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FRIDAY: MOSTLY CLOUDY, MID 70s, CHANCE OF RAIN
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Study circle

As the first day of the fall rapidly approaches, students take advantage of the weather and the scenery studying outside of Lee Chapel.

EC questions Pub Board reserve fund

By DAN ODENWALD
Phi Executive Editor

The Executive Committee and the Publications Board called a last minute meeting to talk about a \$10,300 surplus in the Board's reserve fund. Concerned over the unusually large amount in the fund, the EC requested that Darcy Livingston, Acting Pub Board President, meet with the committee to discuss the surplus. The Pub Board consists of the editors-in-chief and business managers of The Ring-tum Phi, The Calyx, the Political Review, the Ariel, and the Journal of Science. A sixth campus journal, the Arete, was added Wednesday night during the Board's first meeting of the academic year. The mission of the Board is to act as sole publisher for all the publications and to appoint all editors. A minimum of \$3,000 is kept in a reserve fund to absorb possible end-of-year debts or unanticipated expenses of the publications. The surplus resulted from money raised last year by The Calyx. The yearbook ended the year with \$8,000 more than anticipated. Increased revenues from student picture fees, the patron drive, and advertising accounted for \$7,500. The Calyx also cut expenses by several hundred dollars. In early September, the E.C. examined the financial records of the Pub Board in preparation for the budget hearings. They immediately noticed

that the Pub Board had substantial funds, yet campus publications under the Pub Board did not reflect that surplus with lowered budget requests. Hence the question arose: How is that money being spent? "There was a concern on the part of the EC over what all that money was doing there," said Pub Board advisor Brian Richardson. Keith Benedict, EC President, was concerned that the Pub Board might squander the student activity fees. "We don't want to see the money go down a black hole," said Benedict. Additionally, he demanded more accountability for how the money will be spent. Livingston reminded the EC that it could send a non-voting member to Pub Board meetings to see first-hand how surplus funds were being allocated. He also denied concerns that the funds would be mismanaged. "All surplus funds go directly back into the publications. For example, we [The Calyx] want that money to buy new computers," said Livingston. EC member Amy Gorham suggested that the Pub Board provide a detailed account of how the reserve funds are spent to avoid further confusion. Benedict added that he wants to see the surplus spent on campus publications, but he advised Livingston to purchase only what is necessary. "We're comfortable with what you're doing, we just want to account for student money," concluded Benedict.

Tailgating moved to lacrosse field

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Associate Editor

Tomorrow's first Washington and Lee football game, the time-honored tradition of tailgating, or a party out of a truck, will be held inside the fenced Lacrosse practice field which is beside the freshmen parking lot. Director of Security Mike Young announced the new policy during Wednesday night's Interfraternity Council meeting. "Saturdays have become another reason to have a big party," Young said, "and we can't have that." IFC president Ryan Connolly said the fraternities will cooperate with the policy. However, he did have some

reservations. "I just won't be as much of an experience as it used to be," he said. "It used to be an all day Foxfield-like event." The university is concerned with any liability it might incur if an accident happened that caused injury to a student or damaged the school's property, he said. Associate Dean of Students for Greek Affairs Leroy Atkins agreed. "The real issue is that we cannot afford to have a three hour party with people drinking," he said. "We have a responsibility to this university to protect it. We have no choice." Young said W&L Security will start shutting down the tailgating parties at 1:30 p.m. Buildings and Grounds will provide tables and chairs, and Todd's

Barbecue in Buena Vista will provide food for the parties. He asked the fraternities who are having tailgating parties tomorrow to please cooperate. He said he hopes the policy will work out. These parties need to come under control, Young said. W&L Security has received reports from people complaining about property damage. "We're not trying to keep you from having a good time," he said. Atkins said he wants to keep the school from being liable for anything. "I'm not anxious to have money coming out of our endowment because we let students do something that is not healthy." Connolly said there might some good to come out of the new policy.

"I think people will cooperate," he said, "and hopefully, more people will cooperate. They destroy their feeble opponents." In other IFC news, Kappa Alpha fraternity will not have a big Tear Night party tomorrow. KA received a \$1500 fine and one week of social probation from the IFC for a rush violation. The fraternity was charged with having freshmen males at their fraternity house during closed contact last week. KA president J. Harrison Morrison refused to comment on the IFC's decision but did say the social probation, which started Wednesday, will seriously affect plans for Saturday's Tear Night.

Freshmen women meet leaders and voice opinions

By SARA MCCRONE
Phi Staff Writer

On a typical week-night during Rush, the freshmen men put on their khaki pants and navy blue jackets and head out to catch aride to fraternity houses while their dormmates a few floors up settle down to watch TV or do some homework. But last night was different for the freshmen women, who found that although they didn't have to get dressed up, they did have some place to go. About one hundred freshmen women filled the rain site in the University Center to near-capacity. Student leaders of the event's sponsors, Panhellenic, Women's Forum, and Women and Leadership, were pleased by the turnout and took the opportunity to welcome the freshmen to W&L and to invite them to participate in women's groups on campus. "We are glad that freshmen are voicing their opinions from the outset," Sakina Paige, Chairperson of Women's Forum, said. "Women's Forum addresses the concerns of all women on campus, and by having events like this, Women's Forum provides a place for them." Paige acknowledged that the social was also planned for a time in which freshmen women may have been feeling left out because of the prevalence of Rush functions for the men.

"Now freshmen women can also feel like they know upper-class women on campus and that they can walk up and say hello," she said. "This activity, as well as demonstrating that the women's groups are very united, serves to help form friendships among freshmen and upper-class women." The choral group Jubilee, comprised of upper-class students and two freshmen women, kicked off the series of events designed to generate camaraderie among the students. As the all-female group performed excellent renditions of Mamas and Papas songs and Go-Go's tunes, women of all ages listened and snacked on Creamsicles and Nutty Buddies. After the performance, a wide range of female student leaders, including SCC Chairperson Madeline White, Women and Leadership Chairperson Karly Jennings, and Panhellenic leader Suzanne Sharpe, encouraged the freshmen women to seek leadership positions. "Just get out there and do it," EC secretary Amy Gorham advised. "Freshman year is a good time to apply for positions and seek office." Gorham and the sophomore and junior class presidents advised freshmen women to attend a panel on seeking leadership positions that will be held in C-school on October 3 at 4:00. Jennings emphasized that Women and Leadership is not just for women who already hold leadership positions but also for those who want to develop leadership skills at W&L or out in the work force. "Sometimes groups get too fractioned or divided," Jennings noted. "This is one big group for everyone; we have members who are from the Christian right to the far left and everywhere in between. That's what we're hoping for." Panhellenic Chairperson Suzanne Sharpe commented that involvement in sororities also promotes leadership skills. "Being in a sorority is conducive to becoming a leader. Almost everyone in a sorority holds some leadership position," Sharpe said. The event seemed to be a big hit among the freshmen women, who went to watch the season premiere of *Friends* in the Women's Center on the third floor of Gaines Hall, which Paige stressed is open at any time to any woman on campus. Especially pleased with the activity were those women who had won prizes for speedily answering such survey questions as "What is the only predominantly female department?" (Arts) and "Which language is taught by all female instructors?" (Russian). "I think it's great because I won this T-shirt!" freshman Keri Dunphy exclaimed, proudly displaying her prize which read: "W&L Women: Quality Doesn't Have to Travel."

West-Settle joins administration

By RYAN BEAMAN
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Cecile West-Settle has been appointed Associate Dean of the College. The former Associate Dean, W. Lad Sessions, is currently serving as Dean of the College to fill the void left

by the ascent of John W. Elrod to President. West-Settle, a Romance Languages professor, began work under her new title on July 1 and will remain for the next three years, as Associate Dean of the College is a rotating position among the faculty. Although West-Settle has been exposed to the workings

of the university by serving on various committees, her new job itinerary holds a much broader list of activities, which includes matters concerning the automatic rule and readmission, chairing a committee comprised of eight faculty members dealing with Graduate Fellowships, and work on Release Scholarships which enable students to work with

faculty members during the summer. In addition, she has also assisted Dean of Freshmen and Residence Life Dennis G. Manning with resolving schedule conflicts and advising. West-Settle enjoys being more ingrained in the workings of the administrative aspect of the university and she maintains she still has a good

deal of contact with students. She is teaching one Spanish course in each of the Fall and Winter Terms, which provides a welcome change in her day. With her job still relatively new, West-Settle is unclear as to whether a career in administration might be appealing to her, but she appears enthusiastic about her role within the university.

More checkpoints keep Security busy

By ETHAN KRUPP
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee Security officers seem to be patrolling a lot of new areas this year, including individual fraternity houses. Mike Young, Director of Security, said the increased presence of officers is due to a new check point system. The Deister System, a computer driven checkpoint system, enabled W&L Security to increase the number of areas checked on each patrol from 30 to 200. Security officers currently check 62 points on campus. Young said some of these points include the fraternity houses. He stressed that the officers are not trying to spy on students or catch fraternities breaking the rules. The checkpoints were placed in each house because the school owns them and is interested in keeping them in good condition. Young also pointed out that the checkpoints are placed in areas in the house where Buildings and Grounds frequently inspects for maintenance reasons. This does not mean officers will ignore activities in the house. "If something draws [the officers'] attention, they'll check it out," Young said. The system operates on bar codes and a wand-like device that reads the bar

codes. The bar codes can be placed just about anywhere. Previously, the officers had to lug around a 14 pound clock that was advanced with keys placed around campus. The new device weighs less than a pound and is carried in a pouch worn on the officer's belt. Young said that the new system allowed a better accounting of what was checked and when it was inspected. He said after each shift, the scanning device is down-loaded onto a computer where the reports are stored. The reports for any patrol can be called up almost instantly. Each report shows the officer on patrol, the areas check, and what time they were checked. In addition to better accounting, the new system allows Security to respond to problem areas. Young said because of increasing thefts on the lower levels of the law school library, a new check point was added. The checkpoint insures that areas where problems have occurred will be patrolled. Another checkpoint was added on the lower levels of Leyburn Library after unwanted sexual advances were made towards several students last year. Officer Scott Rowe said he likes the new system more than the old one. He said the old system encouraged officers to hurry because the clock was so heavy and awkward. Every checkpoint is supposed to be checked twice a shift, according to Rowe. Young said the computer read-out of the patrols provides an opportunity to check the quality of work of the officers. Young said the system cost \$2800 to purchase and install, but is worth the money.

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BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

Popcorn mogul Orville Redenbacher dies at age 80

Orville Redenbacher, the well-known creator of Orville Redenbacher popcorn, was discovered dead in his bathtub on Tuesday. Police investigators report that the eighty-year-old public figure died of natural causes. Fans of Redenbacher's popcorn will be relieved to hear that his popcorn empire will continue under the guidance of his family.

Welfare reform legislation survives Senate scrutiny

Washington, D.C.—After months of revision, the Senate passed a sweeping welfare reform bill Tuesday by a majority of 87 to 12. Reforms passed in the Senate bill include a five-year limit on welfare benefits, a requirement that beneficiaries work while receiving welfare, a new system of block grants to states, and denial of benefits to legal immigrants.

The bill will now come before a House and Senate conference committee which will discuss compromises between the current bill and one passed by the House earlier this year. Debate will likely focus on such issues as the "family cap," which would deny or reduce benefits for women who had more children while on welfare, or variations of the cap, including increased grants to states which reduce illegitimate births.

Bosnian/Croatian forces to end assault on Serb holdings

Bosnia—Bosnian and Croatian forces agreed Tuesday to end their massive offensive against Serb holdings in western and central Bosnia, including Banja Luka, the town which is currently harboring 100,000 Serbian refugees. In the past week, their combined efforts have gained more territory for the Bosnian government than they have held since the beginning of the war with Bosnian Serbs over three years ago.

