

ALUMNI WEEKEND EDITION

Weekend Weather

Friday-Mostly sunny, highs in the mid-70s.
Friday Night-Clear. Lows in the 50s.
Saturday-Highs in upper 70s.
Sunday-Mostly sunny. Upper 70s to 80s.

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It's good to be back!!

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Alumni gather for a weekend full of reunions, receptions, cookouts, and seminars.

Alumni welcomed back to campus

By WILL OLSON
Phi Staff Writer

Banquets, cookouts, special seminars, class reunions, and interaction between Washington and Lee's past and present mark the annual Alumni Weekend that continues through Saturday.

The festivities began yesterday evening with an opening assembly that featured a speech by visiting professor of Journalism Roger Mudd '50 entitled "Tapping the Source" and the ODK Spring Initiation ceremony. Today, alumni took tours of the campus or attended Reunion Seminars conducted by current W&L faculty and students. Seminar Topics included investigation of the ethnic conflicts of Eastern Europe, analysis of the art of Cy Twombly, '53, a panel discussion by undergraduate and law students about life today at W&L, and a look at the evolution of student activism between 1970 and 1995.

Alumni can also look forward to a wide variety of activities tomorrow. Athletic alumni can start their day early with The Stormin' Norman Fun Run through Lexington at 7:45 a.m., participate in the aquatic alumni polo game, the alumni soccer game or the Law School alumni softball game. Alumni can also choose to attend the meeting of W&L Alumni and W&L Law Alumni Associations, a seminar entitled by "Alumni College Abroad: Past and Future," or a variety of receptions. Approximately 685 alumni had reg-

istered to participate in this weekend's programs as of last Wednesday afternoon. According to Robert Mish, Associate Director of Alumni Programs, "a great majority of the alumni are reunionists." Undergraduate classes from 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970 will have individual class reunions tomorrow evening at various locations in Rockbridge County. The classes of 1975, 1980, 1985, and 1990 will party together at Zollman's Pavilion with entertainment provided by Heinsohn & Day and The Voltage Brothers. In addition to those who returned for reunions, alumni who serve on the Alumni Board of Directors returned to campus for meetings this weekend. Also Mish said "a fairly substantial number" of younger alumni have come back to campus.

Alumni returned to W&L this weekend for numerous reasons. Alumni wanted to see their former classmates and other people who attended W&L. However, Mish believes the large number of alumni have returned to campus this weekend for two other reasons. First, alumni want to visit with their former professors because "when you [alumni] hit five to ten years out [of college], you want to enjoy your relationship with the faculty as friends" explained Mish. Alumni have the opportunity to become reacquainted with their former professors and meet new faculty at a cocktail party on the Front Lawn this evening.

Secondly, Mish said that alumni "come back to see Washington and Lee in its current status." Those alumni

who attended today's panel discussion with W&L undergraduates and law students got a sense of Washington and Lee today. Musically inclined students who make up Southern Comfort, Sazeracs, and Jubilee will display their talents to the alumni at 8:00 p.m. this evening in Lee Chapel. Alumni will have further opportunity to learn about the W&L of today when mingling with the Class of 1995 who have been invited to the Reunion Dance featuring Spectrum tonight in the Warner Center. Mish notes that the alumni's desire to learn about life at W&L today also contributes to the popularity of fraternity and sorority cocktail parties held this weekend.

Preparation for the alumni weekend did not commence with Building and Grounds tiding up the hill during the past weeks. The Alumni Office began thinking about this year's alumni weekend last June. The process started with the mailing of 3,500 questionnaires to alumni who have reunions this year asking them to update their personal information. "We get a high percentage of return, about seventy to seventy-five percent" said Mish. The Alumni Office utilizes this information to produce reunion yearbooks which are available to alumni this weekend. In the following months, the Alumni Office sends out periodic communications to alumni reminding them of their upcoming reunions. They also began to discuss the logistics of this year's event with the staffs of Evans Dining Hall and Buildings and Grounds. Although the format does not change

from year to year, details like the seminar topics are modified "to keep it fresh," says Mish. In March of this year, registration material for the weekend was sent out and responses were received by the Alumni Office during the last two months. According to Mr. Mish, Buildings and Grounds completed all of the preparations on campus before the start of the weekend because "the less they [alumni, faculty, and students] notice about logistics, the more fun they'll have."

The only fund raising involved with Alumni Weekend consists of the twenty-fifth and fiftieth reunion classes' campaign for class gifts. For the last ten years, these reunion classes have "provided wonderful funding sources," for things says Mish. Past gifts have included a fellowship for excellence in teaching and the facade located at the corner of Washington and Jefferson Streets. Mr. Mish notes that reunion classes feel a great deal of pride in providing these gifts to the university.

In addition to the events geared to the alumni this weekend, certain events have been scheduled with the current student body in mind. Yesterday evening, the Evans Dining Hall staff provided a special Alumni Weekend cook-out for the students. At 6:00 p.m. this evening, the band Allgood will be appearing on the men's lacrosse practice field. The Free Will Savages will open this concert sponsored by the Student Activities Board. Beer will be available to those over twenty-one years old. In case of rain, the concert will be moved to the Pavilion at 9:00 p.m.

Baccalaureate lunch changed

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
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Seniors and their families will be eating out of box lunches instead of the traditional buffet lunch at this year's baccalaureate.

Some seniors think box lunches are inappropriate for such a special occasion.

"It doesn't seem right to me," said senior Adam Plotkin. "It's graduation."

But Director of Special Events and Guest Relations Rose Gordon said she decided on box lunches because the lines at the buffet lunch have become longer. The buffet lunch, which takes place on the Stemmons Plaza (the walkway from the Commerce School to Leyburn Library), used to have six lines but now has eight.

She became concerned about food spoilage, insects and elderly people waiting in lines. She said the student body is increasing, and seniors are bringing more family members every year. Problems also occurred when it rained. In the past, if it rained, the buffet lunch had to be moved to the Doremus gym, and the baccalaureate had to be moved to the Warner Center. With box lunches, people can get their food and eat in the gym or somewhere else, she explained.

it should be our decision as to what we want."

Senior Class Vice-President Caroline Amason said initially, she was bothered about the idea, but after talking with Gordon and seeing the box lunch, she has no problem with it. She explained that Gordon only wants to improve baccalaureate—not take anything special from it.

"The thing that matters is that you're eating with your family not what kind of plate you're eating off."

Having box lunches would mean more work for the catering services, and she wondered how would the dining services would figure out the number of box lunches to prepare.

Gordon argued that the box lunches are not tacky.

"My job is to make things more attractive," he said. "I wouldn't want to cheapen [the lunch] in any way."

The box would have a gold W&L seal with a blue ribbon. The box lunch will have two croissant sandwiches, one with baked ham and one with three cheeses for vegetarians. Sliced tomatoes, individual mayonnaise/mustard, pasta salad, fresh strawberries with whipped cream and large gourmet cookies would also be included.

To figure out how many box lunches to prepare, Gordon went back three

Eliminating the buffet would make the line go quicker, Gordon said.

"We're trying to speed up the process and keep the food fresher,"

Andrew Schneider, who collected signatures for a petition, disagreed. "I thought box lunches were out of sync with culmination of four years of hard work and thousands of dollars in tuition," he said. "It's like a take out meal at a fast food restaurant."

Senior Lakeisha Townes thinks box lunches are tacky and do not reflect well on the university. She argued that having box lunches encourages people to leave the school grounds rather than to sit down to eat and interact with other people.

"I understand why they want to do it [have box lunches]," she explained. "However, it's our Baccalaureate, and it does it upset people."

Schneider agreed. "This should not come across as a bunch of spoiled rich kids asking for a five course meal at the Willson Walker House complete with a bottle of Jim Beam," he said. "I think all we're asking for is a return to the tradition of the buffet lunch."



File Photo

Students line up for baccalaureate service, a tradition to be changed this year.

Habitat raffle helps build local homes

By BETSY GREEN
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This weekend alumni will have the chance to help Habitat for Humanity and win valuable prizes. Today from 12:00 to 5:00 and tomorrow from 10:00 to 5:00 Habitat will be selling raffle tickets in the area between Newcomb Hall and the Co-op. Habitat president and founder Francie Cohen says the fundraiser is for alumni weekend, but that anyone can buy tickets.

Prizes include a bottle of wine from Harb's, chocolates, gift certificates to The Palm's, and an autographed picture of Muhammed Ali. The grand prize is a week for

two at the Alumni College summer program, worth \$1000. In a strange twist of fate, Cohen's parents won the Alumni weekend package last year. Cohen says, "It's an absolute blast."

Habitat for Humanity will also be selling t-shirts at University Sportsweat and in front of the Co-op. Shirts are \$12 or \$10 with the purchase of a raffle ticket.

The goal of the Washington and Lee chapter of Habitat for Humanity is, "to eliminate substandard housing," according to Cohen. She also said that Habitat wants, "For every graduating class to give something back to Lexington" by building a house. The money raised this weekend will

go to the fund for the junior class's house. The class of 1995's house is almost completed. Cohen said the house will go to a single mother of two teenagers, one of who has cerebral palsy and is mentally handicapped. In addition to building the house, Habitat wants to give the family a washer and dryer. Cohen said that since the mother is the family's sole source of income they want "to help her as much as possible."

Habitat for Humanity welcomes donations, both monetary and material. "If anyone could donate cabinets, furniture, or something like that, it would really help us a lot," said Cohen.

Honor System has long, diverse history

By STEPHEN WILLIARD
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The Honor System at Washington and Lee is probably the most valued part of the school's long tradition.

While the principles of honor and trust can be viewed in a multitude of locales and situations all over campus, the punitive side of the system normally operates in the background—an understood necessity brought about by the strict code of conduct set down for

members of the W&L community.

However, this year, a glut of closed trial convictions and the accompanying student body notices have brought every aspect of the Honor System into the forefront of student attention. An open trial—the school's first in three years—and three withdrawals after being charged with honor violations have also served to magnify the role of the Honor System in everyday student life. The Honor System

was introduced by Robert E. Lee during his tenure as president of the institution.

Before Lee, some professors required students to pledge papers, but, according to Professor of History and W&L historian Taylor Sanders, Lee ended "the war that existed between faculty and students,"

and introduced the idea of a self-policing student environment.

However, the honors system in present form did not appear until the first decade of the twentieth century. According to a paper by Sanders and former Executive Committee president Tom Hatcher, '91, in 1905,



W&L students elected students to an honor committee and adopted a constitution. This committee soon developed into the EC.

The EC's duties were to oversee the student body treasury and administer the Honor System. The first recorded trial occurred in 1906.

Early on, the system was much more strict than now. Students not reporting an honor violation were viewed as guilty themselves. Also, students did not have the

right to view the evidence against them until an open trial. Until 1932, the guilt of a student had already been determined by the EC before the student was charged.

From 1930 to 1970, there were amazingly few open trials. In fact, there may have been only one. Students convicted in closed hearings usually left school quietly. According to Sanders, "The EC cleaned out their rooms and they disap-

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BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

The World

Yeltsin and Clinton meet in Moscow

On Tuesday, President Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin joined other world leaders in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of V-E Day, marking the victory of the Allies over Nazi Germany. Activities included a parade in Red Square, the opening of a war museum, and a reception in the Kremlin. All participants were honoring the 27 million people killed during World War II.

