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Weekend Weather

FRIDAY: Snow, four to six inches, highs in the 30s, lows in mid 20s
SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy, highs in the 30s
SUNDAY: highs in the teens to the 20s

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Thompson missed by W&L community

By DANIELLE BURGHARDT
AND DARCEY LIVINGSTON
Phi Staff Writers

Friends, faculty, and administrators thought of him highly:

"He was a great guy."
"He was the sweetest guy."
"He was marked for success."

Washington and Lee senior David C. Thompson died Sunday following a single-car accident near Collierstown.

The accident occurred around 2:30 that morning on Route 251.

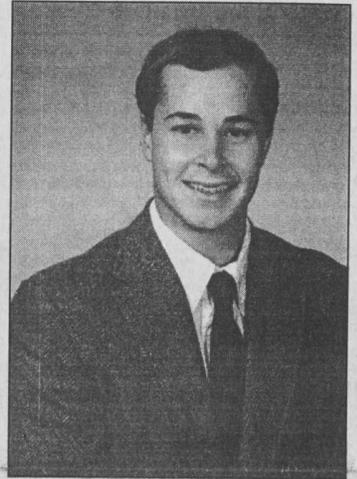
Thompson was taken to Stonewall Jackson Hospital in Lexington.

After his condition was stabilized, he was flown to Roanoke Memorial Hospital. He died there at approximately 6:15 a.m.

State Trooper R.J. Noe said Thompson was driving at 70-75 miles per hour when he veered off the road and into a field. Thompson was thrown from his vehicle when it hit a tree. He was not wearing a seatbelt.

Trooper Noe said when he arrived on the scene, he smelled alcohol on Thompson's breath.

Although officials believe Thompson



today. He expects most of the 90 spaces to be filled by Thompson's former lacrosse teammates and members of his fraternity, Beta Theta Pi.

Thompson, whose home was in Hunt Valley, Md., was a 3-time letter winner as a midfielder on the W&L lacrosse team.

"Thompson's impact on the lacrosse team went far beyond the lacrosse field," said Head Lacrosse Coach Jim Stagnitta.

According to Stagnitta, Thompson contributed not only athletic ability, but team spirit as well.

Thompson received the W&L Scholar-Athlete award last fall for his 3.5 grade point average.

"It was his best academic performance since he had been at W&L," said Dean Howison.

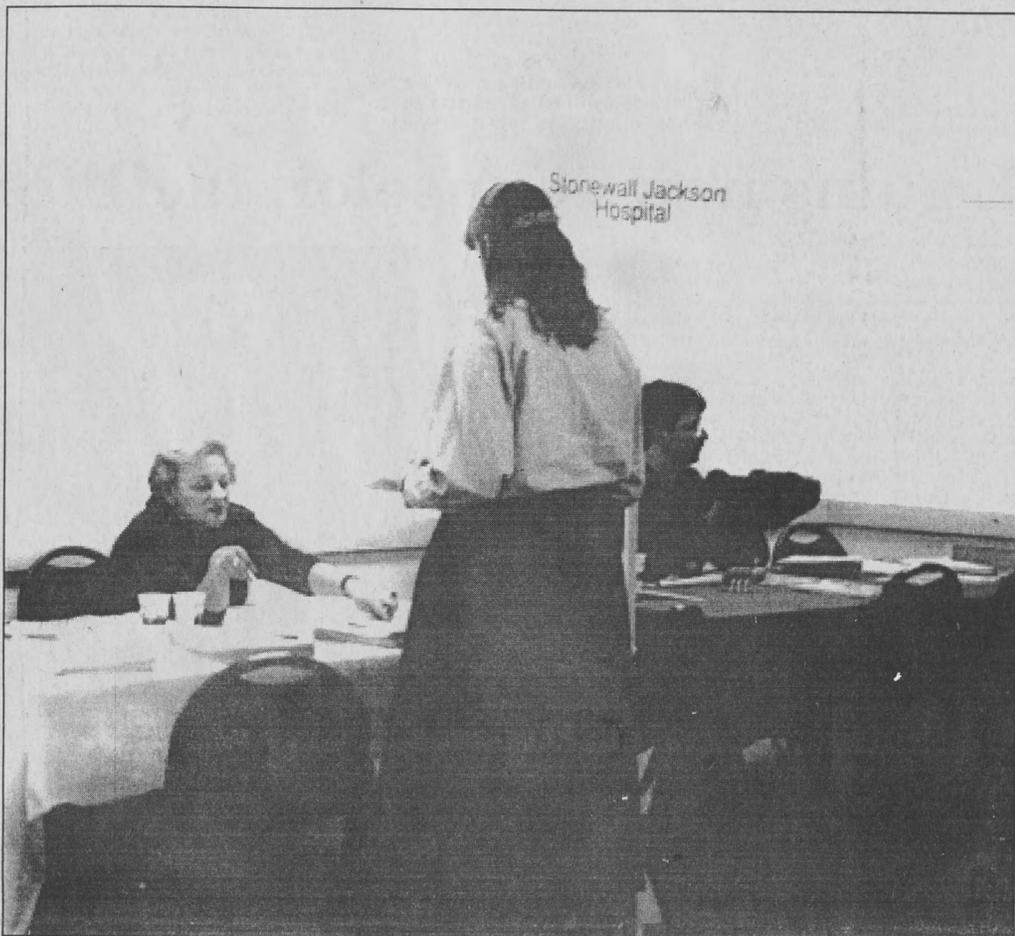
"He radiated good humor and good will to others and he always seemed in a cheerful mood," said J. Davis Futch, professor of history. "He appeared to be the friendliest student in school."

An announcement is expected Monday about a university memorial service for Thompson. Dean Howison said it should take place in Lee Chapel sometime next week.

Thompson is survived by his mother, Elizabeth Thompson of Hunt Valley; his father, David Thompson of Baltimore; and his brother, James Thompson of Hunt Valley.

Thompson had a bright future ahead of him, said Futch.

"If any student was ever marked for success, it was he," he said. "David was the kind of son every family hopes to have."



Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

They've got that volunteer spirit!

Local volunteer organizations looked for W&L students to help their causes at the Volunteer Fair. The Fair was sponsored by several W&L organizations, and was held in the University Center Wednesday.

Burke stresses Greek responsibility in speech

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Associate Editor

In an increasingly litigious society, fraternities and sororities are being stuck with the image of being drinking clubs, said Timothy Burke, an expert on fraternal law and a legal representative for two W&L national sororities, in a speech Tuesday night in Lee Chapel. Burke's visit was sponsored by both Panhellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council.

The negative image that fraternities and sororities have presently is not the image that W&L fraternities and sororities want to have for their Greek life, he said.

He said in laws against drunk driving are tightening because of the efforts by organizations such as MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) and SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving).

"All of your national fraternities and sororities have encouraged risk management," he said, "and not just to eliminate liability but also to eliminate injury."

He said fraternities and sororities should start with the premise that under Virginia state law no one under 21 can be served alcohol to have effective risk management. If Greek organizations don't start with that premise, they will not have insurance companies willing to defend them in case of a serious incident.

He also argued that hazing has no place in the proper conduct of a Greek organization. Thirty-eight states have prohibited hazing as a statutory law.

Hazing does not move the fraternity movement forward, and it does not promote brotherhood or sisterhood.

"Thankfully, national fraternities and sororities recognize that message, but it doesn't always get down to the local chapters," he said. "No physical punishment should be part of the initiation for your brothers and sisters."

He said fraternities and sororities can't manage the risks of hazing. They simply don't haze. He urged fraternity and sorority leaders to make clear to their members and pledges that hazing is not tolerated or condoned and stand by it.

He cited a definition of hazing by Robert Keith, Greek advisor of Ohio Wesleyan University, which is in the form of six questions: Will the activity achieve its predetermined purpose? Could you tell the chapter president about the activity? Would you be willing to perform the activity before an administrator? Would you be willing to send parents a snapshot of the activity? Would you be able to defend it in court? Would you share this activity with other chapters during a national conference of fraternities?

Burke said if the answer to one or all of these questions is no, then the activity is hazing. Fraternities and sororities should also protect against sexual abuse, he said. Laws have been strengthened to prevent sexual abuse in the workplace and on campus.

"The fraternity that condones getting a freshman woman liquored up so that the upperclassman can get her to their room is wrong," he said. "Women's groups need to stand up to men's groups and demand that they attend parties where they will be respected."

With a resurgence of fraternities and sororities on American campuses, there has been an increased recognition of the bad things that occur in Greek organizations, Burke said. If fraternities and sororities work well, they can provide its members with leadership skills, connections, and personal development. To achieve this, fraternity and sorority members must stand against those practices that may be considered tradition but are in fact legally and morally wrong.

"Stopping these things will make your fraternities and sororities better for it."

Benefit concert soon to rock the Lenfest Center

By SARA MCCRONE
Phi Staff Writer

The Hill will be alive with the sound of music on Feb. 3 for the sixth annual One Acoustic Evening benefit concert held at the Lenfest Center at 7:30 p.m.

The event will feature W&L students, faculty, and alumni, as well as some members of the Lexington community. The proceeds from the \$5 admission will fund two alternative spring break projects, Bridges To Community's trip to Nicaragua in February and "Christmas in April," sponsored by Total Action Against Poverty and Catholic Campus Ministry.

The performers include W&L seniors Brian Boland and Tommy Esposito joined by freshman Chris Edwards, W&L law professor and guitarist Alan Ides, and W&L third year law student and soprano Alison Pilgrim.

Another student group, Fifth Beat, which features Tom Leggett, Todd Bryan, and David Olympio, plans to play modern jazz arrangements. Leggett will also collaborate with W&L junior and poet Aaron Wilkinson in performing original compositions.