Officials halted the raid on Serbian strongholds in light of growing concerns that the assault would jeopardize the continuing peace talks with Serb forces and possibly incite military action. The war continues in other regions of Bosnia despite pressure from NATO to end warfare in the former Yugoslavia.

NFL facing identity crisis as Jerry Jones' case escalates

Atlanta, GA—In recent weeks the court battle over Jerry Jones' alleged violations of NFL advertising procedures has been escalating. While the Cowboys' owner and other members of the NFL remain optimistic that the conflict between Jones and NFL Properties will be resolved out of court, many, including Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, insist that if Jones wins his case the effects on the NFL will be disastrous.

The case, including a \$300 million lawsuit filed by NFL Properties against Jones, raises several central issues, such as sponsorship of stadiums and athletic products, competition with other leagues, and equal access to players. Tagliabue is convinced that these issues will not be resolved by the owners. Jones' alleged violations of NFL procedure and the resolution of the lawsuit against him will likely be the incentive for a close examination of the NFL's business relationships, as well as its licensing policies.

GOP WATCH

Parties clash over Medicaid and Medicare budget cuts

In recent weeks GOP activity foreshadowed the controversy over what will undoubtedly be one of the most complex issues of the 1996 campaign. Senate and House Republicans, as well as Republican governors, became embroiled in the battle over Medicare and Medicaid as the scheduled makeover of the national programs approaches.

Democrats promise that any of the planned Republican cuts and changes (such as caps on doctors' fees, incentives to join HMOs and increased premiums) in funding will leave thousands of children, elderly and disabled without the means to procure medical treatment or prescription drugs.

Republicans are also registering mixed opinions about the reductions in funding. While Republicans in Congress view the cuts as integral to their budget plans, GOP governors insist that the cuts must be reasonable in order for the states to withstand them. The Senate and House are also arguing the issue of whether or not the Medicaid program should be turned over to the states or should remain an entitlement. The issue promises to figure significantly not only in the Republican campaigns, but in the party battles as well.

Proposed foreign aid cuts to cause controversy

The GOP's proposed foreign aid cuts became the subject of controversy within the Republican Party last week. The cuts, which Democrats allege will preclude international communication to the point of isolating and endangering the United States, have also been criticized by Republican Appropriation Committee Chairman Mark Hatfield. While a proposed House and Senate compromise bill would bring about less drastic cuts, Hatfield remains concerned about the effects of the cuts on the State Department and the United States Information Agency.

The budget cuts have received the support of Senator Phil Gramm, Senator Robert Dole, and Senator Richard G. Lugar, all candidates for the GOP nomination. However, the proposed cuts are a continued cause for concern among those who had hoped for less stringent attacks from the GOP leaders on foreign affairs budgets.

Beyond the Blue Ridge and GOP Watch are
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W&L leads its students to the Information Superhighway

By ALEX CHRISTENSEN
Phi staff writer

"The Information Superhighway"—the high-tech future of information in a global age, or just another media-generated catch-phrase designed to make anybody without an e-mail address feel hopelessly behind the times? It is probably a bit of each. Students at W&L can find out for themselves through Liberty, the University's computer network, and related services provided by Campus Computing.

W&L's Internet access and other services are certainly not the most technologically advanced in any sense, but they do provide users with basic connections and fairly comprehensive features to enable them to communicate around the world, conduct research and share data, participate in conversations grandiose and trivial without borders and become familiar with the cutting edge of multi-media and programming. Certainly, most schools, and even businesses, would be thrilled to wake up and find that they had been equipped with the computing capabilities available to W&L's students, faculty, and staff.

Of course, gaining access to all of these resources is not as simple as turning on a computer, but W&L Computing has made the process fairly straightforward. W&L students and others affiliated with the University may purchase computers through programs run by Apple and Dell at Student Computer Purchase in the computing center on the first floor of Tucker Hall. The programs allow the purchase of up to one desktop computer, one notebook computer, and one printer per year at substantial discounts (the limits are designed to avoid competing with computer retailers).

After a computer has been purchased, or brought from home, students may purchase a packet consisting of a disk and a cable which will connect their computer to the campus system, Liberty, via phone lines installed in all University housing. Students living off-campus can connect to Liberty via their own phone lines using a modem.

Most students are already familiar with e-mail. E-mail allows users to send information to any other computer user in the world with a valid e-mail address. Letters, programs, images, etc., may be sent via e-mail. Students frequently communicate through e-mail with friends at other colleges, friends they have made previously through online services such as America OnLine or CompuServe, parents or other family, or participate in mailing lists on certain topics, ranging from the basics of computer use to religious discussions to favorite television programs.

All students, whether they know it or not, have e-mail addresses which can be accessed through Liberty on personal computers or in any of the computer labs on campus, or the library. Passwords and account names were sent to students over the summer from the Telecommunications Office.

Pub Board to add new publication

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

The Publications Board voted Wednesday to add a new publication to the five already under its wing.

Bill Rust, editor of the Political Review, requested that the Board include the *Arete*, an annual journal now in its first year.

The *Arete* will complement the Leyburn Society's Speaker Program, which last year held discussions on local and international issues ranging from Winter Rush to Chechnya.

The journal will include student, professor and guest essays, interviews, student reactions and critiques.

The Pub Board agreed to fund 50 percent of the *Arete*'s first year operating budget, or \$400.

"We thought the journal would complete what we're trying to do with the Leyburn Society," said Billy Poynter, editor of the *Arete* (the Athenian word for excellence).

The Leyburn Society is named after Dr. James G. Leyburn who said in his 1979 address at the Omicron Delta Kappa assembly that "many Washington and Lee students so soon begin to specialize that they miss the riches of

this University's superb curriculum."

The Leyburn Society attempts to provide students with the opportunity to explore areas not discussed in class.

President John Elrod agreed to be the Society's first speaker of the year. Rust and Poynter also hope to persuade author John Grisham to speak.

RUSH FINALE:

Tear Night bands

Carbon Leaf--Beta
The Electric Company--Chi Psi
Impulse Ride--KA
The Press--Kappa Sig
Delusions of Grandeur--Lambda Chi
Agents of Good Roots--Phi Delt
The Hatters--Phi Psi
The Ernies--PiKA
Licking Toads--Pi Phi
Uncle Mingo--SAE
Marty Barnwell & Woodstick--Sigma Chi
Six Million Dollar Band--Sigma Nu
Fighting Gravity--Sig Ep

Cable 2 boasts new shows, new equipment

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

Cable 2, Washington and Lee's local-access television station, starts its fall programming with new shows and new equipment.

The equipment cost about \$36,000 and includes three cameras, tripods, and a new switcher. Engineers came in over the summer and rewired the studio.

The journalism department received the money after the administration approved a plan submitted by department head Hampden Smith.

Cable 2 managers plan an expanded lineup for this year. Programming begins at 5:30 on the weekdays and runs till 10. Exact times for all shows have yet to be set, but Program Manager Callie James expects to set the times in the next few weeks.

The Dating Game and W&L Genes return to the lineup, which will also feature new shows.

The Roommate Game, James said, is patterned after The Newlywed Game and is designed to let roommates discover more about each other.

Today's Issues, which follows a roundtable discussion format, will feature discussions on student media, the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership at Mary Baldwin College and student internships.

The station this year subscribes to the Burly Bear Network, a show aimed at college students. The show includes a recurring cooking segment called Half-Baked and a music segment.

"On the first show, they follow the Samples around," said James. "So it's good music, no M.C. Hammer or anything like that."

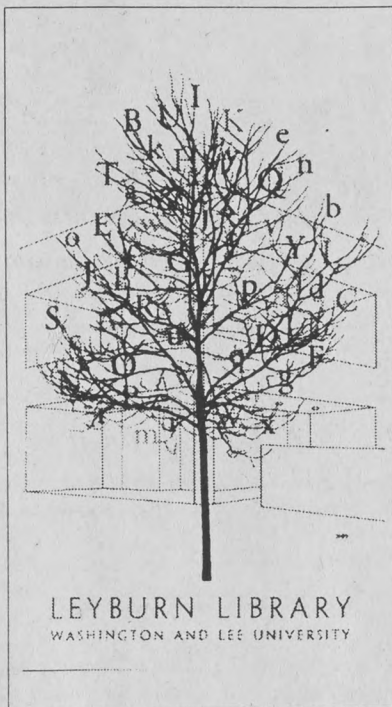
With the expanded line-up, director Lucy Barnett hopes to attract a wider variety of students to work for Cable 2.

"Freshmen can't take journalism classes yet," she said. "This is the first opportunity for them to get involved with broadcasting. And we want people to know it's not just for journalism majors."

HIDY BRINGS PALETTE OF INFINITE POSSIBILITIES TO CAMPUS

By CINDIE YOUNG
Phi Features Editor

On the role of graphic art within today's culture, visiting artist Lance Hidy declares that it affects "the way we think of ourselves, see ourselves, and see the world."
Himself an accomplished figure in the world of graphic art, Hidy shared own insight last Tuesday evening on the process by which an idea can become so powerful a form of expression on paper.
Before an audience brimming over the seats of duPont Hall onto the carpet and into the door frames, Lance Hidy reflected upon the origins and course of his own artistic career, opening his lecture with a salute to a resource available to every college student, the school library.
"What a difference the college resources made to me," Hidy exclaimed, "and to students at W&L as well!"
As an undergraduate student at Yale, Hidy whiled away many hours hunting through stacks of old books and illustrated manuscripts.
His hours there proved of value, and Hidy, who had always considered himself more a fine artist than any other type, found in these books an introduction to a world he has



THE
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never left since, that of graphic art.
Appreciative of the visual effect alone of the elaborate illustrations he found, Hidy gained from his searches an appreciation also for the history and tradition of graphic art.
"Renaissance art," Hidy reminded his audience, "was basically commercial." Da Vinci, Raphael and nearly all the other masters of their day worked under commissions, whether for private patrons or public religious institutions.
Graphic art, then, has held a role in modern civilization over a span of many years, and has evolved into an "international language," in Hidy's words.
As a language of images, graphic art depends upon both the technique of the skilled craftsman, and the impulse of the fine artist. Hidy, a man in whom both technique and impulse meet, describes the result as "an exploration of surprises," a constant discovery of new images.
Lance Hidy is a pioneer in the world of graphic design, in the truest sense of the word, and is now involved in exploring graphic art at the outermost boundaries that technology allows.
The computer has become for Hidy both paintbrush and canvas, and with the roll of a mouse he enjoys "an infinite palette of possibilities."
On his cherished Macintosh, Hidy is able to work freely with an image, experimenting with its color, size, shape and

texture. He is satisfied only when he has found "the inner nature of each medium, the Zen."
Wondering at the freedom with which creativity can flow from person to machine, Hidy remarked, "If you can think of it, you can do it," adding in the next breath, "You can even do things you can't think of."
Hidy closed his lecture with a demonstration of his creative process, projecting on the wall the images that appear on his computer screen as he creates a work of art.
Hidy has been an active presence on the W&L campus throughout the past week, attending classes, participating workshops, and holding brown bag lunch discussions and public lectures; he is, however, no stranger to Lexington.
Hidy visited the town several years ago when commissioned to design a poster for W&L, and within the next few months he and his family will leave New England, to become permanent members of the Lexington community.
It is perhaps only fitting that the poster of internationally recognized graphic artist Lance Hidy hanging today on campus walls has as its subject the very building from which his own interest in graphic art sprang up, a college library.
An exhibition of the work of Lance Hidy is on display in duPont Gallery through October 16, and additional posters and books of the artist may also be viewed in Leyburn Library.