Outbreak in Zaire

Representatives of the World Health Organization have reported that as many as 50 recent deaths in Zaire can be attributed to a hemorrhagic fever. This outbreak may have been caused by the deadly Ebola virus. The areas surrounding Kikuit have been quarantined by the Zairian government. WHO is working with representatives from the Center for Disease Control and the Pasteur Institute to determine which virus caused the outbreak which started April 10. Ebola kills 90 percent of those who contract it. It produces fever, vomiting, and hemorrhaging as body tissues dissolve. It is contracted through close contact, like the exchange of bodily fluids. At this time, there is no known vaccine or cure.

UN troops face students in Haiti

On Tuesday, United Nations peacekeeping troops had to rush a crowd of students to break up a brawl over public teachers' salaries. The troops intervened after Haitian police, after tear gassing the crowd for four hours, failed to control the rock throwing students. About 2 police officers and 25 students were injured by flying rocks or were overcome by the tear gas. Police arrested several students.

The Nation

Domenici plan offers spending reductions

Senate Republicans presented a plan to balance the budget by 2002 on Tuesday. The seven-year plan, as proposed by Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete V. Domenici (R-NM.) includes reduced spending for Medicare, Medicaid, foreign aid, defense, and hundreds of other domestic programs. Domenici's plan would save nearly \$1 trillion and eliminate the Commerce Department and the Interstate Commerce Commission, as well as more than 100 other federal programs and agencies. The plan calls for phasing out funding for mass transit programs, reducing funding for the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities, and ending President Clinton's national service program.

Oklahoma investigation continues

In recent weeks, FBI agents have questioned Jennifer Lynn McVeigh, 21, sister of Oklahoma City bombing suspect Timothy James McVeigh. She has had to explain her activities and what she knows about her brother's movements and alliances with anti-government groups. FBI agents now want McVeigh's sister to take a polygraph test. A letter that Timothy McVeigh wrote to his sister was taken from the car he was driving at the time of his arrest. In the letter, the suspect warned his sister that FBI agents may be tapping her phone.

Debate on Clean Water Act revision

On Wednesday, the House opened debate on the controversial rewrite of the Clean Water Act. The original 1972 act gives the Environmental Protection Agency the authority to restrict the levels of pollutants that industries and municipal authorities can put into bodies of water. The act also provides the basis for federal agencies to preserve wetlands. The revised version abolishes some of the pollution restrictions and includes waivers exempting some industries from requirement to pretreat waste water before discharging it as long as it is later treated in public facilities. The most controversial revision would establish a new, narrow definition of what constitutes a wetland. This new definition may reduce the amount of land of land in the U.S. eligible for protection as wetlands by 50 to 70 percent.

The State

Boy overlooked on school bus

On Monday afternoon, eight year old Joey Coleman was found asleep in his school bus forty five minutes after the driver had parked and left the bus in the lot upon completing his route. Transportation officials were alerted by Sandra Coleman after her son did not arrive home from Fishburn Park Elementary School. Chauncey Logan, transportation director for the school, said that the bus driver failed to go through a check list every driver is supposed to go through when he finishes a route, including looking to see if there are any children left on the bus. Logan is considering disciplinary action in the case.

Roanoke police want new pay scale

The Roanoke County police officers asked the Board of Supervisors to consider a proposal which would fix pay inequities within the department and make county officers' salaries competitive with those in other areas. The \$315,914 proposal would be used to give 105 officers pay increases to address current inequities. The proposal also calls for new police officers to be hired at the same starting salary, regardless of experience or education. The Board of Supervisors gave the proposal a very "lukewarm" reception at their Tuesday afternoon session.

Woodrum enters race

Roanoke Democrat Del. Clifton "Chip" Woodrum announced on Tuesday that he will be seeking reelection to the House of Delegates. He will be opposed by Republican Newell Falkinburg, a Roanoke physician, for the seat representing most of Northwest Roanoke, South Roanoke, Southwest Roanoke, and six precincts in the Cave Spring section of Roanoke County. Woodrum has held the seat for the past 16 years.

Beyond the Blue Ridge is compiled by Bethany Baumann



Exotic cuisine on wheels

Mein Street Wok sells fried rice, white rice, egg rolls, and various Chinese entrees in front of the cp-op.

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ARC reviews alcohol use and abuse

By BETHANY BAUMANN
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"Work hard, play hard." Washington and Lee's unofficial motto coupled with a long standing tradition of drinking, can give rise to excessive, high risk behavior. Last year's North Carolina Governors Institute Survey prompted the Student Health Committee, under the leadership of Dean of Students David Howison, to address the issue of alcohol use at W&L. Because its members felt that they did not have the time to give the issue adequate attention, they formed a subcommittee dedicated to further investigation.

The Alcohol Review Committee kicked off its activity with a dinner for 50 student leaders and several administrators in January. In this forum, students made a general assessment of the alcohol use at W&L. From there, the ARC began its routine activity. The 20 student members, along with Student Ac-



activities Coordinator Michelle Richardson and Director of Security Mike Young, meet weekly. The student members come from a cross section of the university, with representatives from Student Athlete Mentors, Sexual Awareness Group Educators, Student Activities Board, the dorm counselors, the resident assistants, law students, transfer students, and undergraduate classes. Members are appointed and approved by the ARC. The diversity of its members allows the committee to gather many different perspectives on drinking at W&L.

Many rumors have been circulated about the intentions of the ARC. The committee does not wish to make or review university policy on alcohol. Members do not want to card at fraternity parties, make all social functions dry, or ban drinking altogether. Instead, the ARC hopes, in the long run, to provide students with alternatives to typical fraternity activities. The ARC is not necessarily proposing alcohol-free

alternatives, though.

"We're trying to create an atmosphere where people at W&L, if they want to, can drink responsibly...and have a good time with alcohol, but not have the adverse consequences of high-risk drinking," said ARC member Kim Stoner.

The ARC recently submitted a proposal list of alternative activities to Dean Howison. The administration, however, still must discuss the proposal before any official decision is made.

In addition to promoting low-risk,

responsible drinking and formulating alternative activities, the ARC hopes to begin an alcohol education program for freshmen.

In trying to shift the social focus at W&L away from alcohol, the ARC is trying to defeat a long standing tradition. The committee is therefore focusing on long range planning and change that hopes to reduce the level of high-risk drinking that W&L students do both before and after graduation.

Any questions or comments about the ARC can be directed to Kim Stoner or Karly Jennings.



Panel remembers Vietnam protest

By BETSY GREEN
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The 1970's in the United States was an era marked by student protest. Bob Dylan sang, "The times, they are a'changin'" and this sentiment was true even in the most traditional of places: Washington and Lee University. The student protest that occurred in May of 1970 was the topic of a panel discussion entitled, "The Strike Movement: Student Activism and the Vietnam War Era." The discussion was co-sponsored by The Graham-Lee Washington Literary Society and the American Civil Liberties Union. Panelists featured Professor Brian Richardson, '73, Patrick Hinely, '73, Professor Mario Pellicciario, who taught at W&L at the time, Fran Lawrence, who was the president-elect of the Executive Committee, and Henry Sloss, who taught English at W&L during that time.

The panelists detailed the extraordinary events that occurred at Washington and Lee and explained their feelings at the time and how the protest affected their lives.

On May 5, 1970, the war in Vietnam had become a matter of great concern to the W&L community. President Richard Nixon had just ordered troops into Cambodia. According to Hinely, "As students, we had an immediate interest in the draft...it was like Darth Vader hovering in the background." But the concern was more than just personal. Sloss recalls that, Vietnam, "entered one's consciousness as a citizen." A rally was held in front of Lee Chapel that

day by the National Strike Committee, a New Haven group that asked W&L students to observe a national strike of college students. From three hundred to four hundred students attended the rally which promoted a trip to the University of Virginia to attend an anti-war rally. Student Jeff Gingold, '70 had circulated a petition to withdraw troops from Cambodia which was endorsed by the EC.

Richardson said that the speeches were broadcast live on WLUR-FM with a six-second delay to safeguard against, "certain words the FCC might not like." The six-second delay proved smart thinking on the part of the station. Richardson recalls, "A young engineer was working the broadcast, and when he heard a speaker say, 'We're tired of all this Nixon administration b***** and we're not going to take it anymore.'" The student tried to bleep out the offensive word, but unfamiliar with the equipment ending up broadcasting, "And we're not...b*****...any-more!" with about six seconds of silence "bracketing the b*****"

The next day, thirty students picketed classes along the colonnade. Some professors canceled classes in honor of the protest. Many students went to the rally at UVA and were, as Sloss recalls, "pretty fired up."

On the following night between seventy-five and one hundred students met in the Cockpit (now the General Headquarters) to discuss the problems of Indochina and the protest at Kent State University where four students were killed. That night the students drafted a pro-

posal to close W&L and to set up a "Free University" of lectures and discussion groups about the war. Hinely said that shutting down "a Southern, conservative school like W&L would have really made a statement." Some students wanted the option to leave school to protest in Washington, DC.

In a separate meeting, the faculty met to discuss a proposal to give students who chose not to attend class a grade of Incomplete, provided all work be made up by September 30. Pellicciario said the idea made sense to him. "When students were sick, we'd give them Incompletes, and everyone was kind of sick at the time." Pellicciario remembers that University president Robert Huntley was, "not warm to the idea," but he "lost the argument" and the proposal was approved by the faculty. Pellicciario believes offering incompletes was, "a very gentele solution to the strike."

On May 10, 1970, a memorial service was held for the students killed at Kent State. The EC voted to endorse the student proposal to cancel Spring Term classes. The next day, 96.5% of the students voted on the proposal. 80.7% of them voted in favor of canceling classes. The faculty did not approve the proposal and instead implemented their plan to allow incompletes.

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Vandalism attempted in Washington Hall

By ANNE E. ALVORD
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Early Tuesday morning, an attempt at vandalism was made in Washington Hall. Around 3:00 a.m., a custodian came in to the building and heard an unidentified number of people, who were apparently scared away by the custodian's arrival.

Soon after, three cans of paint, a mop, which was cut off, apparently for use as a brush, and a sign reading "We don't give a s*** about US News and World Report." The sign was signed "The Student Jihad".

Director of Security Mike Young reports that the vandals appeared to be trying to gain access to the roof of the building.

In response to the vandalism attempt, Young says "We're doing our best to make sure they don't get in [to Washington Hall]."



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Professor of Classics Mario Pellicciario makes a point during Wednesday's discussion of student protest during the Vietnam era.

Time Exec is gloomy about foreign reporting

By DAN ODENWALD
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In a lecture entitled "The Highs and Lows of International Reporting," Time Executive Editor Richard L. Duncan focused on the lows in today's foreign correspondence.

Duncan spoke Wednesday evening to the Washington and Lee community to inaugurate the Edward Jackson International Reporting Fund. This fund was established by 1945 W&L graduate R. Edward Jackson. It is designed to assist students who wish to experience foreign reporting.

Duncan was largely pessimistic about foreign reporting, citing the steady decline of coverage when the Cold War ended.

Americans are less interested in foreign news because they are preoccupied with their own internal problems, said Duncan.

Money also contributed to the current lack of quality foreign reporting. Networks have downsized when faced with shrinking budgets. Foreign bureaus across the world have closed due to insufficient funds.