A three-year veteran of Lime Kiln musicals, Chris Leva '86 will perform original folk and reggae arrangements, and the Greenhouse Defect and Stringdusters are also slated to share their musical talents with the audience. In addition, students who frequent Lexington's Night Owl Music will be pleased to recognize owner Wayne Raynal on stage for his debut performance of original compositions.

McGraw Gap, winner of Telluride's 1995 Bluegrass and Country Music Festival Best Bluegrass Band, Best Guitarist (Larry Keel), Best Mandolin (Daniel Knicely), and Third Best Banjo (Will Lee), will also perform on Saturday night. The group, which is recording its first CD in the next month, has been the opening act for such performers as Bill Monroe, the Country Gentlemen, Eddie Adcock, and Leftover Salmon.

In addition, Blind Lemon Phillips will present his "...grand mixture of musical styles and influences ranging from the blues to rock to folk to avant-garde, all delivered with an enthusiastic blend of humor and wit" (Jerry Harris, *The News Gazette*).

Mock Con site gaining prestige

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

The Steering Committee's original idea for the Mock Convention home page wasn't quite as ambitious as Mark Tobias'.

"At first all they wanted was just the logo," said Tobias, reator of the home page. "I thought we could do a lot more with it."

Tobias' vision has turned into a nationally recognized 50 page-long web site of candidates, issues, and links to other web-sites and newsgroups.

Tobias divided the page into different sections including coming speakers, platforms, state by state analyses, political publications, and donations to Mock Con.

"I thought about what I wanted to learn, and what I thought other people would want to learn from it," Tobias said.

He estimates that he has spent between 400 and 500 hours building and adding information to the home page.

And the time has paid off.

Last week the Mock Con Home Page was named Web Site of the Week by two companies that evaluate web sites. Thursday it was named Web Site of the Day by Politics USA.

"Today's pick is an impressive offering from a group of students at Washington and Lee University," reads the Politics USA review. "This 1996 Republican Mock Convention site is well-designed, full of information and fun to navigate."

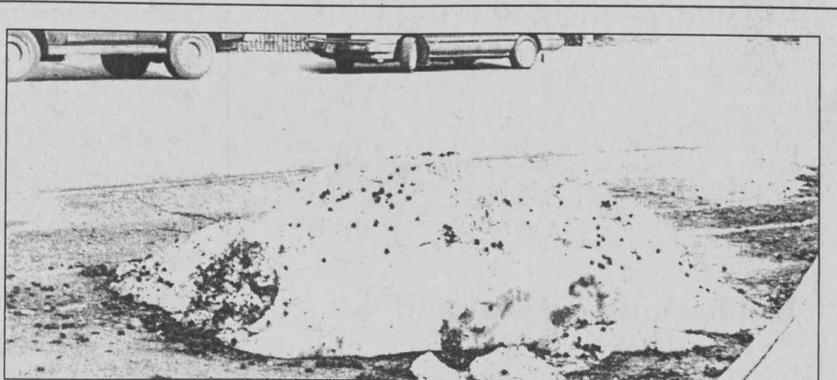
Tobias said that 150 extra people visited the web site Thursday when Politics USA reviewed it. The feedback from web-surfers, politics watchers and alumni has been positive.

Tobias said alumni are e-mailing the web site and sharing memories of their own Mock Con memories.

The home page offers an on-line issues forum, pictures and video footage of candidates.

Tobias plans next to add a "what's new" section, so visitors don't have to sift through information they've already read to find updates. He says he will continue updating the home page after Mock Con, until the actual Republican National Convention in August.

Check out the result of hundreds of hours of work at <http://www.mockcon.wlu.edu/~mockcon/>



Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

What do you mean, more snow?

Before the remains of the Blizzard of 1996 fully disappear, Mother Nature slams Lexington with another pile o' snow. See Weekend Weather above.

BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

French President envisions Euro-American alliance

Paris, France—French President Jacques Chirac said that during his visit to the United States this week, he will present Congress and President Clinton with his vision of a new balance of power in the alliance between Europe and the United States.

Chirac, who has made sweeping domestic and diplomatic reforms since he began his presidential term, emphasizes that while an alliance between the nations of Europe and the United States will always be significant to maintaining world security, the nations of Europe must begin to take greater military responsibility for upholding regional peace.

In Chirac's vision, the United States would decrease its military involvement in European peacekeeping effort while increasing financial relief to third world countries. Chirac has already begun to execute his plan by reinstating France as a significant NATO power and providing French troops for the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia.

Scientists make new progress in battle against AIDS virus

Atlanta—Medical researchers have made what could be a significant discovery in the battle against the AIDS virus. Scientists have found that by counting the number of strands of HIV genetic material, or RNA, in each micro liter of a patient's blood, they can accurately predict the stage of the patient's illness.

This assessment of the progression of the AIDS virus is usually done by counting the number of immune system cell defenders, or CD4s, per micro liter of blood. However, this method has often proved inaccurate, a problem which doctors say can affect the quality of the treatment given to a patient. In order to maintain a patient's comfort and safety during treatment, doctors must be able to accurately assess the stage to which the AIDS virus has progressed.

RNA counts will also aid researchers in their search for a cure by providing more accurate data concerning the effectiveness of various treatments in combatting the virus.

Cosmo editor to retire

New York—Helen Gurley Brown, editor-in-chief of *Cosmopolitan*, has been asked to retire after 31 years as the editor of the most popular magazine among college women.

At seventy-three, Brown is the only woman editor to have received the Henry Johnson Fisher Award from the Magazine Publishers of America, and is known among her colleagues as a work hard, play hard "Cosmo girl" whose ambition and work ethic turned a failing magazine into a thriving enterprise more than thirty years ago. Her highly controversial views concerning women and sexuality have been an earmark of her work for years, and have gained greater popularity for her magazine.

Many, including Brown herself, cite the drastic difference between her age and that of her and that of her typical college-age reader as the primary factor behind the decision to ask Brown for her retirement. The position of editor-in-chief will be filled by thirty-nine year old Bonnie Fuller next year.

Chinese Premier threatens use of force against Taiwan

Beijing—In a speech designed to fortify the strained relationship with Taiwan, Chinese Premier Li Peng threatened force against the foreign powers which support independence for Taiwan. Li insists that the state of relations between the nationalist island and communist China is the fault of Taiwanese independence movements and that, despite its reluctance to do so, China will not hesitate to use any necessary methods to bring about reunification.

Taiwanese officials viewed the speech as a familiar tool in China's continuing effort to bring about one unified China.

Beyond the Blue Ridge is
compiled by Peggy Stuntz

GOP WATCH

Editor's Note: GOP Watch is a special weekly feature to keep Washington and Lee's students informed about the Republican Presidential Campaign in advance of Mock Convention.

Forbes takes lead from Dole

In less than three weeks until the New Hampshire primary, Steve Forbes has surged into the lead, passing front-runner Bob Dole according to a Boston Globe/WBS-TV poll. Political analysts state that Forbes has much momentum because many voters see him as an outsider to Washington politics. His popularity, attributable to his huge media blitz, continues to surge as the Dole campaign collapses. Many voters are dissatisfied with Dole especially since his response to President Clinton's State of the Union address. Concerns about his age, the fact that he is a Washington insider and his role in the budget negotiations have raised doubts in the public's mind about Dole's ability to be a worthwhile President.

Buchanan edges ahead

Pat Buchanan edged Steve Forbes in a narrow victory in the Alaska GOP Straw Poll while Bob Dole received less than half the votes of the winner. Buchanan supporters assert that this win in Alaska sends the powerful message that Pat Buchanan is the only conservative candidate that can beat Forbes and Dole to Louisiana and Iowa caucus goers.

GOP Watch is compiled
by Laura Knapp

Women leaders unite for dinner, anniversary

By SARA McCRONE
Phi Staff Writer

It seemed like a repeat performance of Rush as women filed into the University Center, dressed to the nines and sporting name tags and 100-watt smiles. But this was a one-night deal, a special dinner sponsored by Women and Leadership to celebrate the tenth anniversary of coeducation at W&L. The organization had invited 135 student leaders, faculty, and staff to attend the dinner and speaker event.

Women and Leadership's president, Karly Jennings, welcomed the guests of honor, Dr. Mimi Elrod, Cinda Rankin, Michelle Richardson, Dean Howison, and Dr. Darcy Russell, and cited many groups and teams in which women were involved and held leadership positions. After dinner, the women's tennis coach, Cinda Rankin, gave a well-received and interesting speech on the history of coeducation at W&L.

The audience was surprised to learn that women had been allowed to attend W&L for two summer sessions during World War II, and all chuckled when Rankin read an excerpt from a *Ring-tum Phi* article in which a professor against co-education

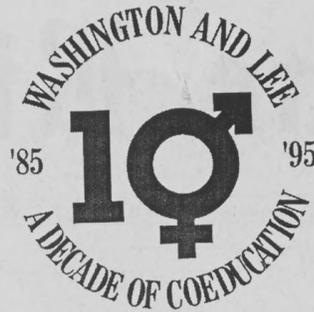
argued that female W&L students would be "young ladies on the prowl" and would turn W&L into "the Fort Lauderdale of the North."

Also amusing were some of the first problems encountered in the transition to co-education. For

example, there was a huge back-up of angry students in the Graham-Lees laundry room: no one had expected that the female students would wash their clothes twice as much as their male counterparts. In addition, there was t-shirt wars among the students. Some men wore t-shirts which read, "Women at W&L: The Beginning of an Error," while women shot back with slogans like "W&L Women: Quality Doesn't Have to Travel."

