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Wrestlers take 3rd in eight team W&L tournament

Sammy Brusca, Jesse Sataloff, and Anthony Boniello win their respective weight classes and two more Generals finish second. -- Page 6

A botched execution

Saddam is finally dead and buried, but his wild trial and rushed hanging mean that the tyrant will continue to trouble Iraq. -- Page 2

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Busta gets busted

One of rap's biggest names comes to W&L for a special Wednesday night concert

Busta needs these items in his dressing room before he performs:

12 new dark colored towels
12 new white towels
peanut butter and assorted jellies
working electrical outlets
catered jamaican food, including plantains
2 boxes of Lifestyles and Rough Riders condoms

By Kat Greene
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Despite his Dec. 26 arrest, Busta Rhymes will be performing at Washington and Lee this Wednesday.

Margo McClinton, who helped the General Activities Board plan the concert, said the incident was not significant enough to prevent Rhymes's performance Wednesday night.

"Even if you look at the case, it's not that big a deal," she said. "He's coming, and it's going to be a great time."

Rhymes, whose real name is Trevor Smith, turned himself in to the Manhattan police on Jan. 4. He was arrested and charged with misdemeanor assault and possession of knives and other weapons.

A former bodyguard has filed a police report that claims Rhymes hit him in the face when he came to collect some money he was owed.

Rhymes was released on $3500 bail, but his lawyer told MTV.com that the arrest was "payback" for Rhymes's refusal to cooperate with police in an assault case last August.

In that incident, police accused Rhymes of kicking a man in the head for spitting on his car. Police later found a machete in the backseat of Rhymes's car, but, according to Rhymes's lawyer, it was a fake machete used in the rapper's show.

Rhymes is the one of the biggest acts brought in by GAB. McClinton said that the group was "kind of shocked" when they found out they had booked him.

She said the group felt as though they were in "a little over our heads," but she credits the students involved with stepping up to prepare for the big performance.

John Allgood, who has led the operation to book Rhymes, said that everyone in the committee has a job to do to pull everything together.

"There are about a hundred different things that have to be done," he said. "It's a group effort."

The show, which is expected to sell out Wednesday, has already received a big response from the community.

A facebook flyer has helped get the word out. McClinton said she has even heard from local high school students who want to attend.

McClinton said that the genre change may be the major attraction for most students, who, she

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Still need tickets for the Busta Rhymes concert?

- Tickets can be purchased from the GAB website (gab.wlu.edu) or in the Commons during lunch.
- The cost is $20 for students and $30 for the general public.
- Doors open at 9 p.m. and the show begins at 10 p.m. on Wednesday.

Poet speaks on King

Speech by Sonia Sanchez caps a day of celebration and reflection

By Jacob Geiger
MANAGING EDITOR

A daylong celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s life concludes tonight with a speech in Lee Chapel by poet Sonia Sanchez.

Sanchez, who has written more than a dozen books of poetry, will speak at 7:30 p.m. There will be a candlelight march from Lee Chapel to Evans Hall after her speech.

Onyx Vice President Yvonne Coker said the Martin Luther King Day planning committee was impressed with Sanchez's accomplishments.

"We chose her because of her reputation within the Civil Rights Movement," Coker said, "and her association with the black arts movement."

Other members of the selection committee included Onyx President Cherrelle Moser, Quiana McKenzie of the Multicultural Student Association, E'Lon Cohen of the Joyful Noise gospel choir, Associate Dean of Students Tamara Futrell, and English professor Laura Brodie.

Sanchez, a native of Birmingham, Alabama, was born Wilsonia Benita Driver. She spent nearly 30 years in Harlem before moving to Philadelphia and teaching at Temple University from 1976-1999. She earned the 1985 American Book Award for her book "homegirls & handgrenades."

Sanchez has written about sexism, child abuse, and class conflicts. She often abandons formal English and writes in American black speech patterns.

Coker said Onyx and the MSA were trying to organize a community-oriented event for people of all ages.

"We want to bring the W&L, VMI, Lexington and even Rockbridge County communities together," Coker said.

To further involve the local community, Brodie worked with Futrell to organize a birthday party for Dr. King. The party was held this afternoon in the Commons. Brodie advertised the event in local elementary and preschools.

"The idea for an event came about from a group of community members, not just W&L folks," Brodie said. "Mostly it was parents wondering what to do with our kids on this day."

Though Brodie originally planned to host a small party, the event was switched to the Commons at the invitation of Futrell, who said W&L had both the resources and the space.

"We want young children to be introduced to Dr. King and the Civil Rights movement," Brodie said.

The party featured games and face painting organized by W&L students. It also, of course, had cake and ice cream.

Cyndi Atkins organized a poetry writing contest for middle school students. Atkins is a member of the English Department at Roanoke College and serves as the artistic director of the local Writers at Jordan House program.

Brodie said the contest was aimed at middle school students because Atkins thought most programs were focused on elementary or high school students.

95 area middle school students entered the contest, and three students were selected to read their poems before Sanchez's speech. Brodie said some local teachers made the contest part of a classroom assignment.

This evening's program will involve more than just Sanchez's speech and the poetry reading. A concert by Joyful Noise and African drumming are also planned.

Coker said she hopes Sanchez will share her memories of King.

"We're interested in hearing her perspective of the Civil Rights movements and [how it relates] to Dr. King's legacy."

Fraternity breakdown

Now that Tear Night is history and pledgeship is officially underway, here's a breakdown of how many pledges each fraternity will have. Phi Kap has the largest pledge class, and Pi Phi has the smallest.

Chi Psi	10	Pi Kappa Alpha	18
Kappa Alpha	10	Pi Kappa Phi	4
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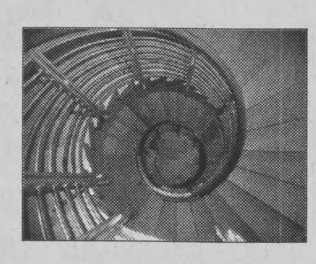

Saddam Hussein: dangerous dead

Saddam's trial, execution screw-ups increase instability

By Cody Beauchamp
COLUMNIST

The more the execution looked like a lynching, the more ammunition is given to the myth of Saddam.