Duncan believes that without any significant foreign threat to U.S. security, Americans have become less concerned with foreign affairs. The Communists no longer pose a serious problem.

While Duncan flatly admitted that he was unsure of the future of foreign reporting, he subscribes to a "Field of Dreams" theory on foreign correspondence.

"If you write it, they will read it," Duncan said. Furthermore, there were always be a readership for foreign news because policymakers and legislators need to know what is happening outside of America's borders.

Duncan said the coverage was essential and we could not live without it.

Duncan was hired by Time in 1965 and became Executive Editor in 1990.

His career in foreign coverage was distinguished.

"I got into [international reporting] to expand my life because the process was exciting," said Duncan. "We were performing a useful function in the world."

He concluded his lecture with advice for aspiring foreign journalists. "Just go and do it," Duncan said. "You're helping humanity to connect."

1970 W&L Vietnam protest remembered

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Richardson, Lawrence, and Hinely said that students were very upset at this breach of student autonomy. Lawrence remembers that students felt "a sense of betrayal" when the faculty disregarded the proposal that had been approved by such a large margin of students. All of the panelists said they believed the potential existed for violence, but W&L remained peaceful. Constant open communication and respect for the ideas of others were what kept the angry students from erupting into violence. Hinely recalls having a lot of conversations with friends in which they tried to "make others aware of your feelings." Richardson said the bulk of the conversations about the protest and the war were, "people talking to each other." Lawrence thought the reason for the gentility and non-violent nature of the protest was that W&L was, "basically a community of people who cared about

each other."

The panelists all consider May of 1970 to be one of the most important times of their lives. Lawrence said the protest was a time of "personal awak-

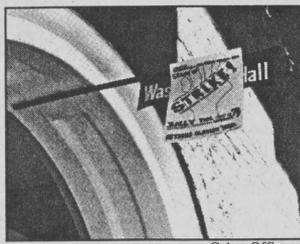
ening" for him. Hinely agreed and stated that it was an exciting time that he will always remember. Twenty years later, Hinely is surprised at the legacy of the Vietnam protests, saying, "And now Richard Nixon is on a stamp?" The effect of the protest on Henry Sloss was probably the greatest. He had been teaching at W&L for only three years when Gingold asked him if

he would speak out against the war. He agreed and joked that, "I was probably the closest thing to an establishment figure that [Gingold] could get." When Sloss came up for tenure, he was refused and fired. He says that he "has no regrets" and that he acted on principle.

The broad issues debated in the protest of 1970 still affect modern W&L students. Students felt that their autonomy was being breached just as current students felt when the faculty approved Winter Rush and mandatory sophomore housing. Richardson has now found himself on both the student and

faculty end of this controversy. He said that he has "no problem with being in a different position" and believes that he is doing his job as a faculty member to "do what's in the best interests of the university." Pellicciario believes that the faculty should intervene only with what affects students "on working hours" and believes students should be allowed to make their own decisions afterwards.

Current W&L students do not have a reputation for student activism. Richardson does not feel that this reputation is entirely deserved. He points to involvement in Habitat for Humanity, Rockbridge County Big Brother/Sister programs, RARO coaching, and the February break trip to Nicaragua to build houses as evidence that students still have the remnants of the spirit of activism that was found at W&L in 1970. Richardson said that this involvement, "carries on in the tradition of these people here."



A protest sign hanging outside Washington Hall in 1971.

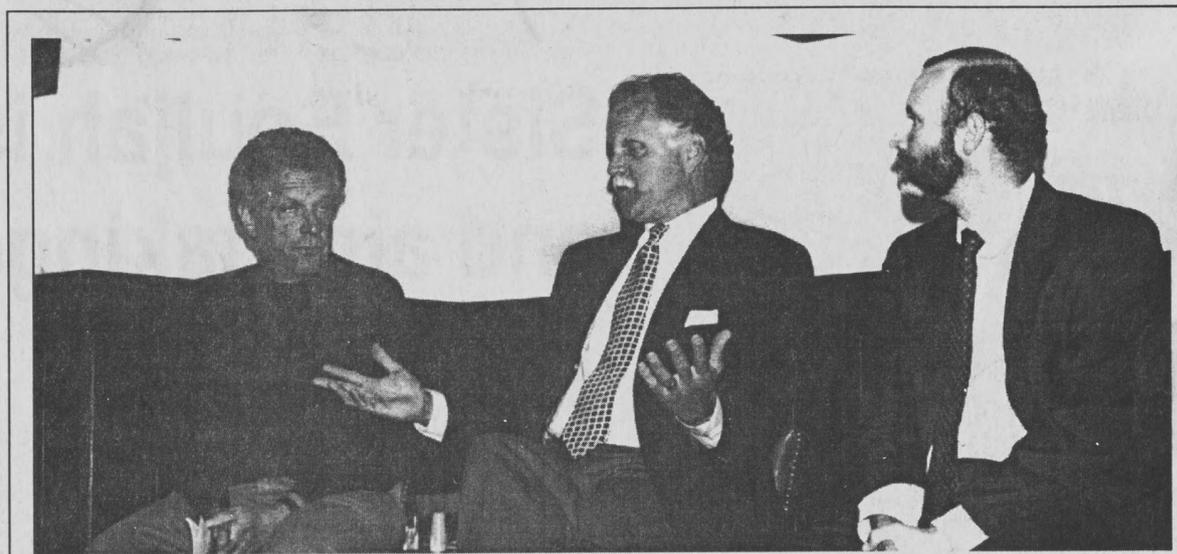


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Remember when?

Henry Sloss, Fran Lawrence, and Brian Richardson discuss their experiences in student protest.

Obituary

On May 1, Mrs. Anne S. Zeigler, a long-time secretary to Deans of the Commerce School, passed away after a long illness.

Zeigler had been with Washington and Lee since April 1970. She was well known to many students, especially those of the C-School. A compassionate, cheerful person, she had been most helpful to the faculty, staff, and students over the years.

The funeral service was conducted on May 4, followed by burial in Stonewall Jackson Cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter, granddaughter, and her mother.

Honor System placed in historical perspective

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peared from Lexington within 24 hours."

During the course of years, there have been a number of procedural changes to the system, mostly dealing with the rights of the accused. For example, the amount of time that a student has to prepare for a closed hearing has jumped from 3 hours to 48.

The bounds of the system have also changed. Before 1974, any breach of conduct by a student, no matter where it occurred was considered within the jurisdiction of the EC. This has

changed to include only the region around W&L and when the student is recognizable as a W&L student.

The first White Book was issued in 1968. Recently, a series of revisions has been implemented based on a three year system.

For the most part, however, the system has remained largely uncodified. According to Sanders, "Thus the system has changed in detail and has shifted and swayed in matters of procedure, while still clinging to the basic tenet that men and women of honor don't lie, cheat or steal."

Also, Sanders remarked as to the foundation of the system in general.

"I think two things that hold the Honor System together are 1) trust in elected leaders, and 2) a huge amount of trust between the students and faculty members," said Sanders.

This year, the large number of honor related incidents has brought this trust into doubt by many.

However, outgoing EC vice-president Alex says that the EC is "just doing its job," and that it is the students who are reporting the violations.

When asked what could be causing the increased number of reported violations, Cross did not have a definite answer.

"We were saying to ourselves, 'What the hell is going on here?'" said Cross in reference to a stretch where the EC heard four cases in two weeks.

Cross added, "In all honesty, there were some really great people that got kicked out. It's a tough decision to sit down and kick someone out."

Because of the frequency of incidents during winter term, many came to question the

attitude and motives of the EC. The Committee has made a concerted effort to respond to some of the complaints by submitting letters to both *The Ring-tum Phi* and *The Trident*. These can also be read outside the EC office on the notice board.

"More than any other year, the EC has tried to tackle the problem [of a negative image]," said Cross. Finally Cross added that the system is by no means a closed one. "If people have questions, every Monday meeting is open. We are willing to listen to suggestions and comments," said Cross. "We're not closed-minded — we're pretty openminded people."

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Recycling at W&L Students look to the future



By CELESTE RASMUSSEN
Phi Staff Writer

In a school whose motto translates to "not unmindful of the future," a recycling program would seem to be a logical endeavor. Unfortunately, there are only limited recycling opportunities on the W&L campus. This may soon change, for over the past few years campus-wide recycling has gained increased support amongst students and faculty alike.

The recycling question was first addressed by members of the Outing Club about four years ago when white paper recycling was started on the Hill.

Due to the success of this program, the Outing Club, in conjunction with the Freshman Leadership Council, has instituted a petition calling for an expansion of the program currently on campus. Freshmen Kate Giese, Ramey Harris, Bjornen duPont, and Jenny Williams have been particularly active in the spread of the petition, as well as Outing Club advisor Kirk Follo. The petition calls for an expansion in "the recycling program to include items such as glass, plastic, and newspaper," as well as increased "accessibility of recycling locations for the university community."

According to Kate Giese, the petition currently has around 750 signatures on it. Organizers hope to get at

least 1000 signatures before they write a cover letter and present it to president-elect Elrod for consideration. So far, most of the signatures have been collected outside of the Co-op and in the Dining Hall; however, they soon hope to reach people that do not frequent these areas.

W&L has had recycling programs in the past, but they have not had much success. According to Ramey Harris, one program where students collected the recyclables failed because of the time burdens involved. Furthermore, fire codes in the dorms prohibit bins from being placed in the hallways. The supporters of the petition hope that B&G would run the program, but this brings up logistical questions such as

the cost of buying bins and potentially hiring a new employee.

However, according to Harris, once the initial planning is completed, "recycling is not hard to do." She suggests that drums could be placed in the Co-op, dorms, and D-Hall for the collection of plastic, aluminum, and other recyclables. Another suggestion, as stated in a preliminary report by the Outing Club, is to start a recycling center near Gaines or Doremus. Such a center would be accessible both to students who live off campus and those who drive to school.

The report also states that there are many steps that could be taken in the interim to help cut down on waste, such as the elimination of styrofoam cups

and bowls on campus dining facilities and the switch, by the individual academic departments, to recycled Xerox paper. There is also a recycling center maintained by Rockbridge Regional Solid Waste Management in town. However, since it is located behind Kroger Grocery Store, it is not accessible to students who don't have access to a car.

Many groups of students, such as fraternity houses and Gaines residents, have also started their own recycling programs. For students interested in recycling tips, the Outing Club and the Office of Residence life has published a pamphlet with several useful tips.

As Kate Giese notes, the absence of a recycling program puts W&L behind

other schools. She was "shocked" when she visited campus and saw no recycling effort. She says that "every other college has one and this is an embarrassment to W&L." Students seem to be united behind the establishment of a program, though.

As Follo states, "This is not a battle between conservative and liberal students." Because of this enthusiastic student response and the increased faculty interest, it is probable that a program will at least be looked into.

However, as the Outing Club members remind us, the fight is far from over. They encourage students to sign the petition and attend their meetings if interested in helping to expand recycling opportunities on campus.