But there were also moments of seriousness, such as when Rankin shared a letter written by Jennifer Gray '89 in her freshman year in which she commended the W&L community for offering a warm welcome to females on campus and stated that she did not come to W&L to "smash a tradition" but "to attend one of the nation's finest schools." Rankin concluded her speech by saying that "the Colonnade is still standing...coeducation has been a mere bump in the road. Tradition has not changed. [W&L represents] honor and integrity, and the students respect and care for one another."

At the end of the evening, the audience applauded the efforts of Pamela Simpson, the head of the Coeducation Steering Committee, and Jennings announced that March 14 was the day to wear the newly-designed anniversary t-shirts which will be on sale next week.



This logo for the tenth anniversary of coeducation will be appearing on t-shirts which go on sale next week.

W&L gains new counselor, facilities

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

Washington and Lee's counseling services start the new year with a fresh face and renovated facilities.

Anne McThenia is temporarily taking the place of Anne Schroer-Lamont, Associate Dean of Students, who is on sabbatical in Norway.

McThenia and Dr. James Worth, W&L's other counselor have their offices in the newly renovated counseling center. The center is also home to W&L's health educator.

McThenia comes to W&L after eight years of working at Hollins College. She had planned on retiring at the end of this school year, when Schroer-Lamont and Worth asked her to fill Schroer-Lamont's place this year. She retired a semester early from Hollins to fill the position.

McThenia majored in psychology at Randolph-Macon Women's College and received her master's from James Madison University.

"I was aware at an early age that my first passion was working with people in a helping capacity," she said. "As a child, I was always the one who would try to keep other kids from

saying ugly things to each other."

During the 60's and 70's, McThenia raised her three children and did volunteer work on the side. Raising her three children prepared her for counseling college students, she said.

"I've been exposed to just about every issue you can experience in counseling," she said. "(Raising children) gave me an understanding about things I wouldn't have had from just reading about them."

In 1980, McThenia helped start the Alcohol Service of Rockbridge County, where she counseled for five years.

This is not McThenia's first job at W&L. Before she worked at Hollins, McThenia counseled for a semester here. At the time, Dean Schroer-Lamont was doing career counseling and the school needed a temporary counselor.

W&L is typical in its counseling needs, McThenia said. Students here face the same problems as students on other campuses, including adjustment problems, eating disorders, substance abuse, and sexuality issues.

McThenia enjoys working with college students because they're at such a transitional point.

"It's exciting to help people transfer from one major life period to another," she said.



W. Patrick Hiney

Anne McThenia is the new counselor at W&L.

1996-97 IFC Election Results

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Junior Justice

Jason Callen '98, Kappa Sigma

Junior Justice

Colin Connolly '98, Phi Delta Theta

Sorority housing plan proposed

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

After months of dialogue with the four Panhellenic sororities, the Sorority Housing Committee announced a preliminary housing proposal last week.

The proposal includes plans for five sorority houses, while allowing room for a sixth. Each house would sleep 20 to 30 women, have a kitchen, an eating area, a common area, and an office area. There would be no party room, as national sororities have non-alcoholic housing policies.

The proposed location, next to the Pavilion and across from the law school, is a six-minute walk to campus.

The plan also includes a Panhellenic center where sororities can hold date functions. The committee hopes that a common center will help allay fears that sorority housing will lessen the Panhellenic spirit sorority women enjoy on this campus.

The committee also suggested a rotating meal plan, where classes from different sororities eat together.

Members of the four sororities filled out surveys earlier this year, but were divided on whether to have houses or lodges that would house only a few members.

The committee emphasized that this is not the final report. Panhellenic has until March first to submit the report. Sorority members are encouraged to give their input to and ask questions of their Panhellenic representatives.

Denniston visits W&L, speaks on reporting

By DAN ODENWALD
Phi Executive Editor

Lyle Denniston is the quintessential journalist's journalist.

He believes in the principle that journalists are the catalyst in the democratic system — they help the process along, but have no measured influence on the result.

In the age of embattled Supreme Court nominations, he maintains that the press plays virtually no role in determining the success of that individual.

It may seem strange that these remarks would be made by the dean of the Court press corps. Even stranger when considering that Denniston has been covering the Court for nearly 40 years as a reporter for The Baltimore Sun.

Denniston visited the W&L campus Tuesday afternoon as part of Professor Edwin Yoder's course on Reporting on the Supreme Court. The Department of Journalism and Mass Communications and the School of Law sponsored a speech he gave to the general public that afternoon.

In his lecture, entitled "Reporting on the U.S. Supreme Court," Denniston argued that Court journalists are not active participants in the nominating process. They in no way affect the outcome of the purely political game. "The role of the press is profoundly exaggerated," said Denniston. "The press can't make anything something it's not."

Denniston refuted the idea that the press is the handmaiden by which judicial careers are destroyed or deeply threatened.

He examined the nominations of Justices Clarence Thomas and Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

In both examples, he maintained that the U.S. Senate had already determined that the nominee would be confirmed. Media scrutiny played no role in the confirmation process, according to Denniston.

There was no way Democratic senators were going to vote against an African-American successor to Thurgood Marshall, Denniston said. Similarly, the media's exposure of the letter-writing campaign of Ginsburg and her husband would not be enough to persuade the Senate to reject her.

In the same vein, he asserted that Judge Robert Bork was doomed from the beginning. The anti-Reagan senators used the Bork nomination as a way to strike back at the President in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair.

Despite Denniston's conviction that the press doesn't direct the outcome of a confirmation hearing, he supports grueling examination of all potential justices.

Journalists should go in looking for dirt, said Denniston. But they should not be surprised that the fate of the nominee has already been decided.

ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR

The W&L Admissions Office is now accepting applications for a possible Admissions Counselor position. All interested graduating seniors should submit a cover letter and resume no later than Friday, February 16, 1996

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Morning Mag. 7:00-8:45 a.m.: M) Jon Redenbaugh, John Farringer, Wes Armstrong; T) Eric Zvolinsky, David Foster; W) Ben Didier, Matt Holbrook; Th) Charles Allen, Justin Pfeiffer; F) Matthew Patrick, Robert Tucker. **Classic Rock. 2:00-4:00 p.m.:** M) Stan Roberts; W) James Angelo, Greg Chow; F) Ramey Harris, Janna Pellegrino; Sat) Greg Pimentel, Noah Levy, Will Hershey (9:00-11:00 a.m.). **Future History. 2:00-4:00 p.m.:** T) Jenny Au; Th) Chris Baldwin, James Urban. **Breakthrough. 4:00-5:45 p.m.:** M) Erik Holbrook, Chas Frank; T) Jenni Robison W) Tyson Hilton, Dan Rushing; Th) Chris Kane, Brett Whitaker. **College Music Journal Highlights. 4:00-5:45 p.m.:** F) Nate Tencza. **Sundays: Rock) Jason Treat, Jeff Woodbury (2:00-4:00 p.m.); My Favorite Band) rotating dj's (10:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.).**

JAZZ

9:00-11:15 a.m.: M) Anna Bentley; W) not yet assigned... **12:00-2:00 p.m.:** Th) Nathaniel Hagar; F) Tom Leggett, Aaron Wilkinson. **8:00-10:00 p.m.:** T) Mac Jennings; Th) Ryan Bremer; Sun) Elizabeth Yost, Robert Hughes

COUNTRY

12:00-2:00 p.m.: M) Charles Allen; T) Justin Telchick, David Lawrence, Jason Cox; W) Sunda Wells, Emily Frampton, Will Townes, Rich Walter; Sun) Doug Hartog, Forrest Stewart.

CLASSICAL

9:00-11:15 a.m.: T) Craig McCaughrin; Th) Sean Lindly; F) not yet assigned... **6:00-8:00 p.m.:** M) Kerry Dunphy; T) Trevor Cox, Josh Harvey; W) Ron Niebo; Th) Eric Kessel; F) Michael Leaser; Sun) Matt Socha, Andrew Higgs.

DANCE/RAP

8:00-10:00 p.m.: M) Dan Odenwald, Lisa Ackerman; W) Raymond Hall; F) Willie Polaski, Tom Becker.

SPECIALTY SHOWS

10:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.: M) Charlie Mason, Jagger Harvey; T) Dan Vesay; W) Scott Schneider, Ed Chun; Th) Kelly Totten, Margaret Rich; F) Bill Overbaugh. **Third Ear. 12:00-2:00 a.m.:** M) Brugh Foster, Phil Barrett; T) Wild Bo & The Oultaw; W) Adam Avitable; Th) Brian Casto; F) Alex Christensen; Sun) Robert Hough. **Night Owl Blues. 6:00-9:00 p.m.:** Sat) Wayne Raynal. **Anti-Headache Medicine. 9:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.:** Sat) Doug Harwood.

INSPIRATIONAL

7:00-9:00 a.m.: Sat) John Wilbers; Sun) Tamara Watkins. **12:00-2:00 a.m.:** Jason Sorens, Cathy Merritt.

It's not easy being green-minded

Courtney E. Miller
Phi Features Editor

It's not easy being green, as Kermit sweetly sang so many years ago. The environmental movement has infiltrated the daily life of the daily consumer. Many states have passed legislature mandating the recycling of certain materials, and encouraging it through such programs as curb-side recycling and redemption values for soda cans. Following in line with a national trend, then, W&L has begun a pilot program of campus recycling at Woods Creek Apartments.