I have a disturbing feeling that Saddam Hussein had the last laugh.

Sure, he's dead, executed by his enemies for the crime of mass murder. But in his trial and now execution, he may have gotten the death he wanted.

First, there was the travesty of his trial. To put it bluntly, the new Iraqi government dropped the ball lobbed to it by America.

In December 2003, the Provincial Authority made a poor decision when they decided to let the Iraqis try Hussein.

Certainly the people of Iraq deserved to see the man be brought to justice. They also deserved to take part in that justice.

But the judiciary set up by the new Iraqi government is untested at best and a downright mess at worst.

Throughout the trial, legal scholars and experts worldwide couldn't help but agree with Hussein's claims that his trial was fundamentally unjust.

Multiple lawyers were killed by insurgents attempting to disrupt the trial.

The first chief judge, Rizgar Mohammed Amin, resigned mid-trial complaining of government interference.

More lawyers were killed.

It was the kind of shabby affair that would be declared a mistrial and retried had it occurred in aUnited States court and had it occurred to anyone not named Saddam Hussein.

The problem with all of this isn't that Hussein never had a chance of escaping conviction.

He was a dead man from the moment the U.S. declared war on him.

Had he somehow been acquitted of the charges of his "Dujail Trial," he would have most assuredly been convicted in his "Anfal Trial."

If not with that trial, then any of the numerous other trials that could have been brought against him for torturing and killing his own people for decades.

The problem is, the fact that the trial wasn't done on the up-and-up undermines the Iraqi government's legitimacy.

To many Sunnis, it made the Shiite-controlled government look incapable of being just.

This is the kind of sentiment that will only feed the sectarian violence that is keeping Iraq from stability.

The Shiite and Kurd-filled Iraqi court system should have called the trial for what it was—a farce—and retried Hussein.

They should have shown the world that they weren't out for revenge for the decades of mistreatment under Hussein by taking their time and doing it right.

But they didn't.

The execution was also botched.

If you have the stomach, check out the videos of Hussein's hanging.

The witnesses jeered; the hangmen taunted.

And with the exception of one outburst (in which he cursed the "Persians," his Iranian enemies from the Iraq/Iran War), Hussein, to his credit, looked dignified and calm.

The aura he maintained throughout the affair actually—somewhat disturbingly—evokes sympathy.

If you could somehow Photoshop the face of a black man onto Hussein's, you would think the video was of a KKK lynching.

For shame.

The more the execution looked like a lynching, the more ammunition is given to the myth of Saddam Hussein.

There is a dangerous amount of room to view him as a martyr, something that is dangerous for Iraq's stability.

Sunni extremists can now fight on in the insurgency, sadly, with even more tenacity, believing (and actually having some legitimacy in these beliefs) that the Shiite government is incapable of actually dispensing fair justice.

Hussein most likely believed until his last moment alive that he was still the true leader of Iraq. He would have loved nothing more than to see the new Iraqi government's legitimacy questioned.

Thanks to the botched job, the lynching-esque air of his execution, Saddam got that last laugh.

staffeditorial

The week from hell is finished

With bids and balls, our identities are forged

Rush: Thank goodness it's over.

Everyone hates it, and now we can all get back to our lives.

In the past week, people have pushed themselves to the limit both physically and emotionally, just to make this momentous Greek event go off without a hitch—which, by the way, it never does—and for what?

Some people risked it all, really putting themselves out there, just to be rejected. Others put in investment-banking hours to help decorate, organize and plan each night.

Sure, rush can be very exciting, particularly because for many, it decides which letters you will wear for the rest of your college career (if not your life).

But those letters come at a high price.

Last week, friendships were both forged and destroyed, all because of these long-running traditions that so determine our way of understanding the social environment at this university.

People turned their backs on their actual friends in order to better affiliate themselves with Greek ones. People took it personally when their friends didn't choose their Greek organizations.

The organizations are meant to build bonds. But often they destroy more than they build.

And to what does all of this stress, all of this lost sleep and all of this pain amount?

A social structure that excludes more than it includes, divides more than it unites and, in general, perpetuates stereotypes so much that the casual use of them is acceptable, if not expected, in everyday conversation.

It has become so imprinted in the identity of the school and its students that its destruction is unthinkable—we can't live without it. We forget, when we arrive on campus, everything we've ever learned about accepting and appreciating our differences.

We put up boundaries that determine where we will eat lunch, throw parties, and sleep.

We decide, in the first year of college, with whom we will be friends for the rest of our college careers. This doesn't mean that we don't associate with people outside of our Greek organizations, or that we wouldn't have been friends with our pledge classes anyway. It just means that we have resigned ourselves to a group, an identity, to which we will be tied for four years or more.

In our search for self, we become so desperate to find a categorical identity that we assign ourselves to a group, regardless of its reputation. And in one tumultuous week, we sift through ideas about who we think we are and how we want to be identified and then make a decision.

We are defined, in many ways, by this one week. Thank goodness it's over.

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Marketplace segregation

Why is d-hall separated by race, origin, gender, and Greek organization?

By Abel S. Delgado
COLUMNIST

Does this seem fine to everyone else? It doesn't to me. I was just able to divide the dining hall by race.

I walk into the d-hall and have three distinct choices, and I'm not talking about what I eat. I'm talking about who I eat with. Why?

I could eat at what my friend calls the "black community table." I could eat with my "international friends," usually in the back table on the stage. I could eat with one of the many predominately or entirely white cliques that I happen to be friends with.

Of course this is not always the case. Some people in these groups I just mentioned regularly eat with people from the other groups, but that's an exception, not the rule. Why?

Does this seem fine to everyone else? It doesn't to me. I was just able to divide the dinning hall by race.

That's what they called segregation.