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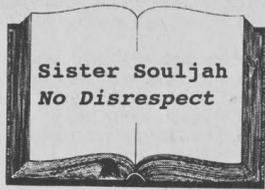
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Sister Souljah is in your face and ain't taking No Disrespect



By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Associate Editor

Sister Souljah has made a name for herself as an ABF (angry black female). President Clinton catapulted her name into public infamy when he criticized her remarks during the Los Angeles riots. She said if blacks killed blacks all year, then why not have a week to kill white people, but Clinton took her statement out of context. Apparently, she was simply expressing the sentiment of some of the rioters. Some political analysts argued that Clinton used his criticism of Souljah as a strategy to keep his white supporters. In 1992, her rap album, *360 Degrees of Power*, and video, "Slavery's Back in Effect," plus her many appearances on talk shows placed her "no b.s." voice of black rage in the American spotlight. Now readers can figure why she is so angry by picking up her first book, *No Disrespect*.

And no disrespect does she mean as she takes her readers into a no-holds barred view of her life and her thoughts right from the beginning:

"I never said I was an angel. Nor am I innocent or holy like the Virgin Mary. What I am is natural and serious and as sensitive as an open nerve on an ice cube." Divided into chapters named after people who have influenced her life, she starts with her life in the Bronx in New York. Her father, once a hard-working man with a grand heart, suffers from epilepsy and loses his job and his will to live. Her mother, trying to raise her children on her own, has men coming in and out of Souljah's eyes as she grows up. Unemployed men litter the streets and make babies without taking any responsibility while welfare makes fools out of its recipients.

Souljah reads voraciously and makes it to Rutgers University in New Jersey. As she awakens politically, she also awakens emotionally and sexually.

Reading books opens her up to her black history and culture. At the same time, she enters into a serious relationship with a senior political science and history major. Throughout the novel she gets involved with other men, including a married man and a drug dealer. While she's at it, she befriends a lesbian and a woman who has a knack of juggling two to three men at a time (like the woman in Spike Lee's *She's Got to Have It*).

Did I like this book? Yes. Did I agree with everything in it? No. I just couldn't put it down. She comes to you straight and uncensored. Her honesty stuck me. She exposes parts of her life that are often embarrassing. I argued with her. Sometimes I wanted to applaud her courage and other times I wanted to scream at her stupidity. She has the idea that black women should openly share their men because of the shortage of black men. Mmmm. I don't think so. It sure as hell doesn't make any sense to me. But other things spoke to me; her rage spoke to me; her intellect spoke to me; her rapid-fire thoughts spoke to me. Souljah made me

think about things that are uncomfortable, things that are real, things that don't put a smile on your face but a little tear in your eye.

More importantly, her story never bored me. It made me angry; it made me sad; it made me laugh; it did all of these things. At times, I thought she was too militant and too narrow-minded and sometimes infuriating. I certainly got sick and tired of passages like this:

"He looked into my eyes and I could feel how much he liked me and how attracted he was. His eyes lowered from my eyes and he swept by my breasts, my newly achieved firm waistline, and landed on my mother-of-the-world hips...She knew she couldn't fight the African body and after I was sure Nathan had seen it all, I sat down."

In almost every chapter, she devotes a paragraph or two to how drooling-to-the-ground beautiful she is. I'm not saying she's ugly, but she is definitely not all that. Souljah has too big an ego. I have no problem with self-confidence, but Souljah comes off as arrogant. And it's her arrogance that sometimes weakens the book.

But I knew where she stood and where she was coming from. Whether you agree with her or not, she serves notice on what she thinks on relationships, politics and race. Above all, she writes what she means and what she thinks with malice to no one and no disrespect.

No Disrespect

Sister Souljah



Sister Souljah fires back honesty and candor in *No Disrespect*.

MURIEL'S WEDDING A PERFECT DATE MOVIE



By KIRK SUSONG
Phi Movie Reviewer

Muriel's Wedding—☆☆☆
The typical date movie is long on fluff and short on substance. Movie-makers seem afraid that serious issues would ruin the light-hearted romance their movies promise to deliver. Luckily, the makers of this film decided to go against that tradition, and so *Muriel's Wedding* is a charming yet bittersweet movie—perfect for a date.

Muriel Heslop is a chubby, unpopular girl from a dysfunctional family. She is unable to hold a job, has never had a boyfriend, her father constantly insults her, and she has no prospects.

Then she meets an old friend who, though also not from the "in" crowd, nevertheless loves life and enjoys herself thoroughly. This new friendship slowly changes Muriel's life, giving her self-esteem and weaning her from the need for acceptance through marriage, a goal which had always dominated her dreams.

The first thing you are likely to notice about this film is that, as I was told, it looks like a Mentos commercial. People seem a little too perky, the clothes are pre-grunge, and the English is accented. However, it gradually becomes apparent that Muriel's life really does suck—one look at her disgusting siblings convinces one of that.

So the obscure cast, known mostly through other Australian features like *Strictly Ballroom*, is given a tough job of balancing our disgust, pity and sympathy for the various characters. Toni Collette, who plays Muriel, does this admirably, mostly through the light giggles and bubbly laughter which will suddenly possess her chubby body.

The emotional catalyst throughout the film is Rhonda

(Rachel Griffiths), the old acquaintance whose joie de vivre inspires Muriel. The power Griffiths gives her character, especially after she becomes afflicted with cancer, is moving, yet never over-played.

The supporting cast does a similarly good job, especially Muriel's father (Bill Hunter). As the adulterous small-town councilman whose local boosterism covers his political failure, he gives a profound performance. Especially moving is the scene where he reveals, subtly and barely, that he has always suffered from the same self-esteem problems that now afflict Muriel.

P.J. Hogan is responsible for both the writing and directing, and he does both beautifully. The direction is admirably light-handed, and the screenplay is a testimony to letting the actors do their thing, without interference from troublesome plot twists or unnecessary and overly dramatic soliloquies.

What I found most amazing about the film was how easily it swung me from one emotion to the next. The actors and the script together are marvelous at keeping all the battling thoughts in line: one moment we reviled by Muriel or her family, the next we are laughing with her or crying for her. These mood swings never seem artificial or too quick—just part of the intense, roller-coaster ride of Muriel's personal life.

To top off everything else good about this film, the movie is full of references to and songs by Abba, the seventies Swedish supergroup (to paraphrase something Muriel says to convince us of her new-found success: "I used to listen to Abba all day. Now I don't have to listen to Abba at all. Now my life is as good as an Abba song!"). Be forewarned—if you see this movie, you will want to own an Abba record; I hope Wayne is stocking up.

Muriel's Wedding is a bittersweet film which provides both laughs and tears. The acting is superior, yet homely, the script is bare and elegant, and the soundtrack is totally groovy. This is a sort of small film which might not appear in dollar theaters, so go see it now while it's still on the big screen.

Rating Scale

☆☆☆☆—Go by this as soon as it comes out on video. It is an instant classic. "You'll laugh; you'll cry; and maybe, just maybe, you'll learn something about yourself."

☆☆☆—Go see this film now, while it's still on the big screen. It's worth a few Oscar nominations and the seven bucks you'll pay if you see it outside Lexington. Overall, "Better than Cats!"

☆☆—Okay, so there have been better films. Nevertheless, it is a good example of its genre, and you should probably see it on videotape. Still, probably "Better than Cats!"

☆—It happens to be on HBO, and you're blowing off tomorrow's reading. Although your time would probably be better spent on your education, its free and you're bored, so go ahead and watch it.

0—Even if its free and your best friend said he never laughed harder, trust me, this one sucks. Don't waste your time, or at least don't waste it on this. (There's always MTV.)

Lexington Coffee Roasting Company offers atmosphere and exotic choices

By **BETSY GREEN**
Phi Staff Writer

Coffee is one of the finest pleasures in life. It's not just a drink; it's an experience. There's nothing quite like the smell of freshly roasted coffee beans, the feel of the warm mug in your hands, and the exhilaration of great conversation over a hot cup of joe. Thankfully, Washington and Lee students have a new place to go for great coffee in a relaxed atmosphere.

The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company has a new location that offers the same great coffee in a larger, more comfortable setting.

The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company moved from its old location at 22 West Washington Street to just up the street at 9 West Washington Street.

Owner Melissa Scholl said that the change was mainly to increase space. "We need more space to increase seating, to create a bigger workspace for us, and to consolidate out retail and wholesale roasting businesses in one building," said Scholl.

Scholl asked her customers what they would like to see in a new store. The unanimous response was a desire

to keep the same "quiet, intimate setting," but with more room.

The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company achieved this goal. Dark hardwood floors, soft lighting, and comfortably-sized tables seem to welcome customers to spend some time reading or talking to friends while they sip their coffee.

The store usually plays relaxing classical music, with occasional jazz and big band music.

Atmosphere will only do so much for a coffeehouse. Great coffee is key, and the Lexington Coffee Roasting Company has it. Beans are roasted daily for a freshness that's apparent in every cup. Scholl says the most popular blend is the Blue Ridge Blend. This brew is a full-bodied, traditional breakfast coffee that Scholl calls a "real crowd pleaser."

Also popular is the General's Blend, named in honor of Washington and Lee. General's Blend has a deep, intense flavor, but is still very smooth. If flavored coffee is what you want, Southern Pecan is an excellent choice.

The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company also offers a variety of specialty espresso drinks, such as cappuccino, lattes, and mochas. These drinks can also be served iced, a popu-

lar choice during warmer weather. If you don't care for coffee, delicious Italian sodas can be made with many different flavors of syrup.

The most unique drink available at the Lexington Coffee Roasting Company is the Follocino. If you need caffeine, the Follocino is the drink for you. A double shot of espresso is topped with just a tad of foamed milk. According to the menu board, a small Follocino is available, but anything larger is "Not advised."

The Follocino is named after Professor Kirk Follo, who Scholl says comes to the store most afternoons for his daily dose.

The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company also sells a variety of coffee-related products. Burr grinders, French press coffee makers, Italian syrups, all kinds of coffee beans, and different coffee cups allow customers to reproduce the same great coffee at home.

Most people who know me know that I love coffee. My standards are high, and the Lexington Roasting Company exceeds them. The setting is comfortable and the coffee is excellent. So, the next time you need an afternoon break, walk past the Co-op and head to the Lexington Coffee Roasting Company. You'll be glad you did.



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The Lexington Coffee Roasting Company offers delicious coffee to W&L students.

REMEMBER

Class of 1965
WHEN

By **COURTNEY E. MILLER**
Phi Features Editor

Thirty years ago, theatre productions were performed in the Troubadour, students could make honor roll with a mere 2.5 G.P.A., and Verne Canfield began his coaching career. The class of 1965 will be just one of the class reunions held this weekend.

Alumni Weekend brings back memories of the way things used to be, and those good ole days, when the only girls at W&L were visitors from the local girls schools, and the biggest debate on campus dealt with the assimilation of African Americans into the campus.

The class of 1965 had great musical taste, bringing to the campus musical legends like James Brown and The Famous Flames. For the first time, tuxedos were not required for Openings. Headlining Openings were the Shirelles, and first year that tuxedos were not required for Openings.

For Fancy Dress, students could rent 'Showboat' costumes for \$8, and their dates were strongly encouraged to wear floor length formals. It was held in late January, and featured The Lettermen Joe and Eddie as well as the "Old Glen Miller Orchestra."

The production of 'Merchant of Venice' was performed by the theater department in observance of the four hundredth anniversary of William Shakespeares birth. Sigman Phi Epsilon won the revived Interfraternity Council's Songfest with "Shenadnoah" and a rousing yet humorous rendition of "Salvation Army."