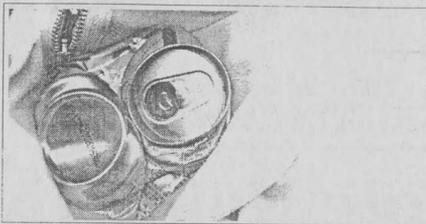
W&L's distance from the movement is slowly disappearing as students from all across America voice concerns over the lack of a campus recycling program. Many students feel that W&L, as an institution of higher learning, has a responsibility to be a leader in recycling within the community, that it can no longer take a back seat to the responsibility of recycling. Due to the lack of a campus recycling program, many students are struggling to maintain programs of their own.

The university now provides facilities for the recycling of aluminum products such as soda cans and of mixed paper without large plastic or wax labels (but not newsprint). Previously students who wished to recycle would sort, separate and transport their own waste to Rockbridge

County's recycling pit-stop in the Kroger parking lot.

Aluminum and paper were chosen because they are the easiest products for the consumer to recycle, and they use the least amount of labor and money to complete the cycle.

A recycling committee headed by the Treasurer of the university, Lawrence Broomall, and consisting of several students, both law and undergraduate, has met three times this year and hopes to expand the pilot Woods Creek program to the entire school in the near future.



Unfortunately, however, there has been little or no response to the committee's pilot program of recycling; a meeting for students living in Woods Creek interested in recycling was poorly attended, and although bins are available for the students to recycle, many are not using them.

Jason Ham, law student and member of the recycling committee, feels that the bins should be placed in the apartments whether or not the individual students ask for them. Each apartment has between three and five individuals, and Ham feels that at least one of them will be inclined to recycle, while in the future the other residents may also wish to recycle.

Buildings and Grounds employees collect discarded materials from bins in the basements of the East and West buildings. Pick-up is every Tuesday and Thursday from 8-9 a.m.

Ham also feels that students who previously recycled lose their initiative and interest in recycling when they arrive at W&L because it is so difficult to recycle.

Students who wish to recycle items such as newspapers that the pilot program does not include should place bundles in brown paper sacks, or tie them together with string. Plastic containers need to be sorted by color (white and green). Glass also needs to be sorted by color (white and brown). The students can then take their bundles to the recycling center at Kroger. The grocery store operates the center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week.

If the pilot program of Woods Creek is a success, and students prove interested in recycling, Ham hopes the committee will extend recycling campus-wide. He also hopes the school's recycling will eventually include newspapers and other commonly recycled materials.

Phi Executive Editor Dan Odenwald explores

Post-Modern News

Everybody knows newspapers are boring.

The writing is cliché, the reporting is biased and the flare is absent. Readership is down, the afternoon dailies are dead, and the Information Super Highway threatens the print media's very existence. For God's sake, they're still managed by those dinosaur-aged editors who still believe in the inverted pyramid.

What the hell is happening?

The truth? Well, most critics are correct: newspapers are in serious danger. The problems of which readers complain are valid.

The good news is that print journalists are aware of their concerns. Those who teach, those who practice, and those who pontificate are engaged in a dialogue focused on revolutionizing the world of newspapers.

Advocates of New Journalism want to see more human interest, more personal connection, and better storytelling. These reformers desire to throw the antiquated models of old out the window. Change the paradigm. Innovate. Win back your readers.

Like most well-entrenched institutions, the print media are slow to change. But if you look closely, you can find it—superb journalism for the modern age.

The *Washington Post* is one of the two best newspapers in the United States today (*The New York Times* being the other).

Some of the finest work in the newspaper business appears within its folds. This review is a salute to the *Post's* Style section, an impressive repository of New Journalism.

The Style section contains features stories or funky and offbeat material. Topics include fashion, entertainment, society, unique people, and the arts.

On any given day, one can open up the Style section and truly catch a glimpse of American culture. Contemporary deToqueville-types, searching for the meaning of America, should look inside these pages.

Take the *Post* of Thursday, January 31, 1996, for example. The headlines say it all.

G.O.P. presidential hopefuls descend on Louisiana in anticipation of the state primary. Rock artist Jewel warms the hearts of adoring fans. Couples who are in love and confront a big age gap deal with society's expectations. Ann Landers gives advice to a

man whose girlfriend hates his tattoo.

This is America, folks. Who cares about Whitewater? Bosnia? the Balanced Budget? Let's talk gossip.

The most enduring component of the Style section is *The Reliable Source*, the *Post's* own gossip column. Formerly edited by Lois Romano, the *Source* is now compiled by Annie Groer and Ann Gerhart. If you want to know when Hugh gets caught with a hooker, when Lisa Marie and Michael call it quits, or when John, Jr., fails the bar, read the *Source*.

Style can be smart and important, however. Who could forget the intimate portrayal of Betty Friedan published this summer? Where else could one follow the demise of the government's arts agency? Where else could one read of the Log Cabin Republicans?

Congratulations are in order. *The Washington Post* has a lot to be proud of. Its Style section is remarkable, exciting, and new.

Reporters are perfectionists. They almost never are entirely happy with what they produce. But I think I speak for the entire journalistic community when I say that the Style section gets it right.

They do it well, and they do it consistently. Not many of us can say that.



Jewel will save your soul and open for Edwin McCain tonight at the Pavilion. Doors open at 9:00 p.m., and the show starts at 9:30. A beer garden will be available for those with ID. Tickets are \$6 in advance, and \$8 at the door.

SUDDEN DEATH: NEVER QUITE ALIVE

Kirk Susong
Phi Reviewer

There are at least two types of action flicks: those that you will want to see more than once, and those that even once seems like a few too many times. The former category includes movies like *Die Hard* or *Cliffhanger*, the latter, unfortunately, includes *Sudden Death*.

Jean-Claude Van Damme is fire marshal Darren McCord at the 'Iglou,' where the Pittsburgh Penguins are playing the Black Hawks in the final game of the Stanley Cup. But the Vice-President has decided to attend the game in the owner's box, and bad things ensue. A crazed ex-Secret Service agent decides to take the Veep hostage, plant bombs around the arena, and demand that the U.S. government shuffle money between various bank accounts.

This sounds like a pretty straight-forward movie, right? In fact, if that were all there was to the plot, and it was executed well-enough, we might have a pretty good film here. For example, *Under Siege* was hardly a movie full of intimate characterizations or complex plot twists; its well-executed simplicity was part of its success. But apparently the people behind *Sudden Death* don't like things so simple. They have thought up a number of needless devices to make the film supposedly "more interesting," although in reality they just detract from the action.

For example, the chief agent on the case, whose job it is to protect the Vice-President, is actually a traitor. But it

doesn't matter one little bit in the movie's terms, because the notion of a traitor agent is never explored; he gets killed a few minutes after we find out. Or take another example. Van Damme is an ex-firefighter who quit his job because of the trauma he faced when a little girl died in his arms. So what? Do we ever see this resurface in the movie? No. The incident is mentioned once or twice, but in no way does this trauma ever affect Van Damme or his actions. Undoubtedly the film-makers want this to make the film more complex, but instead it just muddles the plot.

Would you like another example of this silliness? At one point, Van Damme is actually required to suit up as a Penguin and play in the game. Although his only experience was as a semi-pro a decade previously in Canada, he is able to make the "save of the season" to keep the Penguins in the game! Somehow the writer is able to work this into the plot, but to top it all off, after making the huge crucial play, he signals to his little boy in the stands and tells him how much he loves him! Whatever. Quite simply, the writing is atrocious, though I suppose that is to be expected from writer Gene Quintano, whose previous movies include quality films like *Honeymoon Academy* and *National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon*.

But if that should've been expected, then what I certainly didn't foresee was the poor action cinematography. Director and cinematographer Peter Hyams worked with Van Damme in last year's *Timecop*. For all the problems that film had, at least it provided us with some entertaining fight sequences.

The action sequences of *Sudden Death* couldn't get out

blood pumping if we were connected to a machine. There is very little of the gymnastics we expect from Van Damme. Admittedly there are a few good fights, but they simply don't live up to the quality Jean-Claude can deliver. Too many of the sequences have an interesting premise, but then don't deliver on credibility—like when Van Damme decides to storm the owner's box. Maybe we would believe getting in via air ducts or by posing as a bad guy. But there is simply no way even he could swing around on the huge lamps which hang down from the ceiling, then miraculously ride an overhead camera to the box. If he had showed us his incredible athleticism instead of relying on fortuitous circumstances to resolve the problem, the movie would have been a lot better.

The one highlight of the movie is Powers Boothe, who plays demented terrorist Joshua Foss. Boothe is certainly not afraid to typecast himself as the asocial type, whether in *Nixon* or *Tombstone*. Perhaps this dates from his Emmy-winning performance as cult leader Jim Jones in *Guyana Tragedy*, which still pops up on TBS now and then. Whatever motivated him in this direction, it was a good move, because he is excellent in these roles. Here he gives the most likable and realistic performance of the movie, despite his being the character who is least accessible to the audience member.

Except for Boothe's convincing and downright cool portrayal of the bad guy, this film is no good. I saw it at a second-run theater, and I still feel like I got taken for a ride. If you can't get a few others to chip in for the cost of the video rental, it's not worth your money.

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The Student Voice of Washington and Lee
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"Greeks" include men, too

Tim Burke, fraternal law expert, gave an eye-opening speech Tuesday night in Lee Chapel. Unfortunately, the people who needed to hear it most neglected to come.

Sorority pledges and actives piled in, filling the middle section of pews. But the number of fraternity men in Lee Chapel would not have reached from one end of the pew to another.

Anyone in a Greek organization would have benefitted from Burke's speech. Most were surprised to hear that Greek members and officers can be held liable if a party-goer has an accident after drinking alcohol at a fraternity party or sorority function.

So where were the people who throw the majority of these parties? Sororities have parties where alcohol is offered only every few months, and then only through a cash bar to those of legal age. Fraternities throw parties and serve alcohol nearly every week, regardless of the age of their guests.