Working for the community at Stonewall Jackson Hospital

By DARCEY LIVINGSTON
Phi Staff Writer

Carter flounders pathetically before an audience of millions. Scenes from an old presidential debate? No. A typical Thursday night episode of NBC's ER.
After the hour-long dose of intense emergency room drama, those students addicted to the series can flick off the T.V. and once again settle back into the routine of their own lives. For one group of W&L students and other community volunteers, however, the drama of the emergency room can be experienced first-hand.
These students work under a new arrangement between W&L and Lexington's Stonewall Jackson Hospital, some as volunteers and others as part of their work study

program.
Dr. Darcy Russell of the Biology Department has assisted in rounding up students to participate in the pro-

gram, along with Carol Elsnick, the volunteer coordinator, and on September 16 a training session was held for new and returning volunteers.
Junior Katherine Sawyer began working at Stonewall Jackson her sophomore year, as part of her work study program. Her experiences have ranged from the emergency room to the extended care facility, which deals with the elderly.
Sawyer now intends to become a physician assistant, and attributes her certainty about her future career choice to the "wonderful" experience her time at Stonewall Jackson has given her.
Sawyer fondly recalls working in the clinic of Doctor Zel, particularly when given opportunities of working with actual instruments and real patients, and remembers with relief that the doctors and nurses took the time to explain things; such helpfulness has made her tasks all the more valuable and interesting.
Like Hans Yao ('98), who wants to start working at Stonewall Jackson this fall, many of the students participating in the program profess to be pre-med.
As for the more squeamish student, meanwhile, who elects to enjoy the blood and gore vicariously, there's always ER.

...FOR SOME W&L STUDENTS, THE DRAMA OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM CAN BE EXPERIENCED FIRSTHAND....

CAMPUS PROFILE: PROFESSOR CLAUDIA ANDREWS REVEALS HER PARTIALTY TO CATS AND GOOD MEXICAN FOOD

Dr. Claudia E. Andrews

Title: Assistant Professor of English
Birthplace: Chatham, Virginia
Family: Jesse, her husband, and their six cats, three dogs, and chicken
Eating Habits: Vegetarian, especially Mexican, cuisine

By DARCEY LIVINGSTON
Phi Staff Writer

Prof. Claudia Emerson Andrews' favorite restaurant doesn't exist—at least not in town! She loves Mexican food, and says, "One of my great disappointments is that there isn't a Mexican restaurant in Lexington. Don't you think it would go?" Actually, I'm kind-of partial to Taco Bell....
With or without the restaurant, Prof. Andrews still likes the town, and adores her job teaching at W&L. The class she takes most seriously is her creative writing class, because it is so near her heart. Prof. Andrews stresses that above all else, she is a poet—a revelation she arrived at not so long ago. In fact, she probably would still be a rural letter carrier, running a bookstore on the side, if not for a certain conversation she had with her husband, Jesse.
"I came home one day and said, 'I think I really know what I am.' He said, 'Well, what is it?' and I said, 'I'm a poet. That's what I am. That's what I want to pursue.' He said, 'I'm just so glad you finally figured that out.' I feel like most people would have said, 'You're what? You better not quit

your job!' He could have responded in a lot of negative ways, but it was only after that that I went on to graduate school.
When she's not busy teaching, she likes to spend time writing poetry, or scribbling in her journal. "I would encourage everyone to keep a journal," says Andrews. "I've been keeping one on and off since I've been about twenty. But I've been writing very faithfully for about ten years. It's quite a good place to let off steam!" Prof. Andrews uses her journal to write about her daily activities, and to jot down ideas for her poetry.
A popular theme in her poetry is the elderly, and Prof. Andrews explains why. "My father had three old maid aunts, and we went to visit them every Sunday without fail. I have very vivid early memories of going to visit them and being made to kiss them and be nice to them—it was just awful! But, I write about them now. I remember them and I hope I didn't show my disgust at the time 'cause they were real sweet ladies."
However, Prof. Andrews did not always want to be a poet, or even a teacher for that matter. "The main thing I wanted to be for a long time was a country music singer. So, when I was in my teens, I started playing the guitar

and singing. That was my dream: to go to Nashville and be a country star. I wrote my own songs. Actually, when I was in college in Charlottesville, I played guitar and sang for money in bars."
Prof. Andrews also likes to spend time with her menagerie—six cats, three dogs, and a chicken named "Cluck" who visits her home on occasion. "Jesse always says that I'm a budding cat lady—you know, those weird women in cities who have shopping carts and a lot of cats," relates Andrews. "I hope it's not that bad, but I am a sucker for strays." Most of her pets indeed are strays; she rescued one of her cats from a nearby dumpster when it was just a kitten.
The one thing the professor does not like about herself is the fact that she's a negative thinker. "I worry that things are going to go wrong even when I don't have any reason to think they will. My husband accuses me of driving my car off the bridge before I get to the bridge! I have a very vivid imagination, and I can imagine disaster easily."
Prof. Andrews' vivid imagination also nurtures her students, who will continue to learn and grow through her teaching until her appointment ends next June.

The Prophecy: Biblical characters and a Scooby Doo script



The Prophecy - Two stars
Here is another film that has much promise but ultimately fails to deliver. The premise is rather interesting: what if the angels in heaven got really upset about God loving humans so much and decided to revolt? But the execution is muddled, confusing and generally shallow.
In many ways, this complete confusion is one of the most attractive parts of the film. Throughout the movie, we are constantly wondering what is going on and why: *Who is that guy? Why do they want to get their hands on this other man? What sort of amazing powers do angels have?* The filmmaker plays up that sense of mysticism and wonder that appeals to everyone.
The film unfortunately has little going for it besides the general aura surrounding the story's central idea. While director Gregory Widen (the screenwriter of *Backdraft*) wants to show spookiness and foreboding, the best he can do are sudden, sketchy flashback scenes and colored lights filmed through the haze of smoke. It's the sort of dry-ice-machine-inspired terror that Scooby Doo and Friends were constantly finding at the end of each show. I can just hear the angels crying out, "If it hadn't been for you meddling humans, our plan would've worked!"
What attracted me to the film in the first place was the cast. *Pulp Fiction* veterans Christopher Walken, Eric Stoltz and Amanda Plummer are all present, along with lesser actors like Virginia Madsen and Elias Koteas (best known for *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles* and its equally respectable sequel). The cast does as fine a job as possible, given the limits of the rest of the film. The screenplay really squanders the talent assembled; none of the characters is ever fleshed

out beyond what you might expect on a typical Tales from the Crypt episode. Even Christopher Walken, probably the spookiest actor in the business today, seems like he's just walking through his lines.
Another big problem with the film is that it leaves us with so many unanswered questions. If a filmmaker wants me to suspend my disbelief and embrace the fantasy world he creates, the least he can do is make it a little easier for me, answering some of the most obvious questions he raises. For example, exactly what are the warring angels fighting for? If the humankind-hating angels win, will they destroy mankind or something?
On a more serious level, the film's theology is even more confusing. At one moment the director is towing the party line of right-wing Christianity; the next, he reverts to the sort of retro-Indian mystical pablum we have seen in *Thunderheart*, *Natural Born Killers*, *The Doors* and a number of other recent films. In a film full of angels and priests, references to Lucifer and Christ, and even an extra chapter of the Book of Revelations, how should a little girl be exorcised of an evil, unwanted inhabitant? Through some sort of mystical Indian ceremony in a pueblo full of chanting and smoke, of course!
At any rate, this film isn't a complete disappointment, simply because the premise is so novel and the actors so capable. But the sense of wonder and eager interest we have throughout the film is never rewarded with any sort of fulfillment. Let's just hope that this movie doesn't leave any lingering side effects on its cast, or its poor director and screenwriter Gregory Widen. Maybe his next film will rely less on colored lights and more on a screenplay to establish mood and tension. The Prophecy is simply too shallow to be anything other than a video rental for a stormy night after a tough religion exam.

Rating Scale

☆☆☆-Go buy 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 served on your education, its free and you're bored, so go ahead and watch it.
0-Even if it's 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.)

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1 bag, marshmallows
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INGREDIENTS:
1 Box, Jello No-Bake Cheesecake Mix
1 Can of Pie Filling, made with desired fruit (blueberry, strawberry and cherry in particular)

DIRECTIONS:
Using hot pot as a bowl, prepare Jello mix and refrigerate. Serve chilled with fruit topping.

CHOCOLATE

FONDUE

INGREDIENTS:
Several chocolate bars
1 cup of milk (or so)
Several handfuls, fresh fruit

DIRECTIONS:
Throw chocolate pieces into heated hot pot, adding milk until creamy. Dip fruit into fondue and serve.

on the silver screen...

GOING WHERE NO WOMAN HAS GONE BEFORE

VMI's classrooms open to 42 college women this year, and one W&L student participates



By **TARAH GRANT**
Phi Staff Writer

Tradition has always been a highly treasured quality in Lexington. For many years, Lexington's two male colleges closely guarded their tradition of single-sex education.

The admission of women was first considered by W&L in 1896 as a means of increasing registration and income, but while *The Ring-tum Phi* advocated co-education, the faculty voted it down nine to one. 89 years later, in the fall of 1985, the first female students enrolled at W&L.

VMI, on the other hand, has remained an all-male institution.

Resisting change

"We feel our system is best done in a single-sex environment," said Mike Strickler, Director of Student Affairs at VMI. "Obviously it has been successful over the last 156 years, and it is important to us to keep this tradition."

Many people support this tradition, including representatives of seven women's colleges, who fear that if the federal government succeeds in forcing the all-male VMI to admit females, all-female colleges would find themselves in jeopardy as well.

"Studies have shown that some students perform better in single-sex schools," said Lt. Col. Courtney Wheeler, a 1972 graduate of VMI who, like most alumni, stresses the importance of keeping VMI an all-male school. "States should provide single-sex programs for both sexes. The system at VMI works well as it is; it would have to be remarkably changed to accommodate women."

The rituals and rigor of VMI have long been a part of the school's tradition, and VMI is infamous for the harassment and intense discipline the students must endure their freshman year.

Specifically, VMI uses the "adversative method," in which students are subjected to intense physical and psychological pressure—with no privacy—in an effort to build group cohesion.

Spokespeople for the women's colleges argue that the premise behind the need for separate leadership programs for women is that the methods used in VMI are appropriate only for men.

Court action

Much controversy has arisen concerning VMI's all-male admission policy recently. In its 1990 lawsuit against VMI and the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Justice Department said the military college's policy violated the 1964 Civil Rights Act and the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution.

VMI, meanwhile, claimed that the 1972 Title IX educational amendments to the Civil Rights Act "expressly authorize" a single-gender admission policy for public undergraduate institutions, emphasizing the importance of single-sex education. Judge Jackson Kiser ruled that VMI should be left alone.

The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling last fall agreed with Kiser but insisted there was still a 14th Amendment problem. The court of-

ferred the state of Virginia three options: 1) to admit women to VMI and make the necessary adjustments, 2) to set up a parallel program for women at another school, or 3) to end public funding and turn VMI into a private institution.

Virginia chose to set up an alternative program for women at Mary Baldwin College in nearby Staunton, hoping to satisfy constitutional concerns without abandoning VMI's tradition.

VWIL established

Mary Baldwin College explains the resulting women's program, Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL), as a rigorous program designed to give students the knowledge, skills, character and opportunities that will allow them to obtain and succeed in positions of leadership in the private or public arena, including the military.

The program consists of four interrelated components: curriculum, co-curriculum, physical and health education, and military leadership. Students will be members of the Virginia Corps of Cadets. Because it is offered under contract with the Commonwealth of Virginia, financial support is available to all Virginia residents, lowering the base tuition.

The VWIL program coordinates military training with the Reserve Officer Training Corps at VMI, but otherwise is vastly different from its male counterpart.

"Our goals are different," explained

Professor Brenda Bryant to potential students at Mary Baldwin's visiting day last weekend.