Before a preacher by the name of King came around, dining halls like ours were segregated, and it was condoned by the government. Now we have what I call "chosen segregation."

Now it's us, the people, who choose to segregate ourselves. I'm not blaming the white students. I'm not blaming the black students. I just want to know why.

Why is it that I have to choose?

They have told me it's like this everywhere. My college friends say their high schools were "diverse" but students tended to keep to "their own kind." It's not like this everywhere though. That wasn't the case where I'm from.

Back home, my choice of who I ate with had nothing to do with what someone looked like or where they were from. My lunch table back then had people with every skin pigment known to man.

I'm not going to pretend we were colorblind. There were race jokes, but we were comfortable enough to have them without getting offended.

We proved we weren't racist by embracing our differences and still not letting them divide us. We were all proud of who we were and sure enough of ourselves to not need to be surround by people who were just like us.

That's not the case here, and I don't get why. Why do I see plenty of tables of just guys and plenty of just girls, as if we were in kindergarten and we thought the other sex had cooties?

Why do I rarely see people of different Greek organizations sit together? Why is that I could say there is such thing as a black table and a white table?

I don't have answers, just questions. I expect we all need to come up with the answers.

'Seriously, what was the point of the civil rights movement? What's the point in W&L becoming co-ed if we still treat the other sex completely differently? What's the point in W&L recruiting minority students if they're going to be segregated, or segregate themselves?

Why do we bother? Does it just look nice to say we have women, we have minorities, we have international students, even if everyone just "sticks to their own kind?"

There is a reason why W&L wants to be diverse. Being exposed to diversity makes us more culturally aware, more well-rounded, and, yes, more intelligent.

It not only gives us a sense of what's around us but of who we truly are.

Boundaries like segregation don't keep other people out. They fence you in. Do we really want to be fenced?

I hear my class is doing a better job of desegregating. From what I've seen, freshman tables aren't as monochromatic as the rest. So we have hope.

So I want everyone who reads this, everyone who has the same problem I do with chosen segregation, to sit at a table you wouldn't normally sit at next time you got to d-hall. Why not?

CORRECTION: A PICTURE IN THE DECEMBER 4 ISSUE INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIED A W&L BASKETBALL PLAYER. THE PLAYER PICTURED WAS RYAN OWENS, NOT CRAIG SAUERS. THE PHI REGRETS THE ERROR.

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Leaders serve nation

Bonner students pledge to complete 900 hours of community service for partial tuition scholarship

By Jessica Shaw
ARTS & LIFE EDITOR

A number of Washington and Lee students actively participate each semester in service efforts to better the surrounding community. Even the most ambitious student, however, struggles balancing studies, social life, athletics, work and community service.

A Bonner Leader program has been implemented on campus to aid those ambitious students who have a passion for bettering the world.

Currently, there are 22 W&L Bonner Leaders on this campus who have committed themselves to two full years of service. These students underwent a rigorous application process and have pledged to complete 900 hours of volunteer work in these two years. On December, 13 new Bonner Leaders were appointed.

"I am very busy, but I was very attracted to the aspect and the idea that Bonner Leaders were about individuals who wanted to take the time out of their schedules to better themselves through serving others," sophomore Grace Andrews said.

Because of the time commitment, a scholarship has been awarded to these individuals to replace time that may have been dedicated to a part-time job. According to Bonner Leader Program Director Dr. Sandra Hayslette, W&L provides $2000, and AmeriCorps, the non-profit organization that helps fund tuition scholarships, gives each student $2300 after the completion of the 900 hours.

"It's often hard for students who have a lot of other obligations in their schedule to find time for service, especially if they are involved in work study," Hayslette said.

"A strong, steady commit to service where you're at the same agency for a long haul is so transformative."

Bonner Leaders have a lot of freedom in choosing the type of organization they want to volunteer with. Andrews said she wants to take advantage of her foreign language skills when she is doing service.

"I want to work somewhere where I could utilize my Spanish," she said. "I really want to work with immigrants and refugees. That's a way to have a global focus but work domestically. I want to specialize in the women and children as well, because those are the immigrants who usually come."

Sophomore Aisha Davis said she would also like to assist women and children.

"I would like to help women and children because as a whole, they seem to have the least amount of assistance," Davis said. "I feel like women and children have a harder time with securing a stable life."

Davis also said she had an interest in working with the elderly.

"I think that as a society, Americans mistreat their elderly," she said. "If we can't organize ourselves together to help out people who have put their lives into this country, I don't really see too bright of a future for our country."