Fraternity members needed to hear Burke's message more than sorority members did. Not that they are any more predisposed to act irresponsibly than sorority members, they simply have more opportunities.

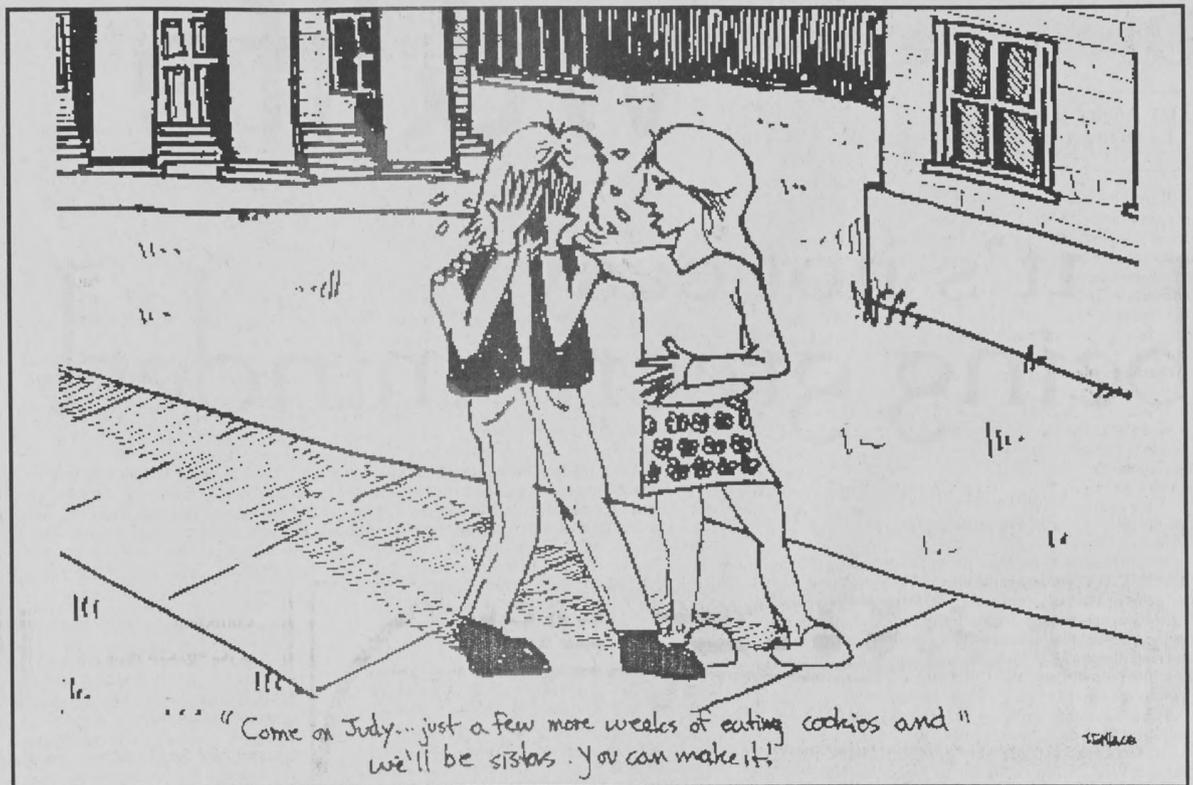
Burke spoke of the liabilities that come with hazing. W&L sororities have never been known for harmful hazing practices. Again, this is not a judgement of character, but of opportunity. Sororities have a six-week pledgship; fraternities go for ten.

Yet in spite of all these reasons for fraternity men to show up, they simply didn't. The fliers hung prior to his speech advertised an expert in fraternal law. By the looks of the audience, only one sex on this campus cares about it.

Quote of the Week

"We did not invade Panama, by the way. We had a 'pre-dawn vertical insertion.'...I thought that's what happens after Fancy Dress."

—A W&L professor describing the evils of double-speak



The '96 Vote Republican Textbook

MY VIEW

Joshua Heslinga, '98

For all you casual campaign watchers (i.e. those with lives) who want to sound well-informed in the month before Mock Convention, I present my first, and only, primary primer, guaranteed to give you the edge in those pesky politics discussions that pop up over drinks.

Let's start with the candidates. First on the list has to be Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, the front-runner from the start (having run for President three times before). Dole presents himself as the candidate with the experience and leadership qualities to be President. He has largely succeeded in cutting off united conservative opposition by tacking to the right over the past year, although his opponents attack him for a penchant toward deal-making. His recent lackluster response to Clinton's SOTU address has left many Republicans convinced he can't win on his own merits, something he may implicitly be acknowledging in his rumored pleas for Colin Powell to be his VP.

Next comes Malcolm S. "Steve" Forbes, Jr. His campaign has grown out of the Republican Party's supply-side economic wing, and he relentlessly advocates the flat tax. Forbes is financing nearly all of his campaign out of his personal fortune, and his huge expenditures on hard-hitting TV commercials have propelled his meteoric rise to second-place nationally, although he has recently drawn fire for his more moderate stances on social issues.

The only other candidate with a shot at winning is Texas Senator Phil Gramm, who has the most focused conservative message. Gramm has run on a record that includes the Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction act and early opposition to the Clinton health-care

plan. His relentless and uncompromising campaigning has drawn fire from his rivals and the media but has seemed to help him in his quest to build an activist constituency that will help him exceed early expectations and propel him into the national spotlight as the conservative alternative to Bob Dole.

Others in the race include Pat Buchanan, who possesses a dedicated nativist and social conservative constituency but is far too harsh to win; Alan Keyes, an eloquent but unknown

black conservative with the purest appeal to religious conservatives; Lamar Alexander, a former governor of Tennessee who has built his uninspiring candidacy on a plaid shirt and an outsider image; Richard Lugar, a senator whose foreign-policy focus, lack of money, and obscure status will be lucky to win his home state of Indiana; and Morry Taylor, another millionaire businessman who likes to be called "The Griz."

The biggest early contests are the 2/12 caucuses in Iowa and the 2/20 primary in New Hampshire. Contrary to popular belief, these two states are a great one-two indicator of primary sentiment. Iowa's contest is largely dominated by social conservatives, and its intricate precinct-based system rewards organization and dedication. Bad weather could be a major aid to Gramm's hard-core constituency there. New Hampshire offers a more popular

primary, which emphasizes both personal and media-based campaigning and allocates delegates proportionally, based on the candidates' vote percentage.

Polls show Dole and Forbes as one-two in both states. Two big questions will be whether Forbes' candidacy has peaked in New Hampshire and can mobilize caucus-goers in Iowa. Dole is expected to win both, so an upset or close results in either will seriously hurt his campaign. Gramm's candidacy will contend for an upset 2nd-place in Iowa and a strong enough 3rd or 4th-place showing in New Hampshire to avoid dismissal.

However, while Iowa and New Hampshire draw the most attention, it may be other states that provide the best indicators of who the nominee will be. Two states have mounted serious challenges to become early players: Louisiana and Delaware. Louisiana will hold caucuses on 2/6. Although it has drawn little attention since Dole and Forbes are ignoring the contest, Louisiana offers more delegates than New Hampshire. Gramm is favored there over Buchanan and Keyes and must win fairly substantially to have any shot at the nomination.

Delaware will hold a winner-take-all primary on 2/24 and has pulled off the ingenious maneuver of putting all the candidates on the ballot whether they attempt to qualify there or not. Polls have shown Forbes tied with Dole in DE, and Gramm needs a strong showing there too.

Arizona, North Dakota, and South Dakota hold primaries on the 2/27. Arizona's is winner-take-all and will be a key battleground between Gramm and Forbes, with Dole likely to finish no better than 2nd. Although Gramm has the backing of most major Republicans there, polls have shown Forbes leading. Gramm and Dole have fought hard in South Dakota, and the results there will be critical if either fails to perform up to expectations in other states.

South Carolina's 3/2 primary is pivotal to Gramm, who depends on beating Dole in the conservative South, the heart of the Republican Party. Georgia's 3/5 primary will also be a key indicator of Southern sentiment.

The conservative constituency of Minnesota's 3/5 caucuses makes it almost a lock for Gramm, while the labyrinthine ballot laws in New York's 3/7 primary have made it almost a one-on-one showdown between Dole, supported overwhelmingly by the state party, and Forbes.

Most reports show Gramm leading in Maryland's 3/5 primary, where he hopes to capture delegates and gain momentum for "Super Tuesday," the conglomerate of delegate-rich Southern primaries (including FL, TX, MS, TN, and OK) that take place on 3/12.

After that, Gramm's campaign will either be ahead or dead. Forbes has the money to press Dole in the later primaries, but the Midwestern primaries on 3/19 (in IL, MI, OH, and WI) and the grand-daddy CA primary on 3/26 will likely resolve the fight.

If it's suspense you want, there's the exciting but unlikely scenario where Dole, Forbes, and Gramm prevent each other from achieving a majority of the GOP convention's 1,988 delegates. In that case, the deal-making will be a sight to behold.

Get some popcorn and some beverages, save this article, and enjoy the ride.

Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Idiot

THE FAR MIDDLE

Alex Christensen

Headline get your attention?

That's the point, and it's also the point of the title of Al Franken's wonderful new book, *Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Idiot and Other Observations*.

As Franken himself says of the title, "Have you ever noticed how all newspaper composite pictures of wanted criminals resemble Jesse Jackson?" No, wait. That's actually a horribly racist thing Rush Limbaugh said in *Newsday* on October 8, 1990.