"VWIL is a 24-hour leadership environment as opposed to VMI's 24-hour military environment...Building character is our first priority; competence is second."

The first-year cadets at VMI, fondly assigned the nickname 'rats,' must wear uniforms all day, walk on campus in rigid military style and drop for push-ups at the whim of any upperclassman. In the VWIL program, meanwhile, participating women will wear uniforms once a week, and although they face similar academic pressures, theirs will be, according to Bryant, "a nurturing and positive community."

"It has exceeded the expectations of [both schools]," Strickler said. "We are 100% behind the program. It will accomplish what it has set out to accomplish."

W&L's Dean Sessions and VMI's

W&L woman a VWIL participant

The VWIL participants, however, are not the only females making a debut on the VMI campus this fall. W&L freshman Jennifer Mandeville was awarded a four-year Army ROTC scholarship before receiving her letter of acceptance from W&L.

W&L's Dean Sessions and VMI's

Scott Dittman have worked closely with Mandeville, helping her organize her schedule and transfer credits, since her admission to the university last spring.

"We are thrilled to have Jennifer here [at VMI] and are glad to help her keep her scholarship and pursue her educational objectives," said Dittman.

After the Citadel's harsh reception of Shannen Faulkner earlier this fall, Mandeville and many of the VWIL participants were concerned about the reaction of the VMI cadets.

"The girls were scared; many of them had emblazoned in their minds the picture of the guys at the gate of the Citadel," Bryant explained. "But the last thing that VMI wanted was that image of its tradition. We are very pleased with the hospitality of VMI."

While the VWIL students only attend a weekly military science class at VMI, Mandeville must also fulfill the physical training of her ROTC scholarship at VMI.

"The 'rats' are really nice," Mandeville said. "They treat me like a brother rat; we splash through the mud together, and help each other out."

Mandeville will be the second female student to be commissioned during her time at Washington and Lee.

Her predecessor, Loretta Lee Vandenburg, set some high standards of success for Mandeville to follow. Vandenburg had completed a year at the US Naval Academy before transferring to W&L.

She then took military science classes here and was commissioned

2nd Lieutenant in the Marine Corps in December 1990 by the VMI ROTC unit at a special ceremony in Lee Chapel, going on to score the second highest of any woman on a Marine Corps leadership exam and was selected for the American Gladiators program.

An uncertain future for single-sex education

As more opportunities open for women in the military, females are bound to continue to challenge single-sex traditions.

Last June, the Clinton Administration asked the Supreme Court to appeal the decision by the US Court of Appeals that allowed VMI to exclude women provided that Virginia created the leadership program at Mary Baldwin College. In its appeal, filed in May, the Administration argued that the appeals court relied on "harmful gender stereotypes" when it approved the plan earlier this year. A brief filed by the Justice Department rejected the argument that women could not withstand the adversative program: "The history of sex discrimination in the United States has been replete with official assumption that women and men properly belong in restrictive separate spheres and plat different societal roles according to sex. The exclusion of women from VMI impermissibly recognizes one such assumption—that where military-style education can be preserved in its 'true' and most rigorous form, women simply do not belong."

The Supreme Court must now decide either to hear or to decline the case. Until then, the prospect of women one day attending VMI as full-time students is left to speculation. As Dittman put it, "only God and the Army know" what will happen.

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Tailgating must stay

Tailgating: a Washington and Lee tradition. Like many of W&L's most revered traditions (Fall Rush, choosing your own housing, speaking to each other, etc.), yet another is falling by the wayside.

A few days ago, University Security notified the Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council that tailgates, the ever-popular party outside of a Jeep Cherokee trunk, were to be restricted to the fenced lacrosse fields. Additionally, they are to last only two hours from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The administration cites safety and liability concerns as justification for the new limitations. Undoubtedly, that's a valid concern.

Nevertheless, all-day tailgates are part of the W&L experience. Football games simply won't be complete without chicken wings, bourbon-and-cokes, and Dave Matthews cranking out of a car stereo. Tailgates, tubing on the Maury, and hooking up under the moon at the Ruins—these are the events that make undergraduate life unforgettable.

Washington and Lee students are a generally easy-going and well-mannered bunch. For the most part, they know when to say when. Drunken tragedies are a rare phenomenon at W&L, thank God. The Hill's concerns regarding tailgates, while thoughtful, are largely unfounded. We certainly can't recall any tailgating nightmares.

For better or worse, student autonomy has become a buzz phrase around the W&L campus. Trespasses against the fiercely valued independence of students are not treated lightly. Restricting tailgating seems a foolish choice for which the administration is rallying. Indeed, more important issues facing the student body demand the Hill's attention—sexual assault, violent hazing, and drug abuse, to name a few.

Tailgates are about harmless fun. They offer a respite from the stressful working week. They provide a chance for the W&L community to gather and support our fighting Generals.

Like Garbo, tailgates should simply be left alone.

Quote of the Week

"Bowties have been relegated to the land of nerds, geeks and dweebs. That's Manning, Atkins and me."

—Professor Andrew Jackson Holliday

OPINION



"They call it Rush because it gets shorter every year"

Overdue political overhaul in works



JOSHUA HESLINGA, '98

To say that the 1996 elections will be important may seem banal to most, but here I intend to put a new spin on that statement. I think the 1996 elections are likely to tell us as much about what sort of political system we want to have in place as they will about particular candidates or ideologies.

The most obvious example is the continuing question over the possibility of a third or fourth candidate, running as an independent. However, I would argue that the mere presence of an independent candidate won't tell us nearly as much about the future of the two major political parties as pundits think.

In 1992, America was subjected to the candidacy of egotistical billionaire Ross Perot. Like the electorate, Perot wanted change immediately. Consequently, he passed up his excellent chance to form a third party and chose instead to leave his followers drifting in the wind after the election.

What's the difference, you ask? The difference is that many states have an automatic threshold guaranteeing ballot access to a third party if it scores above a certain level in the previous election. In other words, Mr. Perot could have been sitting at the head of a third party in 1996 with ballot access in dozens of states *guaranteed*. The polls consistently show that a large segment of the American electorate views the possibility of a third party favorably.

While the most likely independent

candidate in 1996 remains open to question, it seems as though a strong possibility exists. With that in mind, it will be the identity and beliefs of any independent candidate that will be the decisive factors in any possible formation of a third party. Are voters and activists merely interested in the instant gratification of an independent candidacy rather than the real change a third party would bring?

If a third party does emerge, one wonders if the American political system itself will adapt to prevent the possibility of more presidents by plurality. In a four-candidate race, assuming for the sake of simplicity that appeal remains constant nationwide, the winner need only have 26 percent nationwide to be elected in an electoral landslide. This is hardly true majoritarian rule.

Reform of the electoral college system is never discussed in current political talk. Yet it may be one of the most important reforms needed in American government. It would probably only take one gross example of this or one election thrown into the House of Representatives for the American people to demand change. But then again, why wait until something goes wrong?

This year has also seen the extreme front-loading of the primary schedule as states scramble to move forward in the process in order to remain relevant. The results of this 1996 shuffle may reverberate in years to come as future primary structures are studied. Will legislatures merely play "Can you top this?" or will a better primary system emerge?

A major structural question also exists for the two parties themselves. Since 1994, we have seen an unprecedented flood of conservative Demo-

crats moving to the Republican party at all levels of government on at least nominally ideological grounds. Given the intense dislike of the liberal wing of the Republican party for their religious conservative brethren, the next couple of years may determine if liberal Republicans are likely to abandon the GOP. The 1996 election and events shortly afterward may finally reveal whether we are seeing an ideological solidification in the parties or a mere flood of rats jumping a sinking ship.

Another major question to be answered deals with the ideological tendencies of the voters themselves. Since the 1996 election, the liberal media has been chanting the mantra that the voters merely had a tantrum in 1994, denying any ideological bent to the change in the fervent hope that it will become accepted fact.

This dubious illusion ignores important advances by conservatives in 1994, particularly social conservatives. Nonetheless, we are likely to find out what the ideological bent of the electorate really is. Is the "radical middle" made up of merely cynical iconoclasts or will it continue the House Republicans' conservative revolution?

1996 will also be about the future of Congress. Since 1994, virtually every political scientist agrees that the major spotlight has shifted to Congress from the presidency. The congressional elections in 1996 may be much more important than the presidential election, for a couple of reasons.

In races for the Senate, the deluge of Democratic retirements (seven so far) presents many open races, in which voters will not only decide between Democrats and Republicans. They will also determine whether they want more of the active conservative Republicans

or the moderate deal-makers to run for these slots.

Senate Majority Whip Trent Lott would be one of the favorites to succeed Bob Dole as Majority Leader if necessary, and the Republican party in the Senate would certainly take on a more hard-line tone under the former Gingrich colleague. Will the voters empower the recently ascendant Senate conservatives to enforce more party discipline and stick to their guns, or will they measure politicians by the number of bills they produce?

This theme of principle versus compromise is paralleled in the intensifying Gramm/Dole primary collision as well as the upcoming budget fight. Republicans will soon be called on to choose whether or not to blink in their stare-down with Bill Clinton. Major forces in both houses are willing to undergo a government shutdown if they can force Clinton to sign Republican appropriations goals into law.

All of the above also says nothing about the numerous Constitutional changes that may be imminent, from term limits to a balanced budget to religious equality. Nor does this address the huge upcoming debates over radical reform in both the tax code and the structure of the executive branch. Nor the continuing questions of devolution in government and the restoration of federalism.

The 1996 elections and upcoming debates will soon create the most thorough examination of the American political system in decades. This will include answers to many lesser-known structural and electoral questions besides the popular ideological ones.

An old Chinese proverb says, "May you live in interesting times." Somehow, I think we have that one covered.

Wacky, wacky, election year hijinks

THE FAR MIDDLE

Alex Christensen

Thank god for politics. What else am I going to do with those three and a half minutes of unscheduled time I have between 4:56:30 and 5 a.m.? The answer, of course, is nothin' more than politick, politick, and politick some more.

And while you can find analyses of the political situation—who the Republican nominee will be, whether Clinton will get a primary challenge, if Colin Powell/Steve Forbes/Lowell Weicker/Ross Perot/Bill Bradley might be the new political savior—pretty much anywhere, where else will you find a practical guide to Fun with the Presidential Election than here in "The Far Middle"?

That's right. Politics can be so much more than old white guys in dark suits and red power ties talking about "welfare" and "budgets" and "crap like that." In fact, it can be Fun with a capital F. Modern technology and the quest for votes have combined to allow you, the average American schlub, to have a voice in our government.

Allow me to elaborate.

For instance, last year, when one of my personal heroes and a great American, Joycelyn Elders, was fired as Surgeon General, I had the great pleasure of writing a message by e-mail to the President (at president@whitehouse.gov) which began, "You f---ing moron," and went pretty much downhill from there. While this was viscerally satisfying (try it, you'll see), I'm pretty sure it never actually reached the President himself. His e-mail is probably even more clogged than his regular mail. So while the Secret Service men who showed up at my door in Graham-Lees dorm seemed interested, I can't help but suspect that I may not have gotten my point across.

Undaunted, I have tried to think of other ways to get my political message through to the big-time movers and shakers in Washington. This is really not an easy thing to do, as the nature of politicians today seems to be to isolate themselves as much as possible from "the people," principally because "the people"

are angry at "the politicians" for running "the country" into "the huge, festering pit of debt so great that it can hardly be comprehended by the human mind, much less paid off in our lifetimes" in which we find ourselves. They are likely to get beamed with a ripe tomato.

Luckily, Jerry Brown still believes in communicating with the people. He started the lovely trend of "800-numbers" in 1992, which has now spilled over into most mainstream campaigns. So now, you can talk directly to the candidates, for free! Or at least those guys who answer the phones when you call.