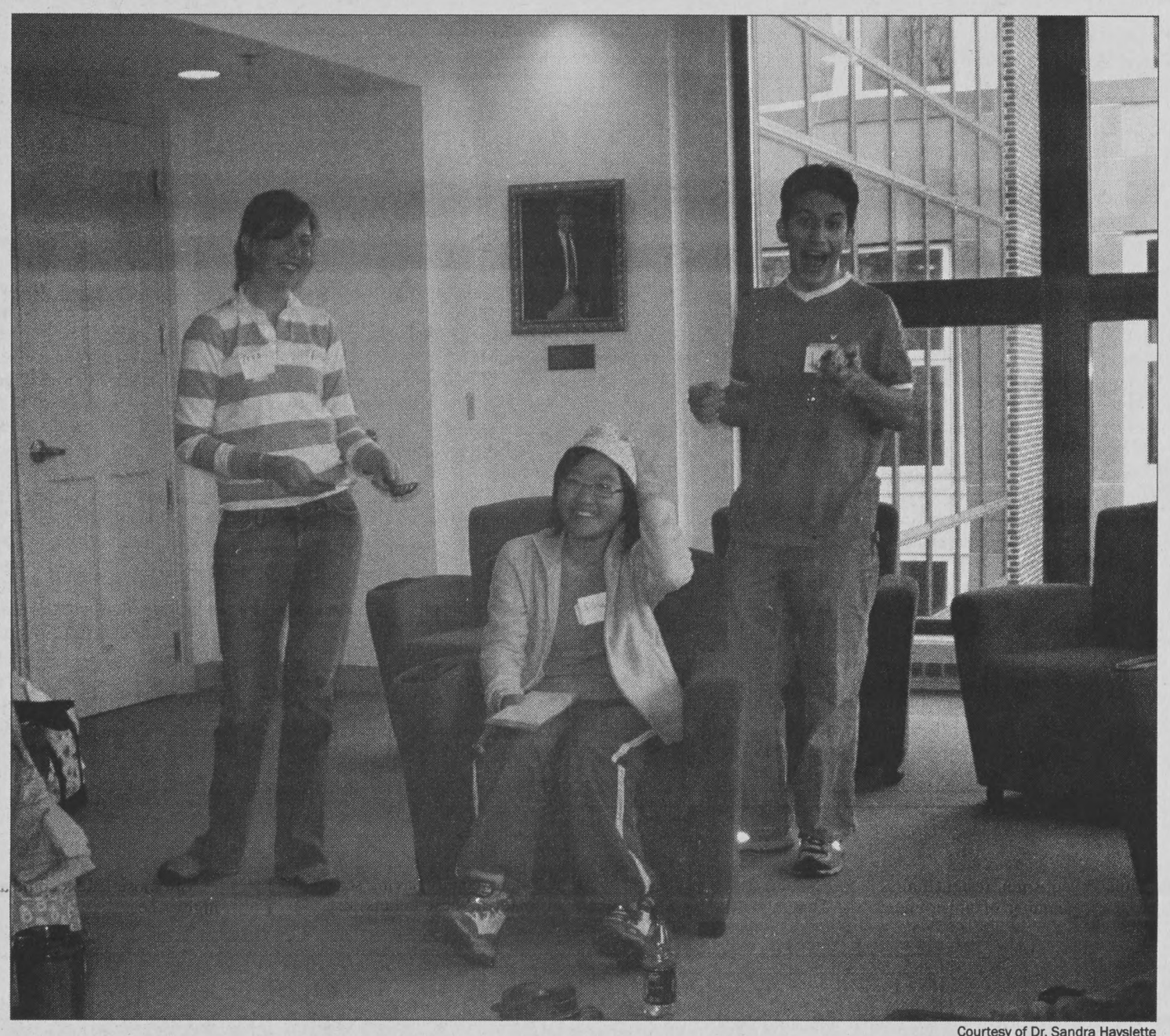
According to Hayslette, even though the interview process is quite strenuous, the variety of talents and personalities that a Bonner Leader displays are diverse.

"I think we are looking for people who seem ready for challenge, who seem ready to take on that project of finding a way to make a lasting difference," Hayslette said.

"They already caught the bug. They already know that doing community service is transformative for themselves, and it's addictive."

Hayslette emphasized the difference between temporary volunteer work and the Bonner Leader program. She said that these students are learning about themselves and how they can be forces for permanent change in society.

"You do help other people," Andrews said. "That is the goal, but I think it's also about the experiences and what you can learn from them. I think that a lot of times, people approach volunteer work and service in the manner that they are going to help them, as if these people need you. But I think what Bonner is trying to do is to create a relationship where both parties need each other."



Courtesy of Dr. Sandra Hayslette

Freshmen Jessica Bunnell, Silvia Lam Sing Cheng and James Dick bond at the Bonner Leader Orientation on Jan. 5-7. These are three of the new 13 Bonner Leaders that were appointed last December.

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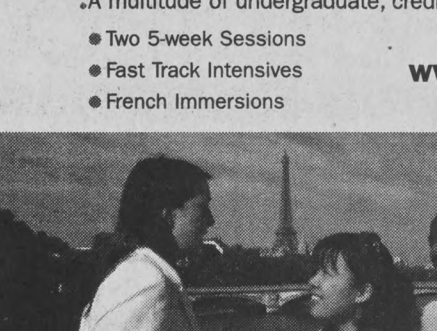

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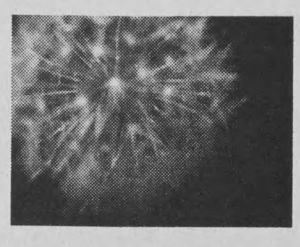

Seasonal gifts of love

Students, Greek organizations donate time, presents to charities around Rockbridge County before winter break

By Lara Jordan
STAFF WRITER

While Washington and Lee students got ready to celebrate the holidays with friends and family last month, plenty of them took time out to help others.

Groups like Students for Life and Nabors Service League helped out those in need this December by participating in projects that adopted families and promoting the purchasing of gifts for those in need.

"W&L Students for Life 'adopted' newborn babies and their parents this Christmas," said Students for Life President Jameson Graber.

"We [were] given a gift list from Comfort Care Women's Health [a pregnancy center in Staunton], and we delivered those gifts to Staunton."

The third annual adoption drive began Dec. 4 and continued through the end of exam week.

Students for Life set up a tree in the Commons with a list of things to buy for anyone who wanted to get involved.

"The reason we help pregnancy centers is to promote the dignity of human life," Graber said.

"Because our club is against such practices as abortion and euthanasia that devalue human life, our natural response is to support compassionate alternatives to these practices. By helping the pregnancy center in Staunton, we are making it easier for parents in our community to choose life by making it less of a burden to have children."

Nabors Service League celebrated Christmas Weekend by sponsoring a "service Saturday" on Dec. 2 at the Stonewall Jackson House for their annual "Christmas Remembered" event.

The event brought local children to the house in order to make crafts.

Will Waller, a member of Nabors, said the event had a strong turnout.

"We were looking for 15 volunteers, but a consortium of individuals from around the community was involved including students from Southern Virginia University," Waller said.

> *"Much to my delight, I received an overwhelming response from organizations and individuals."*
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> **MACKENZIE BROWN, nabors service league**

Nabors also helped out by setting up a sign up for students to sponsor a child for the holiday season.

Mackenzie Brown, another member of the service league, helped Nabors begin the sponsoring program through her involvement as a volunteer in Glasgow Head Start last semester.