Verne Canfield, coaching legend ended his last season coaching the Generals this year. In 1965 he had just started his heavy recruitment for W&L. The students had to attend Saturday classes after the concerts of Chuck Berry, Dionne Warwick and Mary Wells for Springs Weekend. Their dates however had bus transportation to and from the local girls schools.

The class of 1965 graduated 265 men on June 4 on the front lawn of the campus.

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Friendly Advice

I was the beneficiary of a dubious honor this Spring Term. Due to an unfortunate incident a couple of months ago (which most of you read about in the parody issue) I was sentenced, er... invited, to attend Rockbridge County's Alcohol Safety Action Program. The instructor was one of Lexington's finest. Originally, I viewed this course as a monumental inconvenience for the class was held on Thursday nights, otherwise known as Phi hell night.

Following the first class, however, I realized the class might not be that awful. After all, it was entertaining, engaging, and informative. We discussed our arrests which was amusing for many. We watched movies on drinking and driving (you know, the ones they showed you before prom to scare you into sober driving). We even practiced the tests administered to those who are pulled over for D.U.I. Needless to say, we all passed with flying colors.

Despite all the informative discussion on alcohol and its effects, the subject which had the most impact on me was the tips for surviving Alumni Weekend. Our instructor in blue was seriously interested in forewarning us about the police presence in Lexington this weekend lest we repeat our mistakes. Since my journalistic instincts die hard, I rushed back to the office to provide you with the same helpful hints that were bestowed on me. Read closely:

1. Do not drink and drive. While this seems so simple it's stupid, you'll be shocked how many people will be arrested for D.U.I. If you are under 21, beware. The legal limit is so low that you could be arrested for swallowing cough syrup.

2. Don't walk alone if you are drunk. Trust me on this one, I have some experience with it. Our instructor said the L.P.D. will not tolerate it. If you are arrested, plan to spend the night in jail which ranks on the Top 10 Things I Least Wish To Do Again.

3. Don't carry beer cans around town. Besides being a generally bad idea, it is illegal for minors. Legal drinkers should note that it is unlawful to consume alcohol in public. Make sure the beer cans are sealed. Also, pour drinks in cups to avoid carrying around cans. This greatly reduces your chances of arrest.

4. Drink responsibly. The key to life (and Alumni Weekend) is moderation. This is especially true of alcohol consumption. Please watch our distinguished alumni for they have returned to Lexington to re-live their glory days. As my instructor pointed out, "You'll see 60-year-olds acting like they are 18 again."

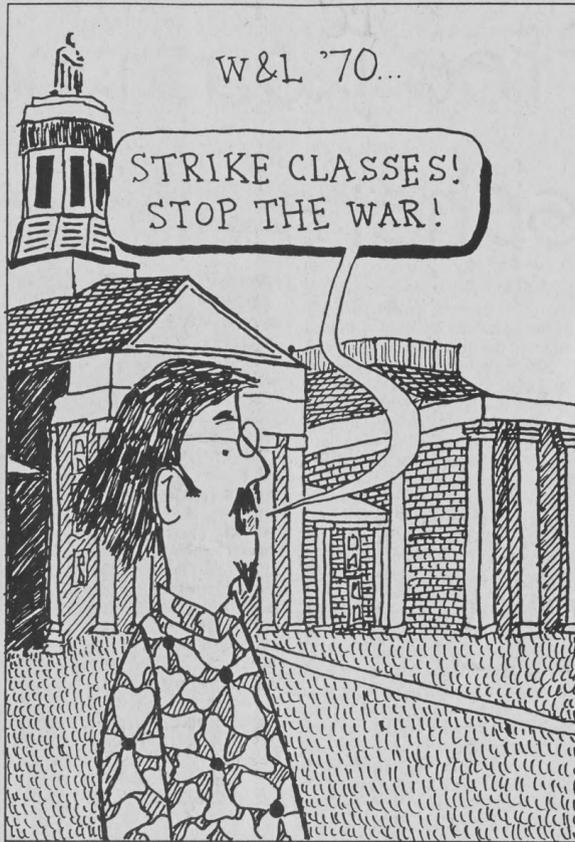
I hope these tips will be useful to all those who intend to celebrate W&L's alumni this weekend.

Have fun, but be careful. While the Alcohol Safety Action Program was painless, I wouldn't like to see you enroll for overzealous partying.

Quote of the Week...

"There have always been women at Washington and Lee."

An alumnus describes the limited impact of co-education on W&L life



Political principle: DOA in the Senate?



JOSHUA HESLINGA, '98

Last week, the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee held nomination hearings for Tennessee abortionist Henry Foster, Bill Clinton's nominee to be the next surgeon general of the United States. Since his nomination, controversy has raged over Foster's history of performing abortions and forced sterilizations of retarded women in the 1960s.

Revealingly, most debate and proffered opposition has centered on the question of Foster's credibility, due to the differing numbers of abortions that he and the White House have said he performed. The widely differing accounts have led several senators to vocally oppose the nomination of Dr. Foster.

Texas senator and presidential candidate Phil Gramm has vowed to filibuster Foster's nomination if it ever reaches the floor, saying, "This is a person who has trouble leveling, and there is one litmus test, and that is being honest."

Gramm's threat and a similar concern over conservative primary voters has led fellow 1996 Republican candidate Bob Dole to tentatively declare his opposition to Foster's nomination

and to consider whether to use his privilege as Senate Majority Leader to prevent Foster's nomination from ever reaching the Senate floor. (Lest you protest that he deserves a vote, 160 Reagan and Bush nominees died without one.)

Foster's supporters have responded by denouncing attempts to oppose Foster as a political

move to appease social conservatives. They have countered by saying that Foster has never done anything illegal, and that therefore, he should be confirmed (as if rejected Republican nominees Robert Bork or John Tower ever did anything illegal).

Somewhere in this debate over numbers, credibility, and legality, principle has been lost. The issue is not honesty. To be honest about committing the murder of unborn children and forcibly sterilizing retarded women does not make that behavior any more virtuous. The issue is not legality. Yes, the sterilizations were legal at the time, and yes, abortion is legal. So was slavery. So was the Holocaust in Germany. This nomina-

tion is all about abortion.

Many pro-choicers claim that government should not be involved in the abortion decision. If that is true, why confirm an abortionist to a tax-funded position of national moral health spokesman? Why did Clinton's failed health care plan require all employers, regardless of conscience, to pay for health services that included abortion?

Why did the Accreditation Council for Graduate and Medical Education recently rule to require all residency programs to train residents in abortion by 1996, despite the fact that a late 1994 survey revealed that 59 percent of the members of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists felt that abortion should not be required?

Why does the U.S. government give \$158 million annually to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, whose founder Margaret Sanger once wrote, "The most merciful thing a large family does to one of its infant members is to kill it?"

Why does the U.S. government give \$50 million annually to the UN Popula-

tion Fund, which is instrumental in supporting China's one-child forced-abortion policies, when two respected English-language Hong Kong publications have now reported that Chinese medical centers routinely sell aborted fetuses for human consumption, believing that eating them is therapeutic?

The reporters on the story were even given a tube of ten aborted babies free of charge because they looked ill, along with recipes on how to prepare a good soup with the remains. (Virginia Representative Frank Wolf (R) is now calling for a complete investigation of these atrocities.)

More than 32 million babies have been aborted since 1973 in America alone, the largest human genocide in history. Those that believe the Foster nomination is all about credibility would do well to reflect on where humanity is headed, especially in view of the reports from China.

At the Nuremberg war crimes trials after World War II, medical consultant Dr. Leo Alexander offered the following analysis of the origins of the Nazi medical atrocities: "The beginnings at first were merely a subtle shift in emphasis in the basic attitude of the physicians. It started with the acceptance of the attitude, basic in the euthanasia movement, that there is such a thing as a life not worthy to be lived."

That acceptance must never take hold in the United States. It is time to stand up to abortion on principle, not political expediency. Dr. Foster must not be confirmed.

The issue is not honesty. To be honest about committing the murder of unborn children and forcibly sterilizing retarded women does not make that behavior any more virtuous.

Alumni Weekend on six keggers per day

Spos' SPACE

Tom Hespos, '94

It's been almost a year since Spos' Space last appeared in this newspaper. About this time last year, Spos was tying up the loose ends of Operation Graduation (e.g. greasing the appropriate palms, mailing the last of the plain brown envelopes to the Registrar's Office secretaries, etc.). This was hard work.

After all, I had to make sure everyone on the Hill was happy so that the cardboard tube would actually contain a sheepskin on June 2, and at the same time, ensure that there was ample time to tube the river Maury and enjoy the fruits of Alumni Weekend.

As a freshman in a fraternity back in May of 1991, I remember being told what to expect from this particular series of events. My fraternity big brother summed it up as a weekend to both fear and over which to rejoice.

"There are going to be alums coming back that are going to feed you more liquor than you've ever consumed on any one night in your life," he explained. "You're going to have an absolute ball—if you don't die."

This sounded kinda cool, but I remember telling everyone that I wanted to actually go to one or two weekend lectures on the Hill. They groaned.

No one actually goes to any of that crap," they told me. "The alums are going to come into town and go directly to The Palms, and they're going to drink until they can't see anymore."

It was soon after that I learned to put myself into the shoes of the younger alumni, who were returning to Lexington after being in the "real world" for perhaps only two or three years.

Would these young folks remember Washington and Lee University as the place where the greatest of academic minds came together to provide the greatest intellectual environment one can find?

Hell, no!

They would remember W&L as the place where they knocked out all of their front teeth during a night of chasing imaginary pink spiders after drinking 12 "Inspired Insanities" at Spanky's.

These people were coming to Lexington to have fun.

My first Alumni Weekend was a blast. I remember starting off the night by playing drinking foosball with some of my pledge brothers and some of the younger alumni, who had been drinking at various bars and cocktail parties since about 11:30 that morning.

We had to chug another beer for every five goals the other team scored on us.

Things got a little blurry after that, but I do remember hollering, "Praise Sweet Briar!!!" at the top of my lungs while sliding across the kitchen floor, which the alumni had conveniently flooded with a two-inch deep mixture of beer, water and soap suds.

"Beer-sliding" died a quick death with the advent of Fraternity Renaissance, unfortunately. (Or so I think—if anyone knows of a place where this tradition continues onward, please have me paged.)

And then there was the Alumni Weekend when we piled about 27 alums in the back of the Sposbeetle, the Volkswagen which I still own and which will hopefully get me back to New York without exploding on I-81. The car was never quite the same after that incident.

And I'll never forget the traditional flagpole-swinging.

Nothing can beat swinging on the Post Office flagpole at four in the morning after partying with old friends for hours on end.

Even when an unfortunate alumnus would lose his grip and end up screaming for help from inside a bush in which he was trapped, it was still fun. (Granted, probably a federal offense, but still fun.)

Now, I am ready to enjoy my first Alumni Weekend as an alumnus of Washington and Lee.

I've been working at a high-pressure advertising agency on Madison Avenue since October, working weekends digging ditches in the Hamptons and writing weekly columns for a small newspaper on Long Island.