I have found it most effective to call late at night, when they are least expecting it. It's a fun study break to sit back and punch in 1-800-GO-PAT-GO, then just wait for the hilarity to begin. You'll hear something like:

"Thank you for calling GO-PAT-GO. This is Amy. Pat Buchanan is looking for patriotic Americans like yourself who will support his efforts to take America back from the professional politicians who run Washington. To add your name to our list of supporters, I just need your name, address, and phone number. Would you like to add your name to our list of supporters?" to which I like to respond, "No" and then just see what they come up with. "What?" and "OK, how may I help you?" are the standards, which make me have to think of more witty things to say. My favorite reply was, "Well then, would you like to order a free trial copy of *Soldier of Fortune* magazine?"

Or if Pat Buchanan is too scary for you, try the Bob Dole campaign. Their number is 1-800-BOB-DOLE. Catchy, huh? Sort of like the man himself. If you call the Dole for President number, you'll hear Bob Dole saying:

"This is Bob Dole. Thank you for calling. Elizabeth and I would be honored to have your support. America needs strong leadership, and with your help, we can rein in the federal government, reconnect it to our values, and reassert our influence abroad. But it's not going to happen without a lot of hard work. That's why we appreciate your willingness to help." Then you'll be invited to learn more about how you can join the Dole for President team or give a donation by phone.

This might not sound like as much fun as harassing real live people late at night, but with a little creativity, it can be much more effective.

The first thing you should know about politics, just in case you don't know anything about it yet, is that there is one thing that can give you political influence when nothing else can. No, I'm not talking about voting. No, I'm not talking about wearing a big red-white-and-blue button featuring a goofy mug shot of your favorite candidate. No, I'm not even talking about being informed about the issues. (I do, however, recommend these, too.) No, what I'm talking about is DONATING BIG MONEY.

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What's that you're saying? You don't have big money, but you'd like a piece of the action, too? You think you have something to say about important issues that might be constructive or instructive?

Well, just do what I did. When Bob Dole finishes talking, hit 2 to donate big cash. I'm not saying you should lie and say you're ready to sign over your life savings. I'm just saying that maybe, when the recording asks how much you would like to donate, go for the grand man. I pledged \$1000, the federal individual contribution limit. Now, I'm not sure yet if I'll be able to afford to actually include a check in the envelope that arrived in my mailbox a few days later when I return it to the campaign, but I will definitely be including a short note letting them know exactly where I think the campaign may be coming up short in the ideas department.

Hey, all's fair in love, war and politics, so enjoy yourself! And remember, when the only way to get a presidential candidate eager to tear into a letter from an ordinary citizen is to make him think it's stuffed with cash, don't be shy in letting him know what you think about that.

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Growing up and getting published

DREAM LAND

Richard Weaver

I realize it's fairly well-known that I found a great deal of inspiration from my mail. This week it wasn't just an inspiration; it was a calling. A letter arrived offering me a "once in a lifetime experience." "My knees turned to jelly" is how Kathleen Sue Jones of Carmichael, California described it when it happened to her.

Alvin Tresselt, "Dean of Faculty" at "The Institute of Children's Literature," wanted me to send in a writing sample for a children's book! Alvin implied that "the heaven-on-earth turning point will be your first letter of acceptance from an editor, followed by the unforgettable experience of seeing your words and your name in print." Alvin even sent a little book cover with my name and "Growing Up" on it.

As I went through the letter I saw that Deborah Wells of Leesburg, Virginia also said her "knees turned to jelly." This was too good to pass up. I've decided that my new goal is to write a children's book. I want my knees to turn to jelly.

Alvin even offered to enroll me in a special class if my story was not yet

quite ready for publication, for a special fee. In fact, there was an important notice that the Connecticut Board of State Academic Awards recommended I receive 6 college credits should I complete Alvin's special children's book course. I think it's pretty obvious that this would be an excellent replacement for taking something silly here at W&L, like Biology.

"But where will I get the idea for a children's story?" I asked myself out loud. I thought about writing about Jimmy, a seven-year-old heroin addict, but since that had been done already, I took the letter's advice and decided to draw from my own experiences and then make up details to make them interesting.

It's common practice for serious writers like myself to write a synopsis

of their story before actually writing it. It allows you to sketch out your ideas so that, in my case, they fit into my allotted column space in the *Phi*.

Since I will most likely need a corporate sponsor to pay for the publication of my children's story I have no qualms at all about throwing in references to any number of products. In fact, I may even hold some sort of auction for the right to appear in my story.

My story is roughly like this: a little boy named Brian, in Nike Air shoes, walked into the Dollar Tree in Lexington where he saw for sale (for one dollar) a Super Power Robot Ranger plastic claw (they're in the toy aisle—really). Brian thought, "Wow, wouldn't it be neat to have a cheap Mighty Morphin Power Rangers knock-off toy!"

He stuck his hand in the back pocket of his Levi jeans to pull out his wallet

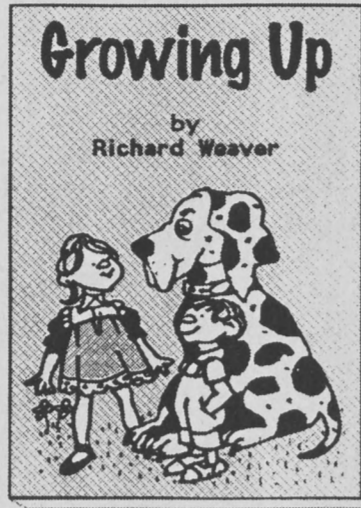
when his conscience began to speak: "Brian, you can't buy this product; it would deprive the Mighty Morphin Power Ranger Industrial Corporation of its due royalties. Brian, how would it make you feel if you made only \$100 million off your line of overpriced, easily breakable plastic toys?"

Brian thought about it for a while and realized the moral of the story, which he noted came on the second to last page of the story, was to give people their due credit (and money). To rip off the Power Rangers would not only be a mean thing to do, their lawyers might have to come to your house to turn your knees to jelly, if you understand what I'm saying.

Brian walked next door to Wal-Mart, where he bought several Mighty Morphin Power Ranger products, as well as more Levi jeans.

"It feels good knowing I've benefited corporate America," Brian said. And he headed home to his parents, who reminded him that this is what "Growing Up" is all about. The End.

If a story like this can get me six credits, I don't care what anybody else thinks: I'll tell it to my future children, and say, "This is what Daddy learned in college." And they'll be proud. And then they'll go out and buy me something.



GENERAL NOTES

Cable 2

Cable 2 will hold an organizational meeting Sunday, Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. in the television studio in Reid 303. No experience is necessary. All interested students are welcome. Questions should be directed to Lucy at 463-4121.

College Democrats

Students interested in working on local campaigns and helping the Democrats hold Virginia are invited to the College Democrats meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26 in the Gameroom. For more information call Nova at x4099.

Film Society

Washington and Lee's Film Society will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 4:30 p.m. in C-School 220 or 221. All members and interested students are invited to attend.

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity will hold its organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26 in the Gameroom. Students interested in building a house or helping with fund-raising are invited. Questions should be directed to Brad at x4836 or Nova at x4099.

Hong Kong

Join W&L's exchange program with Chung Chi College of the Chinese University of Hong Kong beginning Sept. 1996. No Chinese language skills are required. Courses are in English; you pay W&L fees and earn W&L credits. Contact Professor Hill or Professor Rogers in the East Asian Language Center (Red House) for more information.

Mock Convention

Mock Convention is looking for a student interested in the Internet, Home Pages and computing. Interested students should call 462-4057.

Outdoor Program

The Outdoor Program is sponsoring kayaking lessons this term. Lessons are held Wednesday nights 8-10 p.m. in the small pool in the gym (near the equipment check-out booth). For more information call 463-5947 or 463-5776.

Sigma Delta Chi

The Society of Professional Journalists/Sigma Delta Chi will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27 in the J-school library on the second floor of Reid Hall. All print and broadcast journalism students are welcome. For more information call Lucy at 463-4121.

Who's Who

Anyone who wishes to nominate a member of the current undergraduate senior class for selection to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* may do so by submitting the name and qualifications of that student to David L. Howison, Dean of Students, in Payne Hall 9 by Oct. 6. Criteria for selection to *Who's Who* include scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to Washington and Lee, and potential for future achievement.