"Last year, several fraternities and sororities sponsored the children [at Head Start] for Christmas, and Head Start was trying to get sponsors again this year," Brown said.

"Since I am on the Nabors Contact committee and have Greek affiliations, I offered to help them get into contact with people at W&L. Much to my delight, I received an overwhelming response from organizations and individuals, so much so that I had roughly 30 more volunteers than children at the Head Start."

According to W&L Service Learning Coordinator Aubrey Shinofield, a variety of other campus groups sponsored families. A fraternity, a sorority, three sports teams, and at least four to five dorm halls sponsored different families through the county-wide Department of Social Services.

During exam week Phi Gamma Delta fraternity went to a book fair at Effinger Elementary School. The fraternity members paired off with children and helped each child pick out books.

Junior Andrew Friski got into the act by wearing the book fair's Clifford the Big Red Dog costume.

"The response on campus was really generous and overwhelming, and for a while, I had more people that offered to donate than I had families and kids that had requested sponsors," said Shinofield.

She also said that donations from different dorms were used to buy both toys and necessities for children involved in local Head Start Programs.

"We provided 13 coats for kids at area Head Starts and Christmas presents for the kids at the Glasgow Head Start," Shinofield said.

"I think we ended up being able to buy presents for seven or eight different families. We will also be able to provide some new toys for the Waddell Head Start through Christmas donations collected from other dorm halls."

how to get involved:

- To receive e-mails about Nabors Service League opportunities, complete volunteer profile on NSL website.
- To volunteer at Campus Kitchens Project, see schedule on Campus Kitchens website or e-mail them at washingtonandlee@campuskitchens.org
- Participate n the Up 'Til Dawn letter-writing ceremony in Evans Dining Hall on Jan. 23 from 7-10 p.m.

Planners expect sold out concert

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said, are "stereotypically preppy."

"People are hip," she said, "and they like a whole lot of [music]. It's fun to mix it up sometimes."

Allgood said that the group had been looking outside of their usual jam band genre. "We wanted to expose everyone to something different," he said.

"The cool thing is," McClinton said, "[Busta Rhymes is] a huge icon. He's been in the business for 15 or 20 years now."

But with that iconic status comes needs. Rhymes submitted a three-page long list of things he needs in his dressing room and stage area. Included on the list are catered Jamaican food and 2 boxes of condoms.

"His needs are what you'd expect for an act in his price range," said Allgood. "It's very doable."

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> **MARGO MCCLINTON, General Activities Board advisor**

While he's here on campus, Rhymes may speak before an African American philosophy class taught by Bernard Jackson, but his availability is still unknown.

Campus reaction to the impending performance has also been very positive. McClinton said that T-shirts, created for the show by Quiana McKenzie, sold out in two days.

The shirts are red with black writing that says "Touch It, [the name of a popular Busta Rhymes song]," along with the date of the show.

The hip-hop group Bassline will perform before Rhymes.

A freestyle rap battle is also scheduled. The entry fee is $10 and participants should be at the Pavilion by 8 p.m.

News of Rhymes's arrest has not deterred ticket sales in the past week, and McClinton said that she expects even more sales now that rush is over.

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Men's Swimming

The Washington and Lee men's swimming team defeated Wingate University on Saturday morning, 148-114. Junior Tim McGlaston set three pool records in the event. McGlaston won the 50 freestyle in a time of 21.33, setting a pool record. He also set a pool record in the 100 freestyle with a time of 48.01. McGlaston teamed with seniors Ben Accinelli and Max Pike, and sophomore Chris Diebold in setting a pool-record time of 1:29.26. Senior Mike Ginder won the 100 backstroke in a pool-record time of 53.52. Ginder also captured the 200 back in a time of 1:57.92. Ginder led off the other victorious 200 free relay time, teaming with freshmen Josh Gonzalez and Brandon Barnds and sophomore Brett Tatman. Ginder, McGlaston, Hayes, and Accinelli combined to place second in the 200 yard medley relay for the Generals. The Generals had a one, two, three sweep in the 200 yard freestyle. Sophomores Paul Crook, Tatman, and Diebold finished in the top three spots for the Generals. The Generals captured spots two through four for in the 400 yard IM. Will Hartmann placed second in a time of 4:22.39, Hayes placed third in a time of 4:22.78, and freshman Winston Stagg placed fourth with a time of 4:23.36. The Generals return to action on Jan. 26 when they travel to Marymount for a 7:00 p.m. dual meet.

Women's Swimming

The Washington and Lee women's swimming team suffered a tough loss at the hands of Wingate University on Saturday. The Generals lost by a score of 168-93. Washington and Lee was paced by sophomore Lindsey Strachan, who captured the 200 yard backstroke in a time of 2:12:48. Strachan then teamed with sophomore Susan Mahoney, junior Amy Roberson, and freshman Jenna Worsham for a second place finish in the 200 yard medley relay in a time of 1:55.68. Strachan also placed second in the 100 backstroke. In other events, sophomore Jess Shaw and junior Danielle Cardone placed second and third respectively for the Generals in the 1000 yard freestyle event, and freshman Sarah Simpson took second place in the 200 yard freestyle for the Generals. Simpson touched the wall in a time of 2:02:80. Mahoney and senior captain Abbie Sauter finished third and fourth respectively for the Generals in the 100 yard breaststroke, while junior Colette Moryan and sophomore Julianne Miata touched the wall in third and fourth place for the Generals in the 200 yard butterfly. Mahoney finished second in the 400 yard IM for Washington and Lee in a time of 4:50.21. The Generals return to action on Jan. 26 when they travel to Marymount for a 7:00 p.m. dual meet.break.

Wrestlers pin opponents

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season with a series of different tournaments, and now will be moving out to dual meets against conference opponents in the latter half of their season.

This tournament was a great test to see where the Generals stood within their conference.