What Franken actually said was, "I thought the title, aside from the obvious advantage of being personally offensive to Limbaugh, would sell books. Let me explain why: It makes fun of Rush Limbaugh by pointing out that he is a big lardbutt."

Which is exactly what it does, among other things. I think you'll agree it's about time. And after reading the book, which I urge you in the strongest terms to do, I think you'll agree that Al Franken is the perfect person to do it.

For those of you who have somehow managed to miss Al Franken, he's a writer for Saturday Night Live, and has been since its inception. He is responsible for some of the most savagely funny political satire of the television era, from Chevy Chase's bumbling Gerald Ford to Dan Aykroyd's paranoid Nixon, egghead Carter and caustic Dole, from Phil Hartman's genial Reagan and self-loathing Clinton to Dana Carvey's goofy George Bush. And he's still going strong with a brilliant new cast (gratuitous SNL endorsement). You may also know him as the performer who portrayed Pat Robertson (W&L '50) in 1988 and Paul Tsongas in 1992, as well as the self-help expert Stuart Smalley on the small and big screens. (*Stuart Saves His Family* is one of the most underrated movies ever.)

And Franken also displays in the book a real depth of knowledge about Limbaugh and his tactics and an almost uncanny understanding of his character.

But if you're expecting an unadulterated bash-

Limbaugh-fest, you may be disappointed. While Franken's jokes and points are on-target and very funny, they aren't confined to Limbaugh. Franken also roasts such other "big fat hypocrite[s]" as Newt Gingrich, Dole, Pat Buchanan, Phil Gramm, George

Will, Ollie North, Clarence Thomas, and Dan Quayle. In his chapter entitled "Operation Chickenhawk," he sends these not-so-famous draft-dodgers to the dark jungles of 'Nam to see what might have happened if any of them had actually been there during the Vietnam War. "Pat Buchanan [was 4-F]...had a bad knee. He spent the war writing speeches for Nixon. Interestingly, he is now an avid jogger. Jogs regularly, Lunderstand."

A few more chapter titles may suffice to suggest the nature of the book: "Gingrich: Sex, Giraffes, and Weightlessness," "Bob Dole's Nightmare of Depravity," "The Reagan Years: Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Liar," "Phil Gramm: Everybody's Favorite Bastard," "Pat Buchanan: Nazi Lover," and "Bill Clinton: Greatest President of the Twentieth Century."

And lest those seem so broad that you might give

up on the book, you should be aware that the whole perfect, vicious point of the book is not just to call Rush Limbaugh a big fat idiot ("I wouldn't, for example, attempt to create a psychological construct to explain why a desperately insecure man would weigh three hundred

pounds and have difficulty sustaining intimate relationships. Psychobabble mumbo jumbo doesn't interest me, and I would never suggest that a difficult separation from the primary love object at an early age might cause a man to hate women and look to food as a substitute for the mother's teat."), but also to lampoon Limbaugh's whole slash-and-burn style, which produces much heat but little light.

Not that it's not nasty. You can learn about when Limbaugh spent his days inside his house eating government-finance junk food, too lazy to mow his own lawn. You can learn why Rush Limbaugh never voted for Ronald Reagan. You can learn how Newt Gingrich left his family to be taken care of by the local church charity while he was formulating his theories on family values, and just how often our great family values champions like Gingrich, Dole, Gramm, Pete Wilson, and George Will have been married (once less than Rush Limbaugh).

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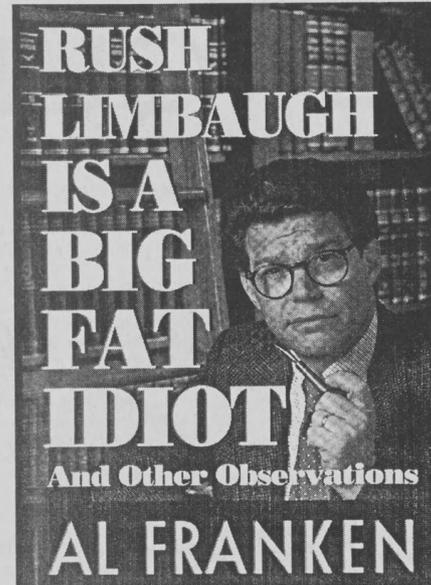
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Divorce and disillusionment

DREAM LAND

Richard Weaver

I'll bet you're still pretty upset by the recent news of the break-up of Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley. As an honorary member of the Jackson family, I was shocked and saddened by the announcement, and, in the name of News, I wanted to know what others in the community thought about it.

What better place to gauge community reaction than the new Stop-In/Burger King/Baskin-Robbins complex in Buena Vista. The Buena Vista Stop-In puts the Lexington Stop-In to shame, if that is possible. The floors are white, the aisles are wide, the hot dogs are hot. They even sell Valentine's Day teddy bears.

I asked Wanda, the attendant, what she thought about the Jackson-Presley nuptials.

"I don't want to comment," Wanda said.

With a little more coaxing, I got Wanda to expand on that.

"I don't care; I like country music, myself," Wanda said.

I soon moved over to the dining area of the complex, where I spoke with Vernon and Billy. They were having a late Burger King lunch.

"Excuse me, but do you own Thriller?" I asked.

Vernon gave me kind of a strange look.

"What do you think about Michael Jackson?" I asked.

"He's a freak," Vernon said. Billy nodded his head in agreement.

About his marriage to Lisa Marie: "I hate to see what their kids would look like," Vernon added. Billy nodded again. Stunned by their answers, I drifted over to the Burger King counter.

"Welcome to Burger King-may I take your order?" the cashier

asked.

"What do you think about the pending divorce of Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley?" I asked her.

"(silence)" she answered. This was getting to be depressing. Reva, at the Baskin-Robbins counter, also had no opinion.

I went back to Wanda to ask her if she had any advice for Michael and Lisa Marie to fix their marriage.

"I don't know how to answer that," she said.

It turned out that the people at the Stop-In/Burger King/Baskin-Robbins were pretty apathetic. I left pretty disillusioned about the whole thing. That's the problem with this country; nobody cares anymore.

Will I ever go back to the Buena Vista Stop-In? Sure. I just hope that when I marry Lisa Marie, reaction will be more positive.

What better place to gauge community reaction than the new Stop-In/Burger King/Baskin-Robbins complex in Buena Vista.

GENERAL NOTES

Senior Cocktail Party

The senior cocktail party has been postponed until Friday, March 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Alumni House. Non-refundable tickets are available by advance sale only. Tickets will be sold outside the Co-Op from Wednesday to Friday March 6-8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day. You can still charge the \$10 fee home. If you have already bought your ticket, you need not reregister. If you have any questions, please call Justin King (463-8464) and let him know.

Phi Eta Sigma

Phi Eta Sigma will award nationwide 5 scholarships of \$2,000 each for graduate study during 1996-7. Graduating seniors who are members of Phi Eta Sigma are eligible to apply. Call Dean West-Settle at x8748 on or before Feb. 9 if you wish to apply.

Oxford Exchange

Washington and Lee is one of six area schools that sponsor a summer program of study at St. Anne's College, Oxford, England. The Virginia Program at Oxford follows the English tutorial system and studies the subject areas of literature and history of Tudor-Stuart England. Dates are July 1 to August 10, 1996. Application deadline is March 1, 1996. There is some scholarship aid available. See Prof. Pamela Simpson in the Art Dept. or call 8857 for more information.

CDPO News

There will be an interviewing workshop on Monday, February 5 at 4 p.m. in Room 109 of the University Center. All students are invited to attend.

There will be an internship workshop for communications majors and those interested in obtaining internships in the communications field on Tuesday, February 6 at 4:30 p.m. in the

Career Development Office.

Seniors: Don't miss the newest recruiting and interviewing opportunities with the Career Development Office. Included are positions in publishing, banking, consulting, paralegal and teaching. Most of these have FEBRUARY 16 deadlines so stop by soon to get details.

Film Society

The Washington and Lee Film Society is pleased to announce the presentation of *Burnt by the Sun* (Russia, 1994), directed by Nikita Mikhalkov.

Screenings will be on Friday and Saturday, February 2 and 3, at 8:05 p.m. in the Troubadour Cinema. There is not charge for admission. This film is in Russian, with English subtitles.

Screening Program

Losing weight is one thing. Losing perspective is another. Attend the first National Eating Disorders Screening Program Wednesday, Feb. 7, 4 p.m. in the University Center, Room 109. For more information call the Health Education office at 462-4501.

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Correction

In the "Robert Bork critiques Supreme Court" story of the January 26 issue of *The Ring-tum Phi*, we incorrectly named a university. It was Yale University who turned back the \$25 million donation.

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				8 p.m., Troubadour Film - <i>Burnt by the Sun</i>	9 p.m., Pavillion SAB Band - Edwin McCain and Jewel	8 p.m., Troubadour Film - <i>Burnt by the Sun</i>
				5 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Villa Julie	7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Mennonite w/W&L Dancers	
4	7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Randolph-Macon	5	7 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Bridgewater	6	4 p.m. Health Education presents <i>Healthy Screening</i>	8
			7 p.m. Lee Chapel Contact Speaker P.J. O'Rourke	* 7 p.m. Lee Chapel MSA - Cornel West	7	10 p.m., GHQ Elisabeth Cutler Board of Trustees Alumni College
			8 p.m., Lenfest Theatre - <i>Faust</i>	8 p.m., Lenfest Theatre - <i>Faust</i>	8 p.m. Troubadour Film - <i>Safe</i>	9
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			* 8 p.m., GHQ MSA - <i>There's Something in Store for You</i>	13	Valentine's Day	14
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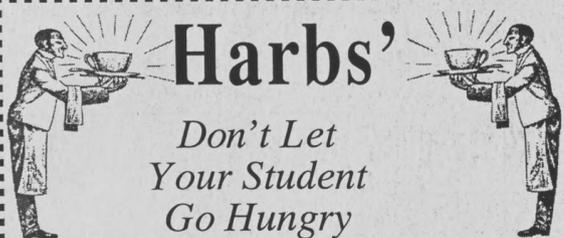
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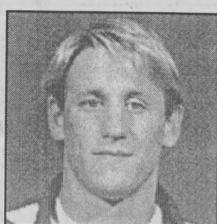
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Josephine Schaeffer
Women's Indoor Track

Schaeffer smashed her school record in the 5000 meter run with a time of 17:49.90 Saturday at East Tennessee State. The senior provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division III championships March 8-9 at Baldwin-Wallace College.