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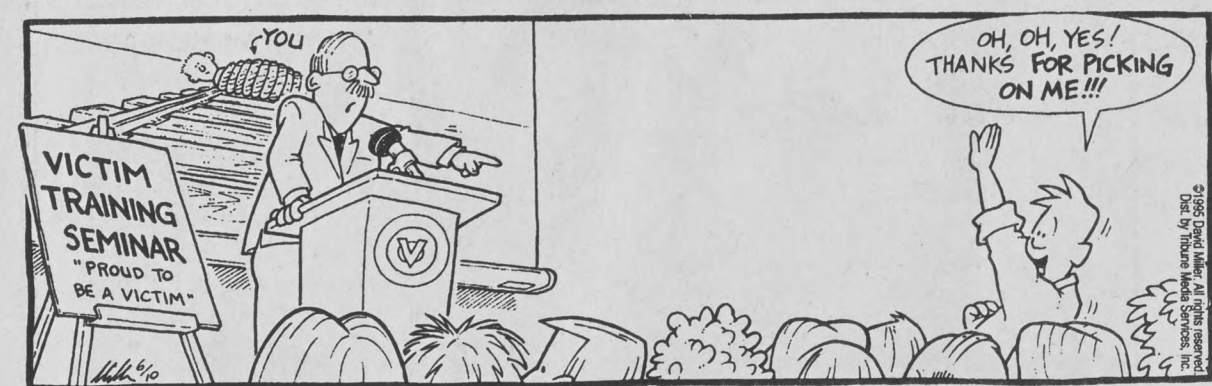
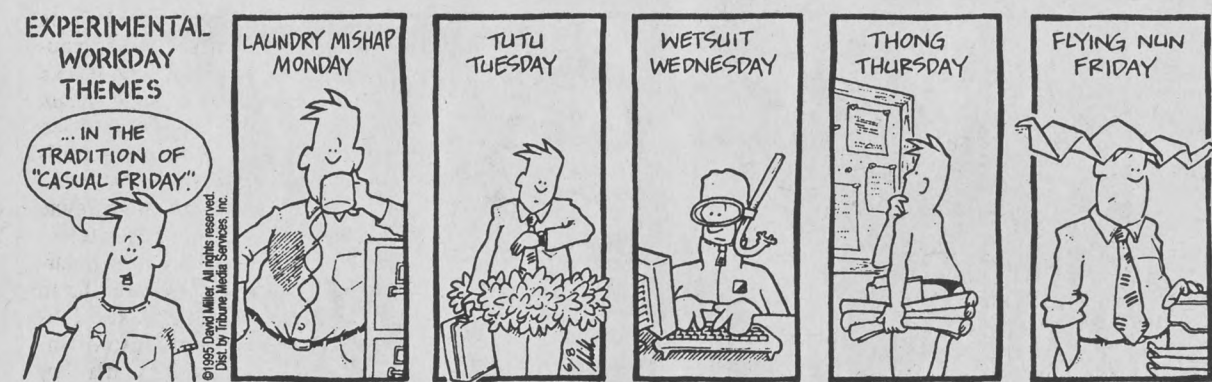
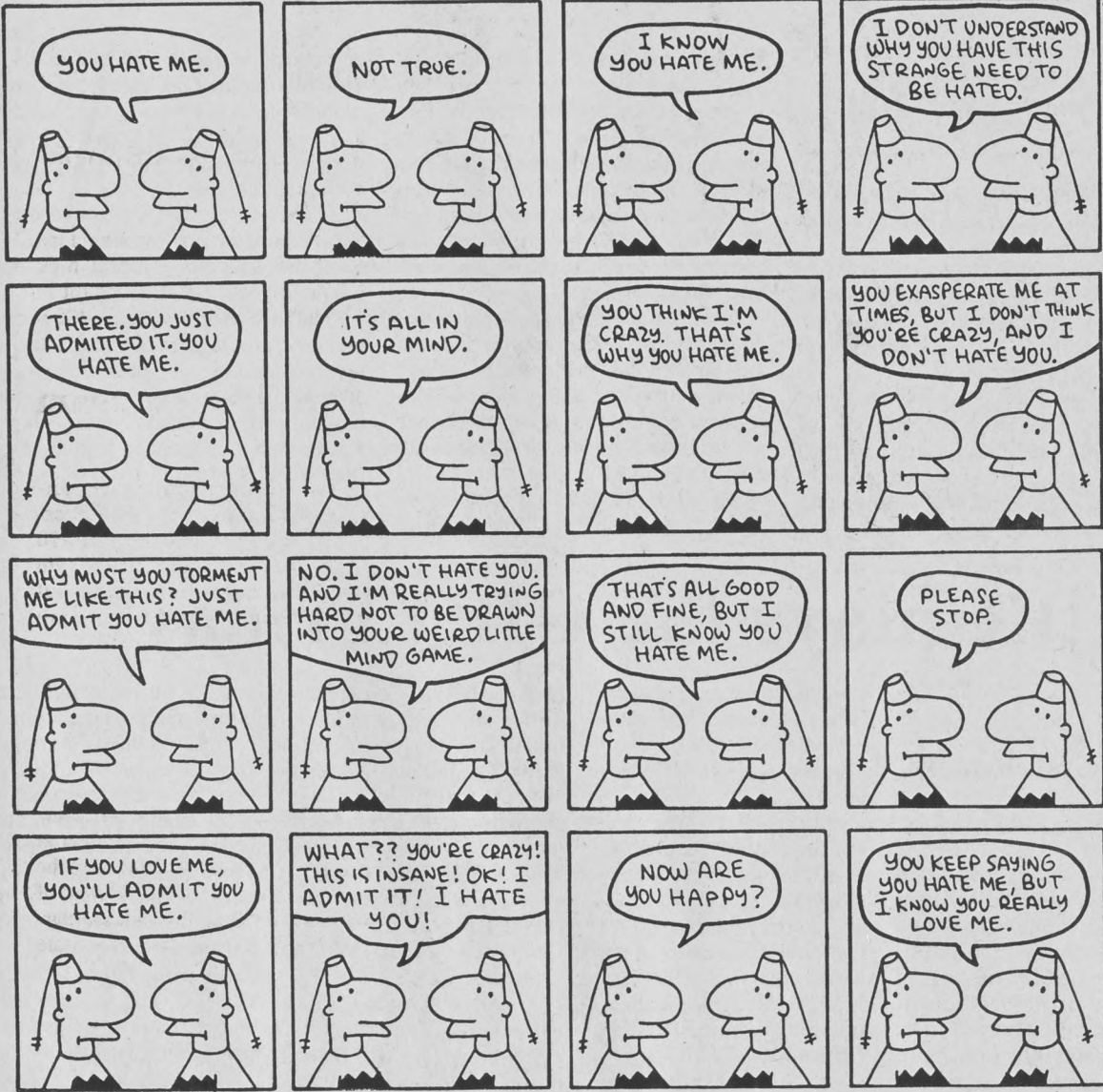
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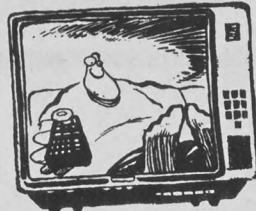
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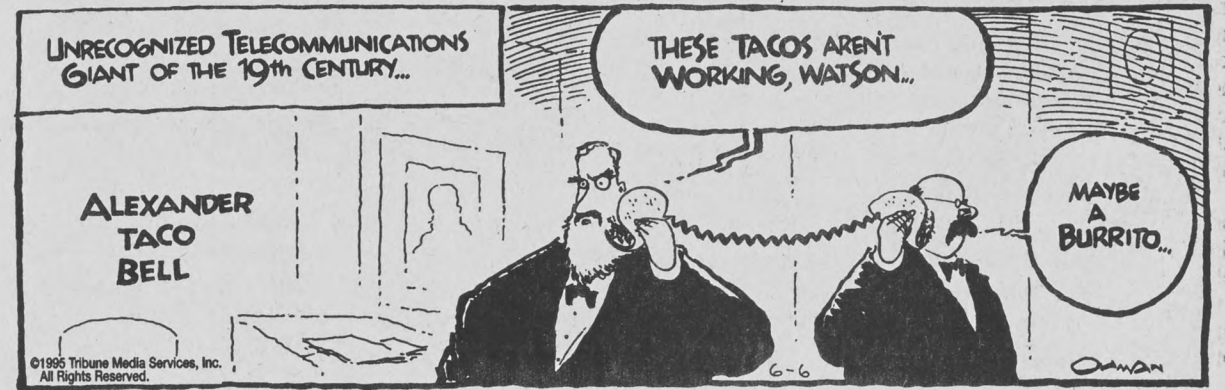
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Journal of Science	\$800.00
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Minority Students' Association	\$5,075.00
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Political Review	\$3,500.00
Preston Society	\$300.00
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Student Body Working Reserve	\$16,000.00
TOTAL	\$319,554.20

W&L Rated Best Buy by U.S. News

By **ETHAN KRUPP**
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee was named U.S. News and World Report's Best Buy again this year.

The magazine released its list of best buys this week as a follow up to last week's annual college guide. W&L ranked 15th in the National Liberal Arts Colleges category.

The Best Buys category was bifurcated into Best Buys based on sticker price with no financial aid and Best Buys with tuition discounted by financial aid. W&L's number one ranking was in the sticker price category. The

University ranked 21st in the discount tuition category.

Acting Dean of the College W. Lad Sessions was pleased to see W&L at the top of the sticker price list. He also offered an explanation to why W&L was 21st on the discounted tuition list.

"W&L is unique in our category because we do not do tuition discounting," Sessions said.

Sessions went on to explain that does not mean W&L gives no financial aid. He defined "tuition discounting" as the process of using money from students paying full tuition to finance aid for other students. W&L does not discount tuition in that manner. Instead, all of financial aid received by W&L students comes from

endowments. Sessions also said that tuition discounting has become so commonplace at some schools that in order to raise one dollar for operating expenses, the schools must charge two dollars in tuition.

"[Therefore] the discounted Best Buy school is not the best buy for someone who can afford to pay the whole tuition," Sessions said.

That is one of the reasons Sessions feels the rankings have "assumed too much importance." Current students also said the rankings were not the deciding factor in choosing a college. Junior Deborah Zollman said the fact that W&L is a best buy did not make her decide to come, although it did please her father, who gets the bills.

Settie plays the GHQ Friday

From
Phi Staff Reports

Settie is an acoustic rock duo, headed by the talented Lisette Bellnier. In just two years Settie has managed to become one of the most in demand performers at colleges in the country.

She will be playing in the General's Headquarters

tonight at 10 p.m. The show is one of a series sponsored by Michelle Richardson, Student Activities Coordinator.

The GHQ Pub was opened in early September to offer students an alternative to the typical W&L fare of fraternity parties.

Settie showcased at the New England and East Coast NACA (National Association for Campus Activities) Coffeehouse Festivals.

In 1994 they shined at the

National NACA Conference in Boston resulting in a national fall tour of 45 colleges. The fall of 1994 also brought two more college showcases at the Upper Midwest and New England NACA Regional Conferences. Now in 1995 they are showcasing at the South Central and Illiana NACA Conferences.

Campus Activities Programming Magazine reviews all concur that Settie is the act to book and re-

book. With incredible renditions of classic rock tunes to today's most popular songs, coupled with the mesmerizing vocals and electrifying stage presence of Settie, audiences everywhere are always asking for more. Settie's debut CD on Public Records entitled Bob Bit The Fisherman, was released in the fall of 1994. In the 1995 fall tour they will be performing songs from their Album "Blackberry" on Public Records.



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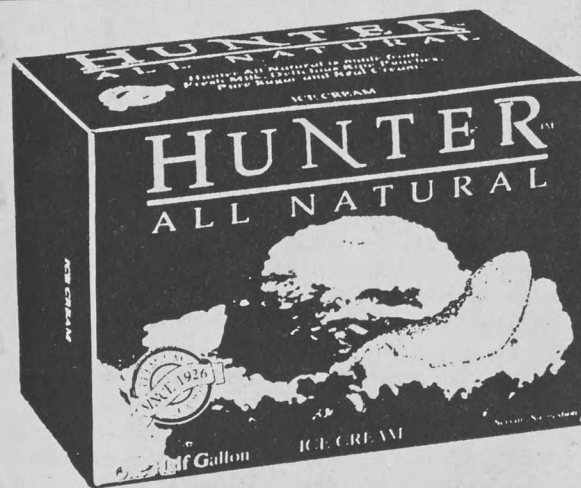
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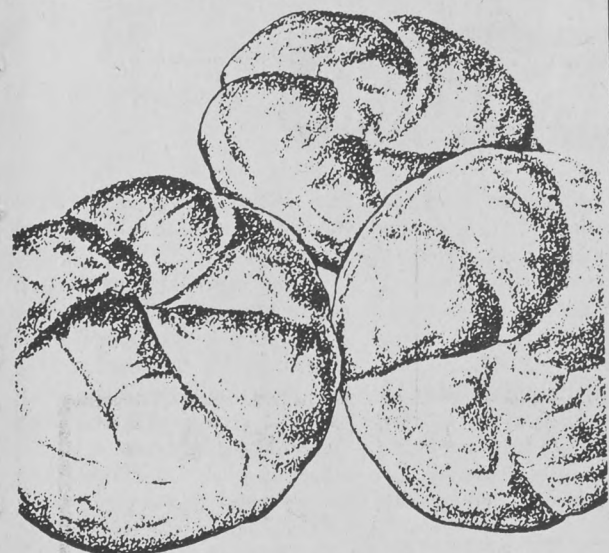


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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Caroline Keen Women's Soccer

Freshman Caroline Keen has been on a rampage this past week for the Generals.

Keen demolished the W&L single-game points record last Thursday in a 12-0 walloping of Mary Baldwin, as she racked up an incredible nine points.

Keen scored four goals and assisted on another to total the nine points, which shattered the record previously held by teammates Erica Reineke and Michelle Bauman.

As if that wasn't enough, Keen nailed two more goals and handed out one assist in the 4-1 conference win at Guilford last Saturday.



Pete Sorensen Water Polo

The W&L water polo squad shocked many by upsetting Navy, possibly the best team on the East Coast. 16-15, last Saturday in Richmond.

No one General contributed more to the stunner than junior Pete Sorensen.

All Sorensen did was tally nine points. Most of those came from long-distance, as he established a school record by scoring three two-point goals.

The junior also played admirable defense, as he contained Navy's two-meter player.

Sorensen came back to net two more goals in the Generals' 13-12 win over Johns Hopkins.