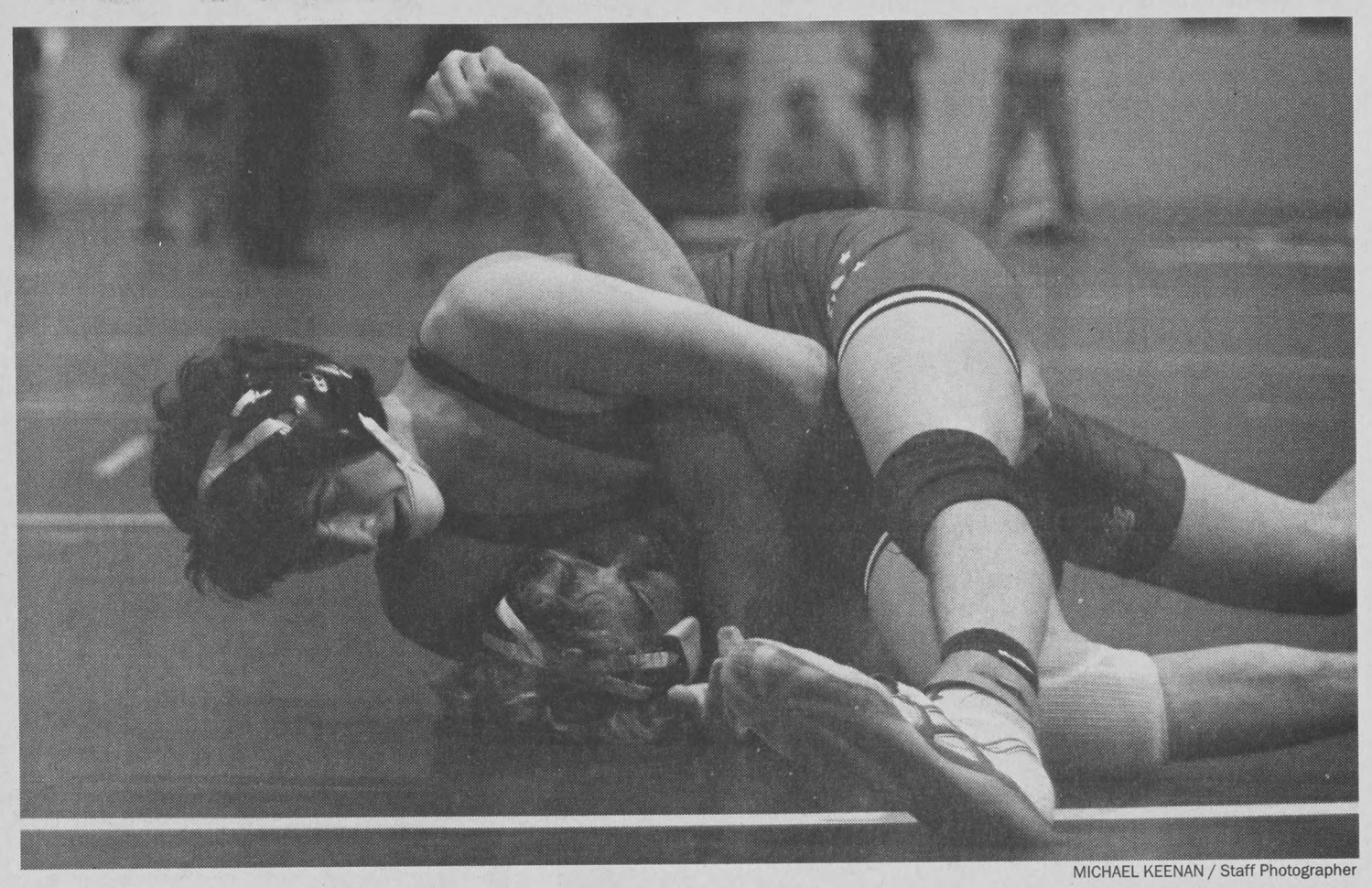
Boniello said, "Mulhenberg and Scranton have pretty competitive teams so have them there gave us gage of how we're going to go in conference play."

Washington and Jefferson had defeated the Generals last week, so this tournament was proved to be sweet revenge for the Generals, as W&J finished in fifth place while the Generals finished third.

Boniello said that one of the Generals great strengths was their experience.

"The past two years we were considered a very young team. We mainly had the current junior year class. Now we have a full line up of freshmen and sophomores. Max is now a senior. So experience is one of our greatest strengths."

The Generals return to the mats on Saturday when they participate in the Merchant Marines Tournament in New York.



MICHAEL KEENAN / Staff Photographer

Sam Brusca gets ready to pin his opponent at this weekend's W&L Tournament. Brusca won the 125-pound weight class, pinning his opponent in the finals.

Men take Holiday Title

Men's basketball defeats Roanoke and Emory and Henry in title run

By Brian Devine
STAFF WRITER

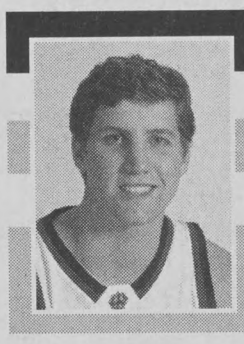
While most Washington & Lee students spent their holiday breaks far from campus, the Generals men's basketball team welcomed three teams to the Warner Center for the W&L Tournament. Since winning that event decisively with victories over King's Point and Emory, the Generals have continued their up-and-down season. They now stand at 7-4, having lost at Roanoke 68-64 on the 6th of January and defeated Bridgewater 81-74 on the road one week later.

The team's recent success has been lead by junior forward Greg Bienemann, who has notched at least 13 points in every game this year and has lead the team in scoring and rebounding in their last five games. Bienemann was named Most Valuable Player of the W&L Tournament for his impressive displays against King's Point (14 points, 6 rebounds) and Emory (28 points, 11-of-14 from the floor).