Nathan Hottle
Men's Swimming

Hottle captured the 200 freestyle and the 200 breaststroke Saturday at a double dual meet with Sewanee and Transylvania. The junior has earned a provisional bid for the NCAA's in the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

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Generals get back on track after losing to Guilford

By CURIS PUGSLEY
Phi Staff Writer

The Washington and Lee Generals women's basketball team dropped another defeat to the Guilford Quakers Saturday afternoon, 69-39, at the Warner Center.

The Quakers (11-5, 8-5 ODAC) began the contest with a 31-5 run that lasted for a span of almost twelve minutes, holding the Generals without a field goal for five minutes.

Senior co-captain Sandra Holmes broke the scoring drought with a short turnaround jumper at the fifteen minute mark of the first half.

But the tempo of the game clearly favored the fast-break oriented Quakers. The Generals' 23 first half turnovers led to 48 first half points for the Quakers, who were led by 11 points each from Bari Nixon and Lauren Haynes.

Guilford hit on 45 percent of their shots, including a three-point field goal, and it hit 92 percent of their free throws in the first half, compared to a dismal 14 percent from the field and 65 percent from the charity stripe for the Generals. These events culminated in a 48-17 halftime bulge for the Quakers.

The second half seemed promising for the Generals, beginning with a 10-0 run and an eight minute scoring drought for the Quakers.

Just when one thought it would be safe for the Generals, sophomore Marija Preimats hit a three-point bucket to extend the Quaker lead to 24 and put the final nail in the Generals' coffin.

A valiant effort in the last six minutes came up short for Washington and Lee, and the Quakers took home the victory, 69-39.

Holmes paced the Generals with 11 points and 9 rebounds while freshman Karin Treese hit on 5-9 shooting for 10 points and 4 rebounds.

The Generals were plagued by poor shooting and turnovers, shooting 26 percent from the field and committing 35 turnovers.

Haynes had 15 points, 6 rebounds, and 7 steals to lead the Quakers, and Nixon contributed 11 points and 11 rebounds.

The loss sustained the Generals' tenth place position in the ODAC while Guilford pulled to within one-half game of the Virginia Wesleyan Marlins for fourth place in the ODAC standings.

Washington and Lee turned things around Tuesday evening by beating Randolph-Macon Woman's College, 58-48, in the Warner Center.

The Generals came back from a 13-point first half deficit and a 6-point halftime margin to snare the win.

A huge key for the Generals was their 22 for 27 free throw shooting performance.

Chrissy Burghardt racked up 16 points, including a perfect 8-8 from the free throw line, to go along with 6 assists and 9 rebounds.

Tonia Dean had 10 points, Holmes pitched in with 9 points and 11 rebounds, and freshman Amber Hinkle totaled 9 points and 6 rebounds.

W&L raised its record to 3-12 overall and 2-11 in the ODAC with the win over the Wildcats. The Generals will next face Villa Julie at home Saturday.

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 MBASKETBALL - L, 84-76, vs. Guilford; L, 78-57, at Va. Wesleyan
 WBASKETBALL - L, 69-59, vs. Guilford; W, 68-48, vs. RMWC
 MSWIMMING - L, 103-97, vs. Transylvania; W, 100-94, vs. Sewanee
 WSWIMMING - W, 104-101, vs. Transylvania; L, 107-98, vs. Sewanee; W, 128-97, vs. Hollins

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This Week:

WRESTLING - Sat. at W. Maryland with Ursinus and Swarthmore
 MBASKETBALL - Sat. vs. Eastern Mennonite, 7:30 PM; Mon. vs. Randolph-Macon, 7:30 PM; Wed. at Lynchburg, 7:30 PM
 WBASKETBALL - Saturday vs. Villa Julie, 5:00 PM; Sunday vs. Roanoke, 4:00 PM; Tuesday vs. Bridgewater, 7:00 PM; Thursday at Hollins, 7:00 PM
 MSWIMMING - Saturday at Mary Washington, 2:00 PM
 WSWIMMING - Saturday at Mary Washington, 1:00 PM
 MINDOORTRACK - Saturday at VMI Relays, 10:00 AM

What could have been

THE BIG FAN
 BY SCOTT BOOKWALTER

Dallas was favored big to win Super Bowl XXX, yet almost lost. Pittsburgh was given no chance in the game, yet almost won. Unfortunately, there are no moral victories at the championship level, so the Steelers and their fans are left thinking about what could have been.

First, let me tip my hat to the Cowboys. Their 27-17 victory is indicative of how they make big plays when needed and consistently find ways to win. They proved they were the best team in the NFL throughout the season and the first half of the Super Bowl. But they were definitely not the best team in the second half. Because of that, we deserved a better finish than we received.

We could have seen a Steelers game-tying field goal, sending the game into the first Super Bowl overtime ever. We could have seen a dramatic Pittsburgh touchdown, catapulting the Steelers into the lead and forcing Dallas into a rare catch-up situation. Even an emotional Dallas stop of the Steelers deep in Cowboys territory would have sufficed as true football excitement. This game had the potential to become the best Super Bowl ever.

Instead, we saw Pittsburgh QB Neil O'Donnell throw two time zones away from his intended receiver not once, but twice. Those will go down in history as the worst Super Bowl passes since Miami kicker Garo Yepremian's pathetic floater in Super Bowl VII. One would have thought hometown legend Dave Krieg of the Cardinals was throwing those passes, not the impeccably-accurate O'Donnell.

We saw Dallas CB Larry Brown intercept both passes. Brown was named MVP for those feats and gets to tour the talk show circuit this week. Good for him. But let's face it; Larry Hagman and Larry King could have caught those passes just as well as Larry Brown did.

Now we will be privileged to see Dallas players starring in a million commercials this offseason. Charles Haley will threaten to retire again. Jerry Jones will proclaim Barry Switzer as The Best Coach in the Universe. Yes, the Cowboys are Super Bowl champions yet again.

I can't complain too much. It was great to finally see a close game and Pittsburgh represented the AFC well. Don't be surprised to see the Steelers back next year. If they retain their key free agents, they'll again be tough.

A controversy has been brewing in the NHL lately over, of all things, the Fox TV Glowing Puck. I remember when purists were up in arms over the Fox football scoreboard. Now that tiny box has been copied by other networks.

One has to remember who Fox is marketing towards. It is trying to draw the passive fan who doesn't care much about hockey but watches it every now and then. Fox figures that broadcasting a rare network TV hockey game plus the novelty of a glowing puck will cause people to tune in. After all, diehard fans will be mainly watching on cable or a local TV station, where the pucks don't glow.

So leave the glowing pucks be, but confine them to Fox. Although I'm not much of a hockey buff, I've never had trouble following the puck. Still, it will give me incentive to watch Fox hockey, where fights are no longer the main source of entertainment.

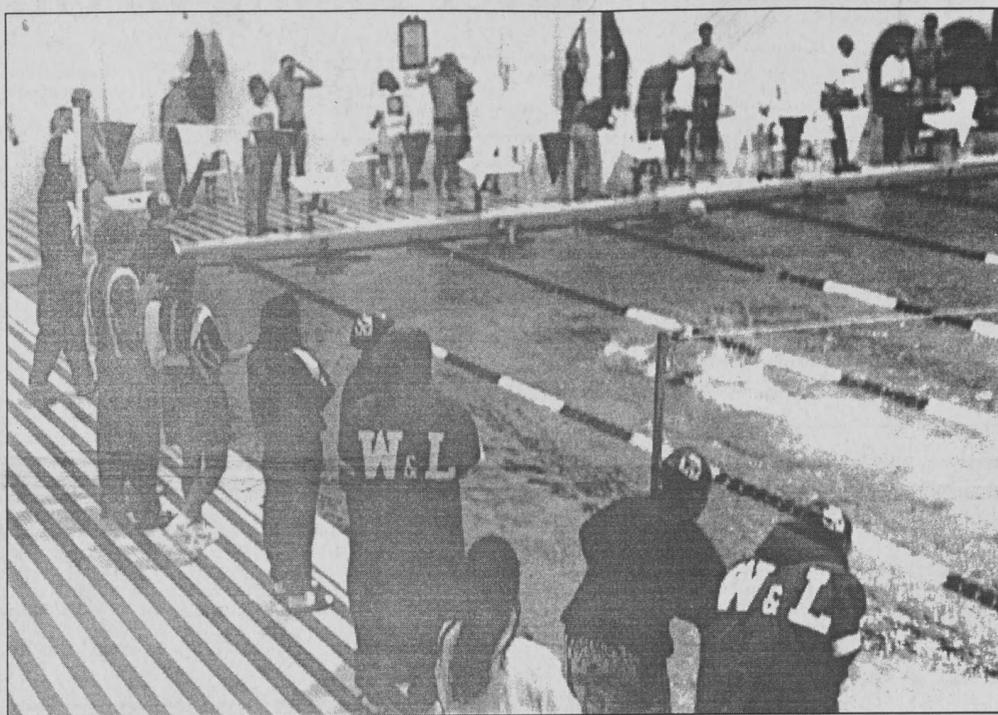


Photo by Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

Men's swimming is off to a 3-6 start after splitting a meet with Transylvania and Sewanee Saturday.