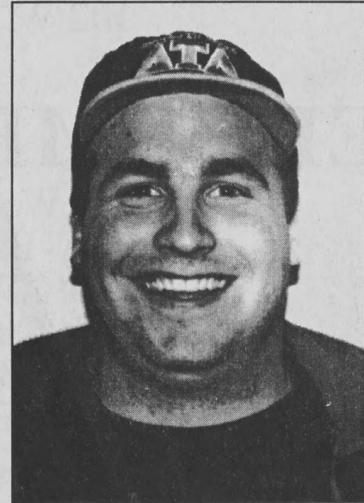
In short, I've been busy. And I'm looking to relax for awhile in the laid-back Southern atmosphere which I've come to enjoy so much.

My situation is not unique—I've heard several people comment that they "can't wait to get back to Lexington" after working week after week at inane jobs they can't stand.

So please don't blame the younger alumni for the offenses they will probably commit this weekend.

Remember, y'all attend W&L eight months out of the year. I think you can spare a weekend in order to let the alums relive their glory days.

And if you happen to notice someone trapped in a bush this weekend, please be a good citizen and lend a hand.



Tom Hespos, Phi guru.

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OPINION

Cable Two line-up needs more...pizzazz

GREEN LAND

Betsy Green

We all know that there are a lot of ways to waste time, but few are as foolproof as watching TV. I always find myself thinking things like, "Before I start to work on the midterm that's worth 50 percent of my grade, I want to check real quick what's on MTV." Six hours later, I'm thinking, "Okay if the next video isn't any good, then I swear I'll do my work."

In recent years, W&L Cable Two has been working hard for all of us, providing more and more programming to keep us from furthering our education. If it weren't for Chris Albert and *The Dating Game*, we'd probably all be okay with the higher standards for Dean's List. Still, with so many hours without broadcasting, there is still a chance we could start to use our time productively. With that in mind, I'd like to make some suggestions for new programming on Cable Two.

Everyone loves game shows like *The Dating Game*, so why not have more of them? Let's face it—as fun as *The Dating Game* might be, it doesn't paint a realistic picture of life at W&L as we know it. The solution is obvious: *The Hook-up Game*. Contestants will meet in a dark room with loud music and a few cases of cheap beer. Under the watchful cameras of Cable Two, we will let nature do her thing. *The Hook-up Game* will be similar to its predecessor in that the contestants will ask each other questions, but on this show, the music will be too loud for anyone to hear the

answers. Example:
Bachelorette Number One: So, where are you from?
Bachelorette Number Three: WHAT? Bachelorette Number One: I SAID, "WHERE ARE YOU FROM?"
Bachelorette Number Two: TAURUS.
Bachelor Number One: OH, REALLY? MY ROOMMATE'S FROM HOUSTON.

Tyson Hilton suggested that at the end of the show, there could be a segment like in *The Love Connection* during which the people who hooked up on the previous show could come back and tell the audience how their hook-up went.

Bachelor Number One: Well, she was kinda cool, but she had bad breath.

Host: Well, if you'd like to hook up with her again, we'll pay for it.

The possibilities are endless. Another great game show would be *The Drinking Game*. Contestants will play a different drinking game every week. For games like, "I've Never" (the official drinking game of *The Ring-tum Phi*), the home audience could call in with suggestions like, "I've never read about my arrest for being drunk in public in *The Trident*."

The Drinking Game could begin a

new line of Cable Two merchandise tie-ins. Since this show screams out, "Play along!" an at-home version of *The Drinking Game* could be sold at the W&L Bookstore. It would include a case of Natural Light and a handbook, all for only \$59.95. Charge it home!

Real life drama is always popular. It's such a natural to put some random people together and film *The Real*

World: Lexington. The set-up would be simple. Pick seven of the most obnoxious people on the planet (like Tom Hespos, whom I feel obligated to mock since this is the Alumni Weekend issue), especially those who have nothing in common. Put them in an apartment full of tapestries, Elvis lamps, and other funky decorating items. Watch them fight and discuss their angst.

W&L angst is not exactly on a par with the angst of the rest of the world, but that could be part of the fun. Normal people angst: I can't find a job, my relationship is way too complicated, and I'm afraid that my newest body piercing will get infected. W&L angst: I hope I can find a date to FD.

Cable Two's hard-working staff should strive to find the newest trends in television and rip them off. That

ideal is the heart and soul of the show *L-E-X-I-N-G-T-O-N Blue*.

Look out Jimmy Smits! You have some new competition with R.D. Clark. This police drama's trendy new jerky camera shots will focus on the cops during their tensest moments—chalking car tires and ticketing wayward dogs. Episodes may feature partial nudity. Parental discretion is advised.

There's no reason Cable Two shouldn't be educational. The station could provide a great service to the W&L community with a cooking show such as *Sarah Gilbert's Cooking with Alcohol*.

Sarah will charm us all with her booze-soaked food, including her famous Lemon Rum Cake. The show will be even better as Sarah begins to sample her concoctions. She'll eventually turn a cute shade of pink and tell everyone personal things about herself.

We can't leave out the importance of sports coverage in the Cable Two broadcast day. A show like *Battle of the Freshman Friends* will showcase the fading talents of the many recovering high school athletes at Washington and Lee.

For example, upperclassmen could suggest to their freshman friends that they fetch them drinks. The smarter freshman would swipe the drink from the other freshman. Other events in *The Battle of the Freshman Friends* could include the Stop-In Run, the Clean-Up-A-Thon, and the Car Wash Rally.

All events would, of course, be optional. The possibilities are endless.

GENERAL NOTES

Calyx

Students interested in free '91-'92 and '94 copies of the *Calyx* may pick them up outside the *Calyx* office in the University Center.

College Republicans

The College Republicans will meet Sunday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Rm. 133 of the University Center.

Editors

Ariel, *Political Review*, and *Journal of Science* are looking for editors. Applications are due Tuesday, May 16 at 6 p.m. in the *Calyx* mailbox. Interviews will be held May 18 at 6 p.m. in the *Calyx* office.

Film Society

The Washington and Lee Film Society will conclude the 1994-95 season with the documentary *Hoop Dreams* (USA, 1994) in English at 8:05 p.m. in the Troubadour Cinema Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13. The mounted posters still remaining which have been on display in the lobby of the Troubadour will also be sold for \$10, \$20 and \$30.

Outing Club

The new Outing Club schedule will feature climbing Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. Students should call Betsy Treadway at 463-4761. Kayaking will be Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the old pool. Those interested should call Kevin Batteh at 464-8837. Canoeing will be Tuesdays 3-6 p.m. Those interested should contact Gordon Dalton at 462-4739 or Jack Bauer at 464-3126. The equipment room hours (for tents, sleeping bags, stoves, packs, etc.) are Mondays from 2-4 p.m. and Thursdays from 3-5 p.m., or call Kim Stoner at 462-4075.

Women Alumnae

A reception for women alumnae and women undergraduates will be held Saturday, May 13 at 4 p.m. in the Alumni House. It is sponsored by Women's Forum, Women in Leadership and Panhellenic. All are welcome to a panel discussion where women alumnae and women undergraduates will discuss the Washington and Lee experience and its impact on life after college.

Face Book

Student organizations interested in advertising in the *Freshman Face Book* should contact Emily Giannini at 462-4941 for more information.

LETTERS

Thanks to loyal lacrosse fans for support

To the editor:

On behalf of the men's lacrosse team and our coaching staff, I would like to thank the students of Wash-

ington and Lee for their support throughout this past season and especially for the strong showing Saturday at the Lee-Jackson Classic.

It was very impressive to be able to

look across the field and see the visitor stands at VMI filled with W&L lacrosse fans.

Your enthusiasm and excitement has not been overlooked and was a

great boost to our players and program on Saturday.

Jim Stagnitta
Head Men's Lacrosse Coach

Susong review of Rob Roy off-target

To the editor:

After reading Kirk Susong's review of *Rob Roy* in the May 5 edition of *The Ring-tum Phi*, we can only conclude that Kirk Susong's qualifications as a film critic are questionable. His analysis of *Rob Roy* unfairly attacked the finer points of this film and apparently missed its point.

First, Liam Neeson's and Jessica Lange's performances left nothing to be desired. Liam Neeson's portrayal of

the main character was highly appropriate; Rob Roy was an ordinary man who rose to become a hero in extraordinary circumstances. The "humanity about him" is exactly what makes Neeson's character believable as a folk legend. A folk legend is not a superhero; he represents the common man.

Furthermore, to label Jessica Lange as a "disappointment" is preposterous. Her strength and so-called "stubbornness" depict the dignity of a great woman. Her rendition of this character

is inspiring, especially in a time when few such roles are available for women.

Regarding Susong's criticism of the use of historical accuracy, one can only shudder to think of the sort of "glossy" film he would have produced, had he been behind the camera.

The historical accuracy serves to provide realism and to reinforce particular aspects of some of the characters. For example, the chamber-pot scene successfully shows Cunningham to be truly vile. In addition, we cannot

imagine Robert Roy as a crisply pressed, perfectly coiffed, manicured Fabio.

Mr. Susong's reviews are generally negative in tone (and tend to reveal the entire plot, spoiling the movie for those who have not yet seen it); sometimes the films are deserving of such criticism. However, in this case, he is totally off-base.

Liz Detter, '98
Marisa Frost, '98

Correction

There was an error in the May 5 issue of *The Ring-tum Phi*. Roger Mudd graduated from Washington and Lee University in 1950.

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What do you want to be when you grow up?



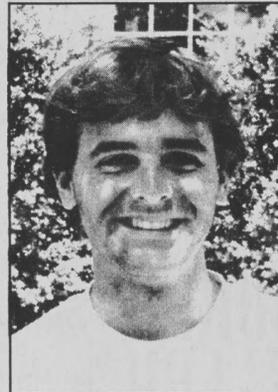
Ainsley Fisher, '96, Richmond, VA—"I just hope I grow up!"



Aaron Michalove, '98, Winston-Salem, NC—"I want to be a love slave."



Erin Harrison, '97, Dallas, TX and Lamandra Jenkins, '97, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL—"Can't we just stay the same? We are grown up!"



Daniel Felton, '95, Marianne, AR—"Lama's husband—for all you socially inept people, that's Mr. Lamandra Jenkins."



Bunny Wong, '97, Rio Rancho, NM—"Taller."

OPINION

25 years ago in *The Phi*: 'Two views of Seven Days' aftermath'

Editor's Note: 25 years ago, Washington and Lee's students staged a mass protest on the front lawn with the aim of having Spring Term classes cancelled so that students could attend Vietnam War protests at the University of Virginia and at other locations. The EC passed an anti-war resolution, and the students voted in a resolution that classes should be cancelled and graded on a pass-fail basis based upon work completed. Finally, a faculty compromise allowed students who wished to leave do so and to make up their classwork the following year. The following articles are reprinted from the May 13, 1970 editorial page of *The Ring-tum Phi*.

By Dave Olson

"This has been a tremendous affirmation of the potential of the W&L student body. There is hope." Fran Lawrence stated the case beautifully.

We have seen in the past few days an extraordinary series of acts on the part of the student body. What they have done is, to this writer, amazing. We have come out of our noted apathy and worked. We have worked hard to do something together, and we did.

It took Kent State to do it, but we did take action. If we, as a student body, can keep this kind of action going, we can advance by leaps and bounds next year. The only problem is that these advances are contingent on the acceptance of them by the faculty and the administration.

What the faculty failed to realize in their perfunctory, though sincere consideration of the student proposal is that they no longer are required to look after our well-being. We are here to learn, not to be administered to. "I think if we had pass-fail, then everyone would go to Virginia Beach" was a statement heard from more than one member of the faculty.