By the Numbers

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AFC			
East	W	L	PCT
Miami	3	0	1.000
Buffalo	2	1	.667
New England	1	2	.333
Indianapolis	1	2	.333
N.Y. Jets	1	2	.333
Central			
Cincinnati	2	1	.667
Cleveland	2	1	.667
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667
Houston	1	2	.333
Jacksonville	0	3	.000
West			
Kansas City	3	0	1.000
Denver	2	1	.667
Oakland	2	1	.667
San Diego	2	1	.667
Seattle	1	2	.333

NFC			
East	W	L	PCT
Dallas	3	0	1.000
Arizona	1	2	.333
Philadelphia	1	2	.333
Washington	1	2	.333
N.Y. Giants	0	3	.000
Central			
Chicago	2	1	.667
Green Bay	2	1	.667
Minnesota	1	2	.333
Tampa Bay	1	2	.333
Detroit	0	3	.000
West			
San Francisco	3	0	1.000
St. Louis	3	0	1.000
Atlanta	2	1	.667
Carolina	0	3	.000
New Orleans	0	3	.000

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League				
East	W	L	PCT	GB
x-Boston	81	53	.604	---
N.Y. Yankees	71	64	.526	10.5
Baltimore	64	72	.471	18
Detroit	57	78	.422	24.5
Toronto	54	81	.400	27.5
Central				
x-Cleveland	93	42	.689	---
Kansas City	68	66	.507	24.5
Milwaukee	63	71	.470	29.5
Chicago W.S.	61	72	.459	31
Minnesota	51	82	.383	41
West				
California	72	63	.533	---
Seattle	72	63	.533	---
Texas	68	67	.504	4
Oakland	67	68	.496	5

National League				
East	W	L	PCT	GB
x-Atlanta	85	50	.630	---
Philadelphia	66	69	.489	19
N.Y. Mets	63	71	.470	21.5
Montreal	62	72	.463	22.5
Florida	61	72	.459	23
Central				
Cincinnati	80	54	.597	---
Houston	70	64	.522	10
Chicago	65	68	.489	14.5
St. Louis	59	75	.440	21
Pittsburgh	55	79	.410	25
West				
Colorado	72	61	.541	---
Los Angeles	71	63	.530	1.5
San Diego	65	69	.485	7.5
San Francisco	63	70	.474	9

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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS (HOME TEAM IN CAPS)

Atlanta 27, NEW ORLEANS 24 (OT)
 St. Louis 31, CAROLINA 10
 Cleveland 14, HOUSTON 7
 KANSAS CITY 23, Oakland 17 (OT)
 GREEN BAY 14, N.Y. Giants 6
 San Diego 27, PHILADELPHIA 21
 BUFFALO 20, Indianapolis 14
 Arizona 20, DETROIT 17
 SAN FRANCISCO 28, New England 3
 N.Y. JETS 27, Jacksonville 10
 Chicago 25, TAMPA BAY 6
 SEATTLE 24, Cincinnati 21
 DENVER 38, Washington 31
 Dallas 23, MINNESOTA 17 (OT)
 MIAMI 23, Pittsburgh 10 (Mon.)

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Chicago at St. Louis 1PM
 New Orleans at N.Y. Giants 1PM
 Minnesota at Pittsburgh 1PM
 Washington at Tampa Bay 1PM
 N.Y. Jets at Atlanta 4PM
 Houston at Cincinnati 4PM
 Kansas City at Cleveland 4PM
 Denver at San Diego 4PM
 Arizona at Dallas 4PM
 Philadelphia at Oakland 4PM
 Green Bay at Jacksonville 8PM

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MONDAY'S GAME

San Francisco at Detroit 9PM

GENERALS' UPCOMING HOME SCHEDULE 9/22-9/28

Fri - Sat, 9/22-9/23 Golf in W&L Fall Classic
 Fri - Sun, 9/22-9/24 Men's tennis in Rolex Regional, 9:00 AM
 Saturday, 9/23 Football vs. Centre in Hall of Fame Game, 1:30 PM
 Thursday, 9/28 Women's soccer vs. RMWC, 4:00 PM

WILD CARD RACES:

AL				
	W	L	PCT	GB
California	72	63	.533	---
Seattle	72	63	.533	---
N.Y. Yankees	71	64	.526	1
Kansas City	68	66	.507	3.5
Texas	68	67	.504	4
Oakland	67	68	.496	5
NL				
Los Angeles	71	63	.530	---
Houston	70	64	.522	1
Philadelphia	66	69	.489	5.5
Chicago C.	65	68	.489	5.5
San Diego	65	69	.485	6

THURSDAY'S GAMES:

NL
 Pittsburgh at Chicago C., night
 N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, night
 Florida at Philadelphia, night
 San Diego at Los Angeles, night
 Colorado at San Francisco, night

AL
 Baltimore 13, DETROIT 1
 Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, night
 Milwaukee at Chicago W.S., night
 Minnesota at Kansas City, night

THIS WEEKEND'S GAMES:

Baltimore at Milwaukee, Fri-Sun
 Toronto at Boston, Fri-Sun
 Cleveland at Kansas City, Fri-Sun
 California at Texas, Fri-Sun
 Chicago W.S. at Minnesota, Fri-Sun
 Detroit at N.Y. Yankees, Fri-Sun
 Oakland at Seattle, Fri-Sun

Montreal at Atlanta, Fri-Sun
 Pittsburgh at Chicago C., Fri-Sun
 Cincinnati at Philadelphia, Fri-Sun
 St. Louis at Houston, Fri-Sun
 Colorado at San Francisco, Fri-Sun
 San Diego at Los Angeles, Fri-Sun
 N.Y. Mets at Florida, Fri-Sun

Last Week:

VOLLEYBALL - Won W&L Invitational, 15-11, 15-5, vs. Randolph-Macon; 15-11, 15-8, 15-1, vs. RMWC; 15-12, 15-5, 15-12, 15-11, at Roanoke
 MSOCCER - W, 5-3, at Catholic; W, 4-1, vs. Emory and Henry
 WSOCCER - W, 4-1, at Guilford; W, 2-0, at Hollins
 MCROSS COUNTRY - Finished first in W&L Invitational
 WCROSS COUNTRY - Finished third in W&L Invitational
 WATER POLO - W, 16-15, vs. Navy; L, 16-11, vs. Richmond; W, 13-12, vs. Johns Hopkins at Richmond Invitational

The Ring-tum Phi SPORTS

This Week:

VOLLEYBALL - Wed. at Bridgewater, 6:30 PM
 FOOTBALL - Sat. vs. Centre, 1:30 PM
 MSOCCER - Sat. at Virginia Wesleyan, 1:00 PM; Wed. at Guilford, 4:00 PM
 WSOCCER - Thurs. vs. Randolph-Macon, 4:00 PM
 M. WCROSS COUNTRY - Sat. at Dickinson Invitational, 10:00 AM
 MTENNIS - Fri. Sun. in Rolex Regional, 9:00 AM
 WTENNIS - Fri. Sun. at JMU Tournament, 9:00 AM
 GOLF - Fri. Sat. in W&L Fall Classic

The wild wild cards

THE BIG FAN

BY SCOTT BOOKWALTER

Colorado, in its third season of existence, has playoff fever.

Houston, who endured an eleven-game losing streak during the summer, has playoff fever.

Los Angeles, who was supposed to be much better than it actually is, has playoff fever.

Seattle and Texas, who have never before visited the postseason, have playoff fever.

The New York Yankees, who captured the AL East last year in a season that didn't count, have playoff fever.

Kansas City, who wasn't even supposed to contend after dumping high-salaried players during the offseason, has playoff fever.

What is the cause of all this playoff commotion? The wild card, of course.

There used to be only two playoff qualifiers from each baseball league. Now, with the addition of another division, and a wild-card spot reserved for the best non-division-winning team, both the AL and NL will have four postseason entries.

There would be little interest in the 1995 regular season without the wild-card races. Atlanta has clinched the NL East, Cleveland easily wrapped up the AL Central, and Boston recently captured the AL East. Cincinnati, the leader of the NL Central, should clinch soon.

The AL and NL West are the only divisions still up for grabs.

Without the wild card, the Yankees, Houston, Kansas City, Texas, and several other teams who still have a minuscule shot at a playoff berth, would be playing out the string. But because of that one small chance for World Series glory, there is hope for everyone.

Not everyone is thrilled with the arrangement. Purists argue that the wild-card addition cheapens baseball's postseason tradition. They claim that it hurts the chance for exciting divisional races. Also, they fear the prospect of a sub-.500 team making the playoffs, or worse yet, winning the World Series.

Those opinions are all unfounded. First of all, baseball doesn't have much of a postseason tradition to worry about now. The players' strike obliterated the 1994 World Series, and before that, baseball executives took a public-relations hit for staging Series games so late that they would end past most people's bedtimes.

Obviously, there are few exciting divisional races, but since the wild cards are up for grabs in both leagues, each team is still playing hard, anyway.

The sub-.500 theory also has holes. Mathematically, there are very small odds that the fourth best team in a fourteen-team league would have a losing record. The odds of such a team capturing eleven games over superior competition to win the Series are practically nil.

Because of the wild card, September means something for more than just a few teams. Three-quarters of the majors possess even the slightest chance of extending their seasons. Seattle likely has a new stadium hinging on a postseason berth. New York will try to prove that it was not the AL Flop of the Year. Basically, the wild-card race has brought the excitement back.

There is finally a reason for optimism in baseball. And it may be worth staying up late for this fall.

Volleyball cruises to W&L Invitational win

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
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It has been a week of firsts for the Washington and Lee volleyball team.

The Generals captured the W&L Invitational for the first time ever last Saturday by blowing away the competition in the five games they played. Then, on Tuesday, W&L established a team record for best start ever by humiliating Randolph-Macon Women's College at home.

The Generals wasted no time making their presence known Saturday afternoon in the fifth annual W&L Invitational.

After dispatching its first three opponents of the day, Carnegie Mellon, Randolph-Macon, and Catholic, to win the Pool A championship, the volleyball squad rolled into the semifinals against Lebanon Valley. However, Lebanon Valley chugged into the semifinal match at full steam too, sporting an impressive 12-1 record this season.

No problem.

Lebanon Valley put up a good fight in the first game, but fell to the Generals, 15-10.

Sensing victory, W&L stormed out of the gates in the second game, and took an early advantage. But Lebanon Valley was not waving the surrender flag yet, as it fought back to grab a late 13-12 edge.

Once again, there was no problem, because it was now Cheryl Taurassi time.

The senior setter killed Lebanon Valley's momentum by forcing a sideout. She followed that up by serving an ace, enabling W&L to ease past with a 15-13 triumph, and a ticket to the finals.

Taurassi finished the Lebanon Valley match with 25 assists to go along with four aces. Sophomore middle blocker Hilary Martin was also a key factor with her eleven kills.

The Generals had lost in the finals of the W&L Invitational last year, but there would not be a repeat performance this year. After holding off Randolph-Macon, 15-11, in the first game of the finals, W&L cruised in the

second game, 15-5, to capture the tournament title.