Though Bienemann's performances have stood out, the team's play as a whole has risen since losing to Virginia Wesleyan on the 3rd of December. Since then, the Generals are 4-1, with the game at Roanoke their only loss. That contest was a back-and-forth affair, featuring poor shooting from both teams. Roanoke was paced by Curtis Peery, whose double-double (18 points, 12 rebounds) helped the Maroons make up a 10-point deficit in the last four minutes of the first half. The lead continued to change hands in the second half, until Roanoke pulled ahead 60-56 with ninety seconds left. From then, the Generals were forced to foul to stop the clock, and Roanoke's success at the charity stripe (26 of 39) proved decisive.

Against Bridgewater it was the Generals whose shooting proved superior. They hit 27 of 41 shots from the field. Again led by Bienemann (26 points, six rebounds) and fellow junior forward Femi Kusimo (21 points, a career high), the Generals never trailed in the game. The Eagles did make it close in the fourth quarter but the Generals, like Roanoke a week before, were deadly from the foul line in the clutch, making 9 of 12 in the final 1:51 of play to seal the victory. The win over the Eagles snapped a 21-game losing streak in ODAC road games, a string of losses dating back to February of 2004.

This week the Generals will try to continue their recent success against ODAC opposition, hosting Emory & Henry on Wednesday before traveling to the second-ranked Hampden-Sydney Tigers at the week's end.



GREG BIENEMANN, Junior

20.7 point per game

6.7 rebounds per game

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Men's Basketball			vs E&H 7:00pm			at H-SC 4:00pm	at L'Burg 3:00pm
Women's Basketball	vs R-MC 7:00pm			vs MBC 7:00pm		vs B'Water 2:00pm	

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Pool record setting time recorded by junior swimmer Tim McGlaston in the 50 freestyle for the Washington and Lee men's swimming team. McGlaston also set a pool record in winning the 100 freestyle and was a part of one of W&L's two 200 free relays that tied for first place in a pool-record setting time. Washington and Lee defeated Wingate University 148-114.

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Number of rebounds pulled in by the Washington and Lee women's basketball team, setting a new school record. The Generals notched the stat on Saturday afternoon against Randolph-Macon Women's College. The Generals also recorded 41 offensive boards. Washington and Lee defeated Randolph-Man Women's College by a score of 73-49.

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Numbers of Wrestler's on the Washington and Lee wrestling team that won the championship in their weight class. Freshman Sam Brusca won the 125-pound weight class, junior 165-pounder Anthony Boniello won his weight class, and junior Jesse Sataloff claimed the championship in the 174-pound weight bracket. Junior Dave Shubick and sophomore Rob Terrin placed second in their weight classes.

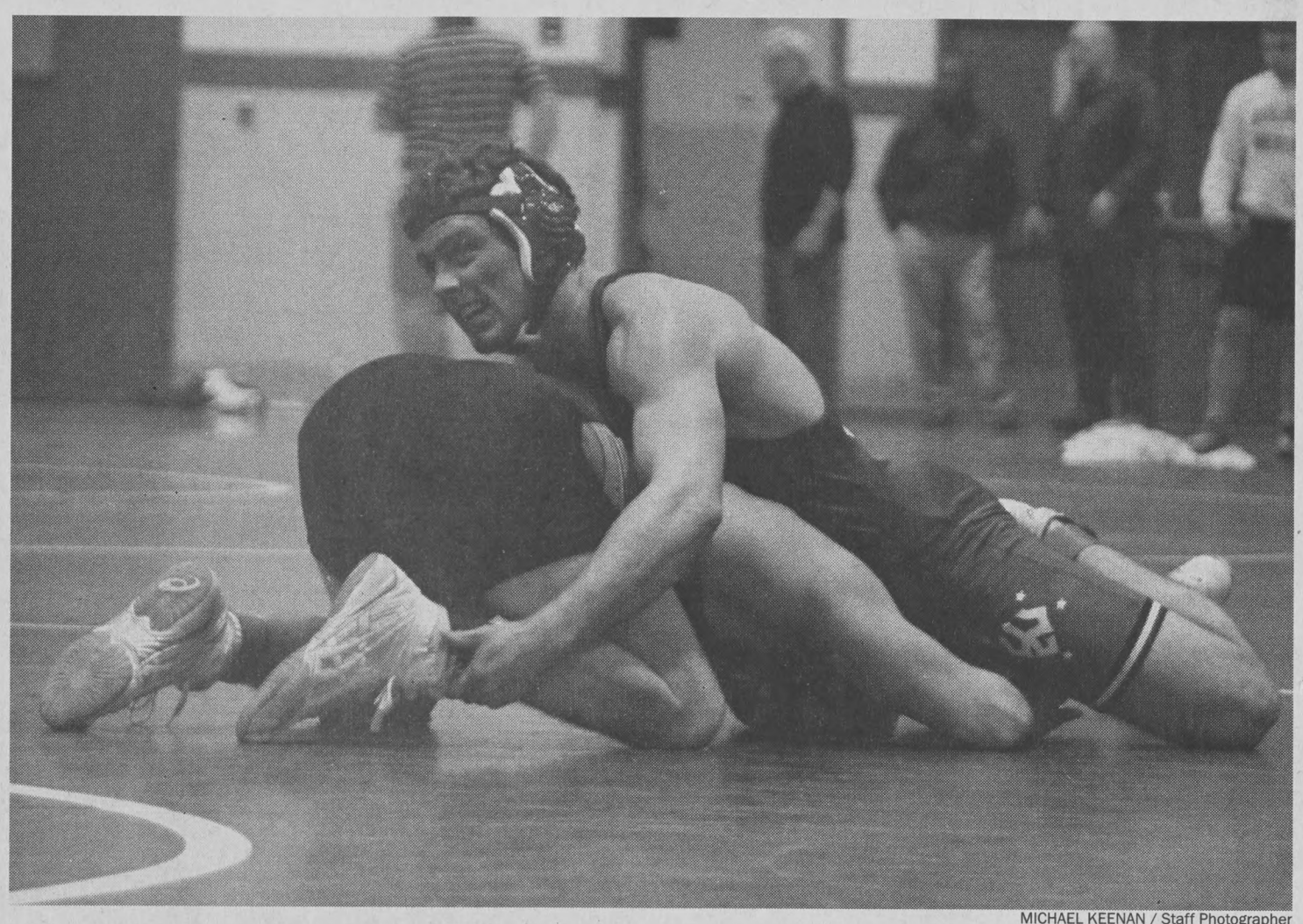
soapbox

"So he can watch me in playoffs. "

– Chargers LB Shawe Merriman on why he sent Dolphins DE Jason Taylor, who said Merriman shouldn't make the Pro Bowl because she was suspended for taking steroids, a bag of popcorn. From SI.com

"I had an absolutely wonderful career that I am very proud of. I'm not in control of what happens -- I was in control of hitting the ball."