Prince, Hottle continue domination at Sewanee

Women extend ODAC streak to 25 meets

By JASON ZACHER
 Phi Staff Writer

Junior Nathan Hottle and senior Rebekah Prince continued their march toward nationals last weekend, but their teams split meets with Sewanee and Transylvania.

Hottle, this week's Athlete of the Week, qualified provisionally for nationals in the 100 and 200 breaststroke and is very close to qualifying for the 200 IM. Hottle is the defending national champion in the 200 breast.

A nine-time All-American, Prince is just a half-second away from qualifying in the 200 backstroke and 1.4 seconds away from qualifying in the 100 backstroke.

Both swimmers will get a

chance to qualify this weekend in another dual meet against Mary Washington.

Wednesday night, the women extended their ODAC winning streak to 25 meets with a 128-97 victory over Hollins. The victory increased their overall record to 8-5.

The Generals won 9 out of 10 races. Freshman Margaret Hoehl set a meet record with her win in the 100 back and sophomore Kendall Kruickshanks won the 1000 free by almost 14 seconds.

Junior Anne Spencer won the 200 free, senior Jill Sheets won the 100 and 200 breast, and sophomore Megan Wiedmaier took the 50 free.

Junior Laura Marshall and Prince added wins in the 100 free and 200 back, respectively.

The Generals were the victors

in the 200 medley relay, claiming the top two spots.

Last weekend, the men's team defeated Sewanee, 100-94, but lost to Transylvania, 103-97.

Freshman Tom Cox won the 50 freestyle and tied for first in the 100 free with a time of :51.00. There were three swimmers within 1/100th of a second. Freshman Brad Wymore placed third with a time of :51.01.

Junior Steve Brigrance won the 200 butterfly, and along with Cox, Wymore, and Craig Sears, won the 400 free relay. Hottle added wins in the 200 free and the 200 breast.

The women split their two meets the other way. The Generals were victorious over Transylvania, 104-101, but they fell to Sewanee, 107-98. Hoehl continued her strong

season by winning the 1000 free and placing second in the 200 and 500 free.

Sophomore Bligh Wollner added a win in the 200 breast, while Prince won the 200 IM by three seconds and the 200 back by four seconds.

The 400 free relay team of Cruickshanks, sophomore Katy Gibbs, freshman Laura Goodwin, and freshman Greta Richter cruised to victory over Transylvania by six seconds. The 400 medley relay team of Wollner, Prince, Marshall, and Wiedmaier was victorious over Sewanee.

The teams are looking at tough meets tomorrow against Mary Washington. Last year, the men defeated the Eagles, 132-73. The women, on the other hand, are looking to avenge a one-point loss, 152-151.

Quakers hold off Generals

By BETHANY BAUMAN
 Phi Assistant Sports Editor

Despite their solid effort, the men's basketball team dropped their game to Guilford College Saturday, 84-76.

Both fighting for one of the eight spots in the upcoming Old Dominion Athletic Conference Tournament, the Quakers and the Generals entered the game with similar must-win attitudes.

Guilford came into the contest with a record of 6-11 overall and 2-10 in the conference, while W&L posted a 2-15 overall record, 2-9 in the ODAC.

Guilford jumped to an early lead within the first few minutes of the game. But senior tri-captain Jon Coffman gave the Generals a 15-12 lead at the 12:04 mark on a three point basket.

The Generals capitalized on Quaker turnovers to go on a 16-5 scoring run. Guilford was noticeably weakened by the four first half fouls of Quaker scoring leader Mike Norris.

W&L opened the second half with a 39-37 lead over Guilford. Cam Dyer continued to lead the team, racking up 25 total points. Derek Carter also turned in a solid performance, sinking two of three from three point range as well as grabbing a few key steals.

The decision came down to the last few minutes of the game with Guilford taking a 72-70 lead with 2:32 remaining. With :36.4 left in the clock, the Quakers extended their lead to 78-72, putting the game out of reach for the Generals.

The team entered Wednesday's contest with Virginia Wesleyan with several key players injured. Dyer had been hobbled by a hip injury prior to the Guilford game while Coffman was slowed by a shoulder injury he sustained in Saturday's game.

Sophomore Eric Zabolinsky had also been struggling with a sprained thumb since January 26.

These nagging injuries proved costly as the Generals were overrun by Virginia Wesleyan in Norfolk, 78-57.

W&L trailed 33-25 at halftime, but the Generals put together an impressive 9-2 run early in the second half, cutting the deficit to 35-34 with 16:12 remaining.

The bottom then fell out for the Generals. Virginia Wesleyan reeled off the next 17 points to put the game out of reach and hand W&L another tough loss.

Cam Dyer led the W&L effort with 16 points and Kevin Cobbin added 8 points.

The Generals dropped to 2-17 overall with the loss. W&L will be back in action Saturday evening against Eastern Mennonite at the Warner Center.

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Indoor Track:

The W&L Generals competed in a meet at East Tennessee State last week.

Senior Josephine Schaeffer broke a personal school record in the 5,000 meter run. She placed second in the race.

Schaeffer's time of 17:49:90 proved a provisional qualifier for the NCAA Division III championships, which will take place March 8-9 at Baldwin-Wallace College.

Schaeffer would become the first W&L female to participate in the indoor track

and field nationals.

The Generals had three other personal bests at the meet: Heath Acuff in the 200, Ainsley Fisher in the 3,000 and Lisa Brennan in the 800.

Wrestling:

The Generals dropped a close meet to the Apprentice School Wednesday, 25-21.

Colin Looney prevailed 7-2 at 190 and Adam Branson, Rob deClerk, and John Grumbine also captured their matches. But it was not quite enough as W&L fell to 1-5.

Commercials and the Super Bowl: perfect together

MY VIEW

Jason Zacher '98

Why did you watch the Super Bowl?

Think a moment.

Did you really watch it for a good game? To procrastinate from that paper? To see Deion get maimed? For the Cowboy cheerleaders? Or for the commercials?

If you watched it for the first and last reasons, you were in luck. For the first time in years, the American sporting community was treated to a good game of football. The Steelers for once gave the AFC some reason to cheer. They showed up.

This was a team of relative unknowns playing against the flashy, explosive Cowboys. Who thought the Steelers had a chance (other than my editor)?

OK, so there were no spectacular performances by the stars. RB Emmitt Smith only had 49 yards rushing and WR Michael Irvin only had 76 yards receiving. These are poor numbers on a normal day for these two.

If you are a Steelers fan (like one of my editors), you could watch the heroics of RB Bam Morris running through the Dallas defense, the tenacity of the Pittsburgh rush defense, and the individual skill of the receivers.

If you are a Cowboys fan, you can celebrate your fifth Super Bowl title, the heroics of Super Bowl MVP CB Larry Brown, and Dallas MVP QB Neil O'Donnell, as well as the leg of K Chris Boniol, who scored one-third of the Cowboy points.

The Steelers almost did it. Even I was scared for a moment. Now that the game is long over, the Cowboys are enjoying another offseason as world champions. The AFC, on the other hand, is hopefully planning another attack using the Steelers' blueprint.

I will acknowledge that there were many people who watched the game for other reasons. I watched the game with a few of them.

If you watched it for the commercials, you were also treated. The commercial crop this year was highly creative.

Any advertiser will tell you that the Super Bowl of football is also the Super Bowl for advertisements. This year, a 30-second ad cost \$1.2 million.

So here goes. I conducted an impromptu poll around campus and came up with this:

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This wins throughout the year: the Nike Pee-Wee football ads. Who could forget the pee-wee ice bowl or the little kid high-stepping into the end zone?

BEST SHOW PLUG:

NBC's "Mad About You". The Packers were a nice touch. Everyone's sentimental favorite for the Super Bowl got on somehow. "Oooh Cheese!"

BEST TWIST ON AN OLD AD:

Charlton Heston plugging Bud Light. The Bud Light guy was getting a little annoying. Glad he could get some advice from Moses.

FUNNIEST AD:

This one was close. From who I talked to, the award goes to the Budweiser frogs. Having the three of them frozen to the can was one of the funniest things I had seen in years.

Honorable Mention: 1. Dinosaur doing tricks for McDonald's

fries. 2. Beavers building house for Doritos. 3. Hakeem buying the Olympians lunch.

WE HAD THIS MANY STARS AND STILL COULDN'T MAKE AN AD AWARD:

Tylenol. They had a Heisman Trophy winner and three NFL stars in one commercial and it still stunk.

BEST CAMPAIGN:

Pepsi. For the third straight year, they did it.

1. Frozen tundra. The people in the doctor's office with the Pepsi cans stuck to the patient's lips. 2. Coke driver buried in Pepsi landslide. 3. Goldfish. It was only good because it got flushed.

BEST AD WITH DEION SANDERS (if this is possible) OR MICHAEL JORDAN:

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THIS AD WAS SUPPOSED TO MAKE ME BUY SOMETHING AWAY:

This is a distinguished category. Hopefully, people lost their jobs for these: 1. Plymouth Neon (maybe the person that designed the car can lose his job). 2. The Wolves with Toyota. 3. Kinko's with the incredible stretching neck. 4. Anti-snore strips. 5. McDonald's with the kid in the baby-swing.

Well, that is a more-than-thorough rundown of the Super Bowl. We can look forward to a year of preparation for the next one: Madison Avenue is already preparing.

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