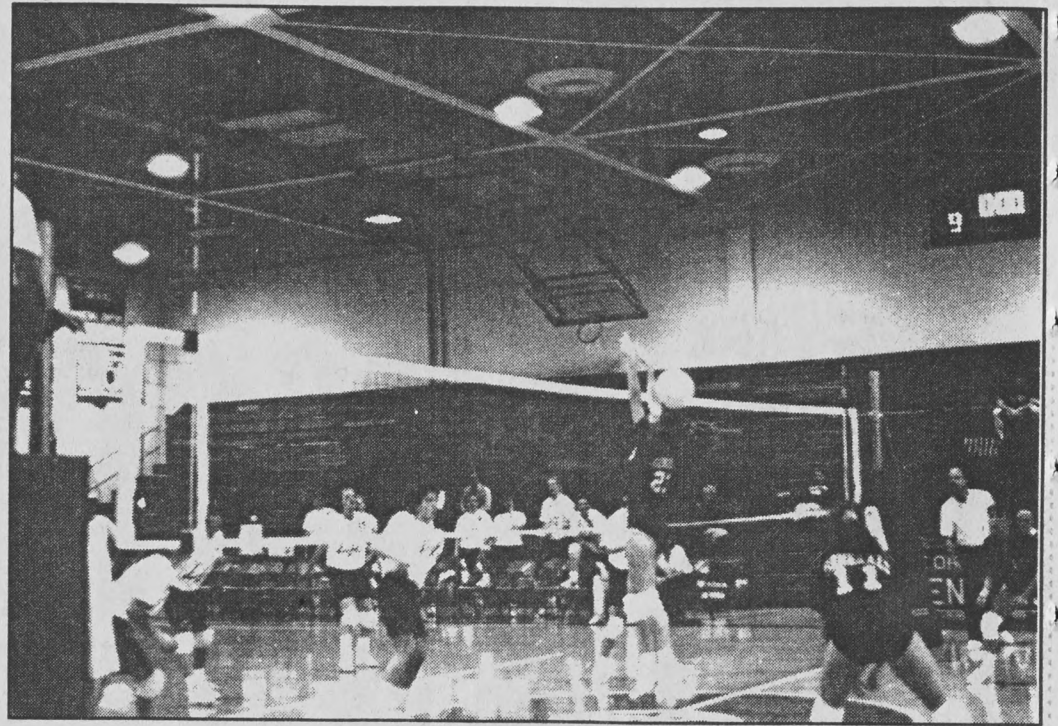
Martin again played a huge role in the victory, totalling up six kills. Sophomore outside hitter Rebecca Russell and junior middle blocker Virginia Yoerg each tacked on five kills.

Taurassi and Yoerg were both selected to the all-tournament team as a result of their efforts.

Yoerg was back in the spotlight on Tuesday night as the Generals hosted another Randolph-Macon squad. This time the opponent was Randolph-Macon Women's College, but it made little difference to Yoerg and the rest of her teammates, as they smashed RMWC, 15-11, 15-3, 15-1.

The junior blocked three shots, lifting her season total to 127, which crowns her as the all-time leader in blocks at Washington and Lee. Also, Yoerg, along with Martin, each added eight kills to their totals during the match.

The record-breaking victory gave W&L a perfect 7-0 overall



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The Generals are off to a record pace in 1995, winning eight straight games to begin the year. W&L hopes to overtake last season's nineteen win plateau.

record on the year, as well as its first ODAC win.

League victory number two came in Roanoke Thursday night, although it was the Generals' first struggle of the year.

W&L prevailed in five games, 15-12, 15-6, 15-15, 12-15, 15-11, to continue its record start to the

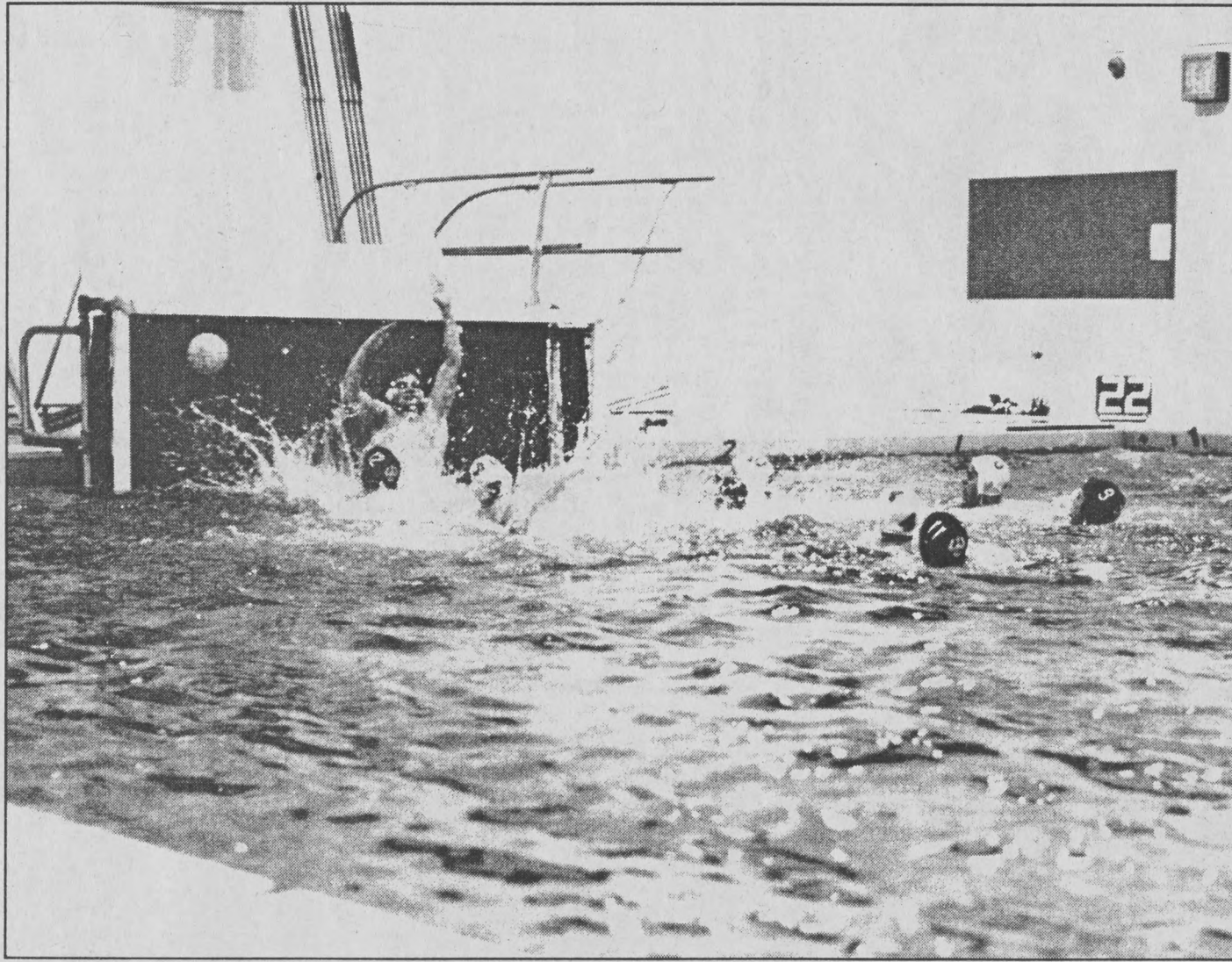
season at 8-0 overall.

Yoerg continued her defensive domination as she notched 20 kills, including the match-winner. Martin was on target again with 12 kills, four of those coming in the final game.

Taurassi piled up a season-high 35 assists during the match.

The senior also scored four aces to help the Generals survive.

With nine returning letterwinners from 1994, the Generals will continue their assault on last season's school-record nineteen victories when they embark on a journey up to Bridgewater on Wednesday.



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The Washington and Lee water polo team stunned Navy this weekend to push its season record to 7-1.

Men remain undefeated by blasting past E & H

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So far, the fall athletic squads at Washington and Lee have had a memorable season. To that end, the men's soccer team is looking to put itself one step ahead of everyone else.

With a 4-1 win over Emory and Henry on Tuesday, the Generals moved out to a 4-0 record—the team's best start since 1964.

In the game, freshman Sam Chase tallied a pair of goals for the second straight game as the

Generals rolled to victory. The most recent victims in this mini-winning streak have been Marymount University last Wednesday and Catholic University this past Saturday.

Against Catholic, the Generals played without sophomore starter Colin Connolly due to a red card against Marymount.

Following a 3-0 shutout of Marymount, a game in which Chase, junior Bill Sigler, and sophomore Gordon Meeker scored, the Generals struggled a little, letting in three goals in the Catholic game.

The offense more than picked up the slack, however, and burned the Catholic defense for five goals of its own to give the Generals a 5-3 win.

Once again Sam Chase led the way, picking up a pair of goals while sophomore Michael Germain and seniors Jeb Wofford and Chad Dobbins scored the other three goals for the Generals in the contest.

The W&L team next takes the field against Virginia Wesleyan on Saturday as they look to improve on a near-perfect beginning to the season.



Photo by Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

The men's soccer squad is off and running at 4-0 after three recent victories.

Generals beat ranked Navy in Richmond

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The Washington and Lee water polo team proved why they are a perennial east coast power as they turned in a 2-1 record at the Richmond Invitational.

Record aside, the keystone of the weekend was a 16-15 last-second upset over one of the top water polo squads on the east coast.

Navy led by one at 15-14 when junior James Silberstein was fouled in the hole with one second left on the clock. He then found senior Rich Cober outside the two point line.

Cober put the ball in the net and sealed the deal for the Washington and Lee squad.

For the game, however, junior Pete Sorenson was the catalyst. Sorenson racked up nine points in the contest, including three two point goals. For his offensive and defensive efforts on the weekend, Sorenson earned Athlete of the Week honors.

The only blotch on the weekend, and of the season thus far, was a 16-11 loss at the hands of host Richmond the following day.

The Generals responded to take the late contest against Johns Hopkins, 13-12.

In the game against Hopkins, Silberstein led the squad with five goals while Sorenson tallied two more.

In his first major water polo tournament, sophomore Jacob Garrett held his own, keeping the Generals close in all three games.

The 7-1 Washington and Lee squad next takes action as they host the Eastern Water Polo Association Tournament at Twombly Pool next weekend.

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Men's Cross Country:

The Generals had the benefit of playing on their home course last Saturday, and it paid off as W&L destroyed the competition in winning the W&L Invitational.

Six of the first eight runners across the line were Generals. Senior Brad Paye was the first to finish, capturing his first career victory in the process. Paye, who spent last year abroad, showed no ill-effects with a mark of 27:20.

The underclassmen who carried the Generals to an ODAC championship last season were right behind him. Sophomore Jason Callen finished second in a time of 27:46, and freshman Andy May dashed in fourth in 28:17, the best time of his career.

Sophomores Will Olson, Greg Ruthig, and Taylor Shultz, finished sixth, seventh, and eighth, respectively, for the Generals.

W&L travels to Carlisle, Pennsylvania, this weekend to participate in the Dickinson Open, a meet which the Generals finished second at last season.

Women's Cross Country:

Josephine Schaeffer wasn't at her personal best last weekend in the W&L Invitational. But then again, she didn't have to be.

The senior outran the other participants in a time of 19:03, which earned her first place by more than two and a half minutes. Led by Schaeffer, the Generals

placed third in the rain-drenched meet, trailing only Dickinson and Frostburg.

Sophomore Carson Flowers was the next General to cross the line, as she came in ninth. Freshman Greta Richter finished 15th, and senior Catherine Cardullo was next in 16th. It was Cardullo's best race ever.

W&L will get a chance for revenge this weekend against

to Guilford on Saturday, where they stopped a tough Quakers team, 4-1.

Keen and Bauman each notched goals in the first half to give W&L a 2-0 advantage. After Guilford got on the board early in the second half, freshman Karin Treese scored a goal, and Keen kicked home her second, as the Generals steamrolled away with the triumph.

The Generals next went to Hollins, where W&L scored a 2-0 whitewashing on Wednesday.

W&L gets its next chance to improve on its 4-1 record when they battle Randolph-Macon Women's College at home this coming Thursday.

Football:

The Generals will finally play their first home football game this Saturday, as they will attempt to stop Centre in the Hall of Fame Game at Wilson Field.

W&L fell to Centre last year in Danville, Kentucky, 17-0. The Generals trail the all-time series, 30-15-1, since the two teams' first meeting in 1897.

Four members will be inducted into the W&L Athletic Hall of Fame tonight. Football will have two representatives in the late Lee McLaughlin, the head coach from 1957-1967, and all-time leading receiver Tony Perry. Also entering will be swimming All-American Mike Bernot, and lacrosse All-American Sam Englehart.



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Women's soccer has dashed to a 4-1 mark.

Dickinson, when they both will compete in the Dickinson Open.

Women's Soccer:

The Generals capped off a strong week with two more victories to pad their record to 4-1. The Generals travelled down