It astounds me that these faculty members could so miss the point of the student resolution. It was not an attempt at getting out the easy way. It was an attempt to achieve the freedom that is necessary to do what we have to do.

The reason the student resolution got turned down is unclear, but these are some likely choices. One, the faculty could have a great great lack of perception, but that is unlikely.

They could feel that if they had done something like institute pass-fail, no one would show up for their classes. I do not think the faculty is that sensitive. I think they turned it down because of outside pressure and certain things they realized about the position of W&L.

Certainly much of our money comes from rather conservative

sources, and these sources would be displeased (to say the least) if this school had shut down, or if 80 percent of the student body left which they probably would have done if a pass-fail option had been instituted. Can we blame the faculty? I think not. For many of the faculty, W&L is their whole life, their *raison d'etre*.

They would not want to take a step that would endanger the life of this university and subsequently their jobs. It is a very real and a very human consideration, but I wonder if, at this juncture in the school year, if pass-fail (which really was the desire of the students) would have made that great a difference.

I don't think it would have, and many schools (Brown and Yale included) have pass-fail for everything. Would it have made that much difference if W&L had done it for one semester?

The faculty seems to feel so because it would look bad to graduate schools.

The faculty still clings to the idea that they have to protect us from the onerous possibility. It is a manifestation of the idea of *in loco parentis*, and even more so, the generation gap.

The difference is that the faculty feels that they have to retain a certain semblance of hierarchy and administrative security while the students feel that W&L has to make a forthright statement to the nation about our condemnation of the war. To the faculty the former is most important, while to the students the latter is imperative.

I think the difference may well stem from an expanded moral conscience on the part of our generation. This is not to criticize the faculty, but they are products of their times, as we are. The problem is that these are our times, times of expanded moral consciences.

Sooner or later Richard Nixon will realize this, or at least I hope they will. The interval between now and the time the older generation realizes

our values and aims could be very troublesome. I hope we, this University, this nation and this planet can survive.

By Reeve Kelsey

The crisis continues, but today one hopes that the worst is over. What



Calyx File

Student protesters march on the Colonnade in opposition to the Vietnam War during the "Seven Days" of 1970.

happened and what does it mean? One has observed a generally activist student body and a flexible response on the part of the faculty.

The initial faculty action showed an understanding on the part of the faculty of the need to combine the desires of the concerned students with the academic integrity of the University.

The faculty action with its Monday night amendments allows those students who feel intellectual pursuits are no longer germane to the problems they face to leave the University community and make up their work at a later time. The faculty action also reaffirmed the basic purpose of the University—to teach and to be a home for intellectual activities in all disciplines.

The student resolution, itself, was a poorly worded document offering something for everyone.

We feel that a resolution of this nature must stand independent of outside interpretations. The student proponents cannot invoke the plea of Humpty Dumpty when he said, "When I use a word it means just what I choose it to mean—neither more nor less."

There was not something in the resolution that appealed to all students, even the 254 who explicitly rejected the proposal. The resolution did contain two regrettable phrases, "closing Washington and Lee" and "Declare all classes canceled." If the proponents of the resolution did not really want classes canceled, why were these two phrases left in the proposal?

The second major objection to the plan was that there was no guarantee that classes would continue as scheduled. A professor would not have been obligated to continue classes.

There are many other problems involved in ending the semester on May 6. Is it really ethically justifiable to give a student a "B" for four-fifths of the work of last year's "B" student? How does a professor really give a grade if the only work to be turned in for the course was the final exam? What does this mean for the future?

W&L's student body is now activist—the days of apathy are at last truly dead and buried. It is the job of student leadership to channel this activism into positive results. Results that complement the goals of the University.

The long run implications of the student action are of such significance that they cannot be overlooked. Is the abandoning of a structured curriculum a decision that should be made under the immediate stress of an outside issue?

There is much to be said for an unstructured curriculum with the student doing what he desires. Next year's short term is an effort to positively face this issue.

Furthermore the faculty's present resolution has serious ramifications. Can any student at any time for any reason withdraw and receive an "I" grade? The implications of the student resolution are even more severe.

Does a student have the right to leave classes at any time for a reasonable cause and receive a "P" for the work that he misses? Again these are all legitimate questions, but ones that should not be resolved in the fast moment of the events of last week.

Yesterday's assembly seemed to focus directly on who should wield the power in a university. We have long argued that the faculty should not act *in loco parentis* and we will continue to.

However, we feel that the faculty or the administration should have ultimate jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the curriculum. The students should not have the final, ultimate jurisdiction over what courses are to be offered, how the curriculum should be structured or what professors should be hired.

There should be student representation in these decisions, and there has been increasing student participation in these areas.

There now exists a tremendous force for action in the student body. Let us hope that it is used to the benefit of the entire University community.

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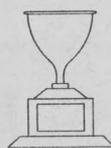
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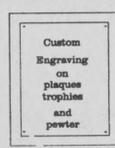
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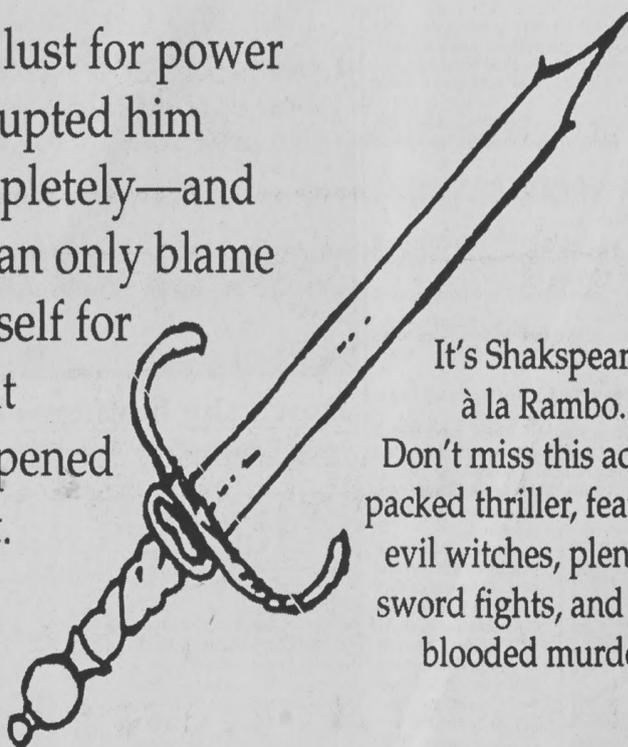


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WTENNIS - W, 8-1, vs. Skidmore (Div. III)
 W, 6-3, vs. Amherst
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BASEBALL, GOLF, TENNIS, TRACK, LACROSSE

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Hangin' around

THE BIG FAN

BY SCOTT BOOKWALTER

Michael Jordan helped lose a basketball game for the Bulls last Sunday.

That's hard enough to believe. However, Jordan has appeared quite mortal since coming out of retirement. Michael's shooting percentage has been hovering around 40%, and his turnover amount has risen.

Surely, he is allowed to have a lousy game every so often. It is entirely possible that he needs a full season to refine his shooting and ball-handling. Still, Michael scores 25 points per game, and he has led the revived Bulls into the 2nd round of the playoffs.

However, will Jordan ever be able to approach his pre-retirement numbers? I doubt it. For one thing, age is a factor. But is it even possible for him to average 35 points and lead his team to three straight championships?

One has to wonder why Jordan returned. Michael was on top of his game in 1993, the best in sports. Why risk losing that honor? There have been several cases of stars coming out of retirement or hanging around past their primes.

In baseball, a contrast of examples is 1994 Hall of Fame inductee Steve Carlton, and the 1995 enshrinee, Mike Schmidt. Both were members of the dominant Phillies teams of the late '70s and early '80s.

Carlton was one of the premier lefties for fifteen years, but by 1985, he was clearly running out of gas. Instead of acknowledging that he was not the pitcher he used to be, Lefty decided to stick around.

The Phillies released him, and Carlton bounced around the majors in obscurity before finally retiring in 1988. His last few seasons served no other purpose than to dim the memory of his dominance.

Schmidt, on the other hand, knew when to exit. Mike smashed more than 30 home runs in 1987, but his numbers plunged in 1988. Deciding that he was no longer instilling fear in opposing pitchers, Schmidt retired in May 1989. In the process, he spared his fans from witnessing several more .230 seasons.

Magic Johnson comes to mind in basketball. Magic, the catalyst for the "Showtime" Lakers in the eighties, retired in 1992 after acquiring the HIV virus. He had given everything during his career, and with this disease, he should have been relaxing.

However, Magic then returned to LA, first as a player, then as coach. Now, he is insisting on playing in the 1996 Olympics. Magic has little left to prove. Why can't he give it up?

Players have various reasons for lingering around. Some feel they still have something left to prove. Others simply enjoy playing. The money isn't bad, either.

What happened to personal honor? When one is on top of his profession, there is nowhere to go but down. Why not leave your fans with the impression that you gave it your all for as long as you could?

In no way am I implying that Jordan should retire for good. As much as Michael has done for basketball, no one should tell him when to leave. He is still a tremendous player, and was a huge factor in the Bulls' victory on Wednesday night. Besides, without him, the Bulls would degenerate into a traveling Luc Longley sideshow.

However, when his skills clearly begin to fade, Jordan should depart. Nobody wants to say, "He used to be great, but..."

Lax uses late charge to storm past Keydets in Classic

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
Phi Sports Editor

Chalk up another one for Washington and Lee.

Last Saturday, in front of a boisterous crowd of 3,100 at Virginia Military Institute's Alumni Memorial Field, W&L streaked past VMI by a count of 11-8 in the eighth annual Lee-Jackson Lacrosse Classic. In the process, the Generals retained their Lexington city championship.

W&L used a seven-goal run midway through the second half to cruise to the win.

The victory was the Generals' seventh consecutive in the Classic against their neighboring Lexington rivals, the Keydets.

VMI's only win in the series came in the first game, a 15-9 triumph back in 1989.

W&L holds an 8-1 advantage in the all-time series against the Keydets, which began in 1986.

Besides the rivalry, the Generals' victory proved to be an important way to end the season. W&L entered the game mired in a slump, having dropped its previous three contests to fall to 8-5.

"We've been pretty inconsistent the last few weeks, and have been up and down with injuries," head coach Jim Stagnitta said. "Saturday, we proved to ourselves that we're a lot better than we've shown."

VMI caused plenty of concern for W&L this year, since it came in with a 9-4 record.

The Keydets did nothing to dispel that fear when Joe Brockman scored the game's first goal with 13:04 remaining in the first quarter.

W&L kept VMI's high-octane offense under control for the remainder of the half.

Junior midfielder Adam Butterworth, who finished with three goals and one assist, put the

Generals on the scoreboard for the first time four minutes later.

"I've really been impressed with Adam the last six weeks," Stagnitta commented. "He is a person who has stepped up his game and taken charge."

Goals by senior midfielder Ty Tydings and junior attackman Russell Croft elevated the Generals to a 3-1 advantage with 10:20 left in the first half.

It was a sign of bigger and better things to come from Croft, who would tack on three more goals to his total before the afternoon was over.

Thanks in large part to a goal and assist from Rob Worrell, VMI finished the half with a flurry, knotting the game at 4-4 by the end of the half.

