with three steals, and Bustamante tallied 10 points on the afternoon.

## Wrestlers win two matches at Albright

In the final tuneup before Centennial Conference Championships, held Feb. 24 at Gettysburg College, the Washington and Lee wrestling team won both of its matches in the Albright Triangular on Saturday.

The Generals (6-5-1, 2-3 Centennial) defeated Centennial Conference foe Johns Hopkins, 34-7, and non-conference Albright, 22-21.

Juniors Ben Segal (125 pounds) and Ezra Morse (197) won both of their matches on the day, and Morse

improved his record to 19-2 on the season.

## Indoor track teams run in CNU Frolic

The Washington and Lee indoor track teams participated in the Christopher Newport University Winter Frolic on Saturday afternoon.

Junior Marc Watson led the men's team by placing fifth in the 60-meter dash and second in the fourth heat of the 200 meters.

Freshman Meghan Hayde won the first section of the 400 meters, and senior Wendy Case contributed a second-place finish in the first section of the 800 meters to lead the women.

Both teams will compete in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Championships on Feb. 24 at VMI.

## Upcoming events in W&L athletics

<b>Baseball</b>			
Feb. 19	at Olgethorpe		3:00 p.m.
Feb. 20	at Emory		2:00 p.m.
Feb. 22	at Olgethorpe		3:00 p.m.
Feb. 25	Muhlenberg (2)		12:00 p.m.
<b>Men's Basketball</b>			
Feb. 12	at Bridgewater		7:00 p.m.
<b>Women's Basketball</b>			
Feb. 13	at Emory and Henry		7:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	Virginia Wesleyan		7:00 p.m.
Feb. 17	Hollins		2:00 p.m.
Feb. 18	Roanoke		2:00 p.m.
<b>Golf</b>			
Feb. 23	at Guilford ODAC Invitational		TBA
<b>Men's Lacrosse</b>			
Feb. 25	Elmira		1:00 p.m.
<b>Women's Lacrosse</b>			
Feb. 17-18	at South of the Border Tour		All Day
<b>Men's Swimming</b>			
Feb. 15-17	at Grove City Invitational		TBA
<b>Women's Swimming</b>			
Feb. 16-18	at ODAC/Atlantic States Inv.		TBA
<b>Men's Tennis</b>			
Feb. 15	VMI		3:00 p.m.
<b>Men's and Women's Indoor Track</b>			
Feb. 24	at ODAC Championships		TBA
<b>Wrestling</b>			
Feb. 17	at Centennial Championships		10:00 a.m.



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## The Press Box

# Spring sports teams worth the excitement

In writing this column, I find it appropriate to write a brief disclaimer.

This article is not intended to belittle the winter sports of Washington and Lee, but to promote those that take place in the spring. Despite sub-.500 seasons for the men's and women's basketball teams and the women's



The Line Judge  
Jeremy Franklin '04

swimming team, the winter sports lineup has plenty to offer. Just to cite two examples, the men's swimming team is 8-2, and the wrestling team improved to 6-5-1 with two wins in the Albright Triangular on Saturday.

Nevertheless, one can only look forward to the spring season on W&L fields and courts. The men's lacrosse and women's tennis teams each finished third in the NCAA Division III playoffs last season, and both squads are expected to be around in the 2001 postseason.

Joining the ranks of the spring elite are the men's tennis team, baseball, golf, and women's lacrosse teams.

The men's tennis squad garnered a preseason Top 25 ranking in the ITA poll, thanks to a plethora of young talent. The baseball, golf and women's lacrosse teams are among the elite in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference as well, and each enters the season with a viable shot at postseason play.

Our spring sports teams combine a mix of veteran and up-and-coming coaches. Jan Hathorn has directed the women's lacrosse team since its inception in 1988, and Jim Stagnitta is in his 12th season as coach of the men's lacrosse squad.

Jeff Stickley enters his 15th season as skipper of the baseball team, and Cinda Rankin is a veteran of 12 years as coach of the women's tennis team. Golf coach Gavin Colliton and men's tennis coach David Detwiler provide new blood; Colliton took over as interim coach last season, while Detwiler is a first-year head coach.

Six men's lacrosse players were named to the *Faceoff 2001 Men's College Lacrosse Yearbook* All-America teams, and five were recognized on the *Street & Smith's College Lacrosse USA* Preseason All-America team. The Generals were also ranked third in the nation by the former publication.

After reaching the ODAC semifinals in 2000 before an 8-4 loss to Lynchburg, Hathorn's squad will look to win its first conference title since 1998, and the fourth in the program's brief history.

The women's tennis team, which beat Amherst 5-4 to win the consolation match of the NCAA tournament, graduated just three seniors from a team that didn't lose a singles or doubles match in ODAC play.

The golf team and both tennis teams previewed their spring seasons with abbreviated schedules in the fall, giving coaches and players a good opportunity of what to expect over the next several weeks. However, the bulk of their schedules, including all team competition on the tennis courts, has yet to commence.

Meanwhile, the baseball team will look to improve upon a fourth-place finish in the ODAC from 2000, and Stickley's nine has the first two 20-win seasons in school history upon which to build.