--Mark McGwire's reaction after coming in 9th in Hall of Fame ballots. McGwire has faced scrutiny for steriod use in the recent past, which many speculate is the reason why he was not selected for the hall of fame. From SI.com



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Anthony Boniello wrestles an opponent at the W&L Tournament. Boniello took the title in the 165-weight division.

All jacked up

Wrestlers take third place at W&L Tournament as three Generals win titles in their weight classes and two wrestlers take lose in the championship match

By Mike Fahey
SPORTS EDITOR

The Washington and Lee wrestling team placed third out of eight teams at the W&L Tournament held on Saturday at the Warner Center.

Muhlenberg won the team title with 86 points, followed by Johns Hopkins with 77.5 points, and W&L with 75.5 points.

The Generals were very pleased with their performance. Junior wrestler Anthony Boniello said,"As a team we wrestled very well. We were only a couple points behind first place. The competition has definitely gone up since last year."

Three Generals won their weight classes, while two lost in the championship match of their weight classes.

Junior Adam Hockensmith was very pleased with the team's performance at the tournament. He said, "I thought we wrestled well. We could have wrestled better. Sam Brusca really stepped up. He was down in his match, and he came back with a really good chin whip and pinned his guy."

Freshman Sam Brusca was undefeated going 2-0 overall to win the championship in the 125-pound weight class. Brusca pinned Muhlenberg's Mike Tenenhaus in the championship match, 4:28 into the match.

Hockensmith added, "[Brusca's victory'] was a big win for the team."

Junior 165-pounder Anthony Boniello also went 2-0 overall to capture the title in his weight class. Boniello downed Scranton's Steve Tatum in the finals of the 165-pound weight class by a score of 3-1.

Junior Jesse Sataloff claimed the championship of the 174-pound bracket by winning a total of three matches, including an 11-2 decision in the championship match.

Junior David Shubick fell to a Muhlenberg wrestler ranked in the top 10 nationally in the championship match of the 133-pound weight class, while sophomore Rob Terrin was defeated in the championship match of the 141-pound bracket by a wrestler from Johns Hopkins.

The Generals have started the

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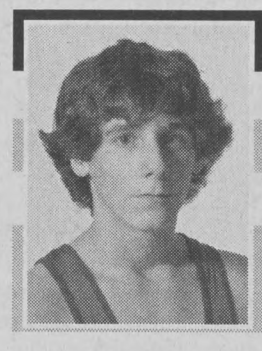

SAM BRUSCA, Freshman

2-0 record for the tournament

Champion 125-pound weight class

Pinned opponent 4:28 into the championship match of weight class

Winning Weekend for Bball

Women's basketball sets new school records for rebounds in one game

By Mike Fahey
SPORTS EDITOR

The Washington and Lee women's basketball team won two ODAC contests over the weekend, besting Lynchburg College on Friday evening and Randolph-Macon Women's College on Saturday afternoon.

On Friday, the Generals ended a six-game losing streak with a 76-68 overtime victory over Lynchburg College.

Lynchburg had a two point advantage at halftime, and then held a 40-32 lead with less then 14 minutes remaining in regulation. However, the Generals countered with an 18-2 run over the next five minutes to take a 50-42 lead with a little over nine minutes remaining.

W&L held the lead for nearly the remainder of regulation time, until Lynchburg nailed a three-pointer with 10 seconds left to tie the game at 62-62. The extra session belonged to the Generals from the start as senior forward Jessica Hunsinger gave W&L the lead on a lay-up just 35 seconds into overtime. The Generals never trailed again.

The Generals were paced by junior forward Kristen Krouchick, who notched a season-high 20 points and grabbed a career-high 13 rebounds. Sophomore guard Bethany Ridenhour posted a career-high 20 points and four assists, and junior guard Emily Wolff contributed 13 points. Hunsinger added 10 points, seven rebounds, four blocks and three steals.

The Generals then set a school record when they grabbed 75 rebounds, including 41 offensive boards, in defeating Randolph-Macon Women's College 73-49 on Saturday afternoon.

The Generals broke the game open with a 16-6 run midway through the first quarter which helped them to take a 10-point lead into the break. The lead remained at 10 points with a little over 12 minutes left in the game, but another W&L run, this time a 21-4 spurt over 10 minutes gave the Generals a commanding 27-point lead with two minutes left in the game.

W&L had a 75-21 overall advantage in rebounds and had three players record a double-double in points and rebounds. Freshman center Kaitlyn Kamp led the way with career-highs in both points and rebounds. Kamp notched 15 points and added 13 rebounds. Krouchick tallied 14 points and 10 boards, while Hunsinger had 10 points and 13 rebounds. Ridenhour was a fourth Generals to score double figures as she accounted for 10 points and six rebounds.

The Generals have had a great start to their season, behind the strong play of Krouchick and Hunsinger. They have also had great contributions from Ridenhour and Wolff.

Washington and Lee improved their record to 5-7 overall. Washington and Lee returns to action on Tuesday as it hosts Randolph-Macon for a 7:00 pm contest at the Warner Center.

KRISTIN KROUCHICK, Junior

Lynchburg:

20 points and career high 13 rebounds

Randolph-Macon Women's College:

14 points and 10 rebounds