The Keydets began the second half as hot as they ended the first half.

Three straight goals, including two within a period of thir-

teen seconds, pushed VMI out to a 7-4 lead early in the third quarter, and silenced the large W&L fan contingent.

Stagnitta and the Generals were not panicking yet, though.

"I wasn't concerned enough to call a timeout," the coach mentioned. "Earlier in the year we had come back from deficits. We were getting opportunities to convert, but weren't getting it done."

The early-season success seemed far away at this point, but the Generals were to enjoy a blast

from the past starting with 6:30 left in the third.

During the next seventeen

minutes of the half, the Generals

went on a rampage.

Beginning with an Andy Dutton goal and ending with an Ande Jenkins score, W&L fired off seven consecutive goals to take command at 11-7. Croft provided three of his scores during this span.

Senior attackman Dutton finished his final game in a Generals' uniform with two goals and one assist.

"It took the wind out of their sails after we tied it up," Stagnitta explained.

The stunned Keydets could only manage a meaningless goal with less than four minutes to play to provide the final margin for the game.

W&L scored 51 times in the fourth quarter during the season, its most of any period.

The game was reminiscent of the 1994 Lee-Jackson Classic.

In that contest the Generals also broke away from VMI late, scoring four consecutive times to break a 7-7 deadlock, and propel W&L to a 12-10 victory.

Despite winning nearly every statistical battle, VMI had a difficult time penetrating W&L goalie Scott Jackson.

Jackson received the starting nod for only the second time this season, but he appeared more than capable in front of the net.

The freshman faced nineteen shots, and recorded eleven saves on the afternoon.

Stagnitta was extremely pleased with the Generals' performance, especially during the late rally.

"I was happy with our level of intensity, and we showed a lot of character," he remarked. "Overall, it was a good day."

However, Stagnitta warned that one afternoon does not constitute a season.

"Our expectations were high this season, but we fell short of what we were capable of," he described. "We finally realized the potential we had all year (in the game)."

Junior Ande Jenkins finished the year as the Generals' top scorer with 31 goals and eight assists for a total of 39 points.

Croft came in second on the team with 38 points.

Senior Scott Mackley netted 25 goals, and Butterworth scored 24 times.

Tydings ended as the team leader in assists with 22.

Sophomore Doug Gubner stopped 123 shots on the season for a .577 save percentage.

W&L completed the 1995 campaign with a 9-5 mark, (5-1 in the ODAC), an identical overall log as the 1994 squad. The men closed with a number-ten ranking in Division III.

Last season, the Generals finished with a #11 mark.

The Generals have now rung up a streak of a different kind: six straight seasons of at least nine victories each year.

W&L has not been missing from the USILA Division III lacrosse rankings since the 1990 season, the same year the victory string began, and the year Stagnitta took over the reins.

Stagnitta hopes the run will continue in 1996.

"We'll have some key players returning and a good incoming freshman class," he commented. "Our expectations will be high again next year."

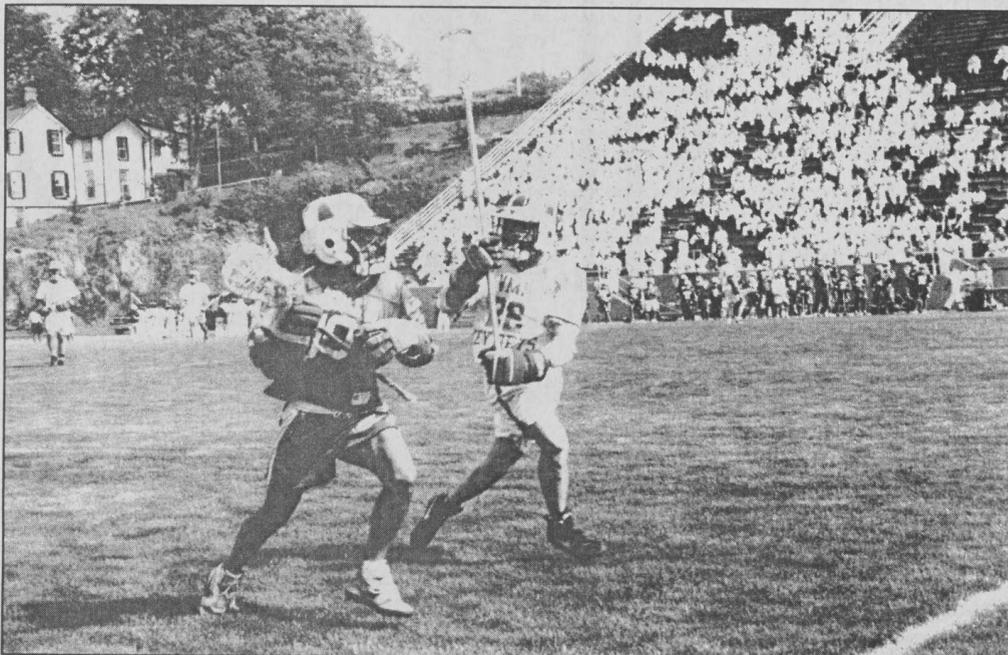


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Senior Scott Mackley (10) returned from a two-game absence due to injury to spark the Generals on a seven-goal spree in the second half, and an 11-8 triumph over the VMI Keydets. W&L finishes at 9-5.

Tennis falls to Kenyon in semifinals

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Consolation matches are not easy to get excited about, especially after being one singles match away from playing for the national championship.

The W&L women's tennis team, though, must gear themselves up for Friday's third-place match at the NCAA Division III nationals at Sweet Briar College.

The Generals (20-2) were beaten, 5-4, by number-one seed Kenyon College in Thursday's semifinal match. It was the second time this year the third-seeded Generals lost to Kenyon by that same score.

If Kenyon goes on to win Friday's championship match, W&L would at least know that the national champs were only one flight better than the Generals, since Kenyon also won a previous 5-4 match in Lexington.

Kenyon will face the winner of the UC-San Diego vs. Trinity (TX) semifinal at 10:00 AM for the national title, while W&L takes on the losing team for third-place at the same time.

Results of the W&L match can be found by calling the W&L Sports Hotline at 463-8998.

The Generals got off to an impressive start Thursday, winning two of the three doubles matches.

The nationally third-ranked tandem of senior Marilyn Baker and freshman Natalia Garcia won an 8-6 battle, and the team of junior Julie Ayers and freshman Berry Blankenship won at third-doubles, 8-4.

This was a turnaround from the March 17 competition, when Kenyon won twice at doubles at the W&L Tennis Center before splitting at singles.

Yet, at Sweet Briar, Kenyon took four of six in singles for the win.

It all came down to the number-five singles match between W&L's Anna O'Connor and Kenyon's Renee Brown. O'Connor pulled the Generals within a set of victory with a 7-6, (7-1) first-set win.

Brown, though, rebounded to take the next two, 6-1, and 6-2.

Garcia (#2), and freshman Ericka Shapard (#4), each won their singles matches in straight sets. Shapard's win was her

29th of the year, breaking Baker's school record, which was set last year. Baker has currently won 28 this season and is three wins shy of 100 for her career.

However, Baker (#1), and Ayers (#3), were beaten a day after posting a pair of sensational wins in the quarterfinal on Wednesday.

Baker, the nation's sixth-ranked player, knocked off top-ranked Julie Rosenstein in straight sets, 7-5, 6-2, to lead W&L to a 6-3 win over Amherst College.

Amherst won twice at doubles to put a scare into the Generals. But W&L "worked it" at singles, according to one onlooker, taking five of six to advance to the semifinals.

Garcia and Shapard won brief and impressive 6-0, 6-0 matches, and junior Shelley Sunderman won at number-six, 6-2, 6-1. Shapard's win took barely 45 minutes to complete.

The match of the day, though, was at number-three. Ayers and Amherst's Ting Yu fought for over three hours before Ayers walked away with a marathon 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4 win.

That win guaranteed the team its best finish ever, topping last year's sixth-place performance at nationals.

On Tuesday, the Generals showed that they had shaken off the pain of last year's opening round loss to Williams College. W&L routed Skidmore, 8-1.

The Generals won all three doubles flights, and their only loss in singles was a three-set defeat for Ayers (6-2, 2-6, 6-4).

At number-one, Baker beat a longtime rival of hers, third-ranked Jamie Levine, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5). Baker had also beaten Levine in the third-place match at last fall's Rolex National Championships.

Consequently, the singles competition, which begins Saturday, is shaping up as very interesting.

During team competition, #6 Baker had beaten the top-ranked player and the number-three, but lost to #8 Ali St. Vincent of Kenyon. In their previous match this year, Baker beat St. Vincent, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1, in Lexington.

The rounds of 32 and 16 will be held Saturday morning at Sweet Briar, with the round of 16 doubles play following these.

Both championships are currently scheduled for Monday.

W&L will be represented by both Baker and seventeenth-ranked Garcia in singles. The 24-3 duo also will battle for the doubles title.



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Down the homestretch
Josephine Schaeffer will run in the 10,000 Friday.

All-stars named

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This past week, the Old Dominion Athletic Conference announced its all-conference teams for baseball and men's and women's lacrosse. Several Washington and Lee athletes earned the distinction of being selected for these teams.

Senior baseball player Bates Brown was named to the first team as a designated hitter. Brown batted an outstanding .364 and managed to tie the school record for runs-batted-in by driving home twenty-five.

Junior outfielder Graig Fantuzzi earned a spot on the second team because of his skill with the bat and speed on the base paths. Fantuzzi hit .326 and swiped 11 bases.

In men's lacrosse, junior attackman Ande Jenkins led the

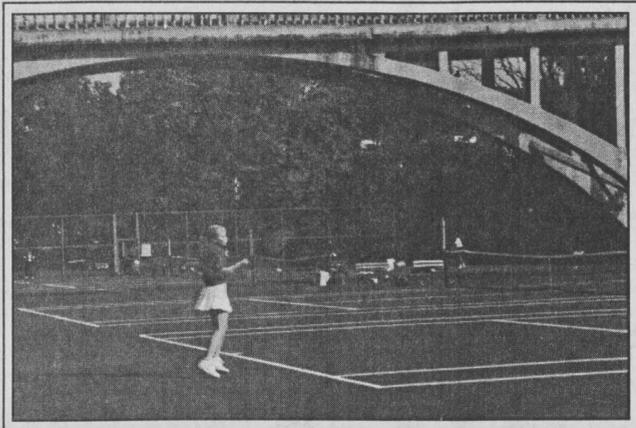
W&L squad with 39 points and secured his place on the ODAC first team. Senior defenseman Shaun McKenzie joined Jenkins on the first team.

The ODAC tri-champions also placed three players on the second team: senior attackman Andy Dutton, and senior Scott Mackley and junior Adam Butterworth, both midfielders.

The women's lacrosse team, also ODAC champions, had a number of players earn spots on the all-conference teams.

The three senior tri-captains, Lindsay Coleman, Carrie Niederer, and Nicole Ripken, were all named to the first team. Coleman and Ripken led the Generals with 112 goals apiece.

Sophomore goalkeeper Brooke Glenn was named to the second team after an excellent season in front of the net. She set the W&L single-season save record by stopping 208 shots.



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So close...
Julie Ayers played a key role during the Generals' 20-2 season, and their trip to the national semifinals this past week.