In the past two issues of the *Phi*, our sports staff compiled previews of all six of these clubs, and we hope that these articles serve as valuable starting points for those interested in the W&L spring lineup.

Without proselytizing, I'd like to make a pitch to support our spring sports. With postseason play a distinct possibility for all six teams mentioned in this article, W&L spring sports are worth the effort.

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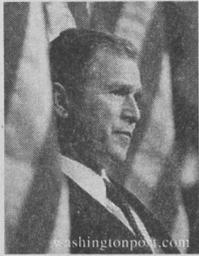
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And I've ticketed, towed and  
taken your car;  
But, baby, you'll find my love is  
still hot,  
When you pick up your veh'cle  
from my brother's lot.

Some people  
like Ghengis,  
others Attila  
the Hun;



Why can't  
someone like me,  
Dave How-i-son?

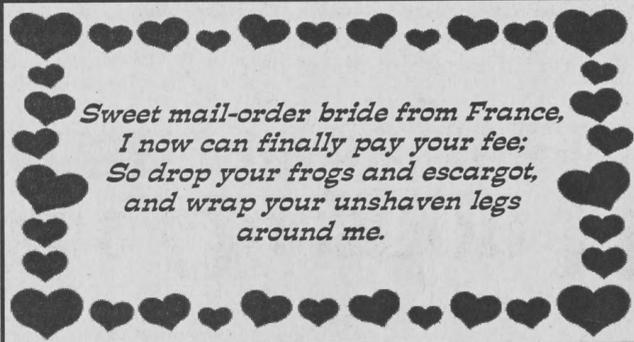


Some people say you're as wide as Shamu,  
and sure you can empty a shopping cart;  
but I just want to slap your leg  
and ride the waves into your heart.

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you just couldn't pass up



Roses are red,  
Violets are blue;  
I have herpes,  
And now you do, too!



*Sweet mail-order bride from France,  
I now can finally pay your fee;  
So drop your frogs and escargot,  
and wrap your unshaven legs  
around me.*

## V-Day lament: DATING SUCKS

Jebidiah "Nascar" Nedry — VIRGIN FOR LIFE

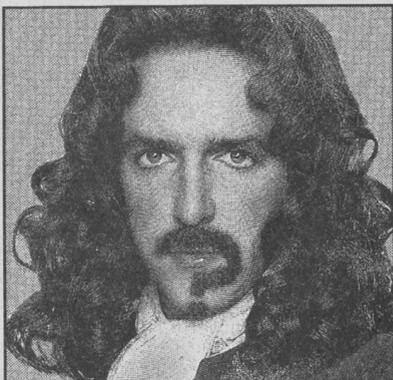
Dating is single-handedly the biggest rip-off of the twenty first century. All the popular kids, the people in movies and on television, and the sloppies of the world (everyone knows who you are, even if you refuse to admit it to yourselves) make dating out to be loads of fun. They're out dancing, eating at fancy restaurants, locking themselves in your room to have sex during your birthday party, and telling people how great it is to be in love.

What about the rest of us? What the hell are we supposed to do with ourselves? Why has nature left us 100 pounds over the wrong-side of physically fit, our faces covered in craterous acne, shy and socially awkward, unable to dance, and belonging to a religion that offers an eternity in hell to those who choose to play cards?

In the good ol' days you didn't need good looks, massive amounts of money, or the ability to speak your spouse's native language. All that you needed was an acre of land, a house, and/or several cows, goats, or chickens. Men of all ages could purchase nubile 15 year-old lasses from indebted farmers and, once married, women did all the cooking, cleaning, and child-rearing. All the men had to do was supply the baby-juice and raise some crops, but that was only until their children became old enough to do it for them.

Then came the Feminist Movement and all of a sudden women wanted to be thought of as equals, wanted to work and compete with men, wanted to ask guys out on dates, wanted not to get married and not to have children, wanted to go to Lillith Fair and buy things. In one fell swoop, women made it nearly impossible for guys to take advantage of them! So now the average Joe like myself is left alone, miserable, and with nothing to do but pine away for ladies like Pamela Anderson and Bea Arthur, who are way out of our league and only accessible over the internet.

Nobody is interested in shy, unattractive, financially insolvent, old-fashioned guys anymore. The only options left for guys like me are to invest in some high-quality mannequins or get a mail-order bride from some strange place like Canada. And believe me, I'd rather die a virgin than marry a woman who has more body hair than I do and ends every sentence with "eh?"



### The Question Marquis

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## Ask the Question Marquis

Q: Dear Question Marquis: My sister's boyfriend broke up with her over a year ago. But his voice is still on her answering machine. Should I tell her how pathetic this is? — Stephen in Annapolis

A: My advice here is going like this: It is not a problem, it is an opportunity. There is no truer friend of passion than the vulnerable rejected lover. You must simply play your cards correctly. I recommend a subtle approach to win her trust. Perhaps you can tell her about Questia. About how much more free time she will have when she's writing research papers if she does the research online. Free time that the two of you could use to, je ne sais pas, get to know each other better? If you know what I...wait—you said your sister's boyfriend? This is a terrible misunderstanding. I have got to stop skimming these questions.

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