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Construction continues

Stemmons plaza gets a face-lift

By Paige Gance
STAFF WRITER

The construction on Newcomb Hall and Hillel House was expanded last month to Stemmons Plaza as part of phase two of the university renovations. Stemmons Plaza includes the area surrounded by the back of the Colonnade, Leyburn Library and Reid Hall.

Construction on Stemmons Plaza began on April 17 and includes noticeable excavation of the areas behind the low brick wall on either side of the front entrance bridge to Leyburn.

All shrubs, trees, retaining walls, sections of the brick wall, and the exterior stairs from Stemmons Plaza to the library's lower level 1 have been removed. The area may look bare now, but only to make way for improvement.

The University's plans include the construction

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of utility housing for infrastructural support of the Colonnade in the newly cleared space. Since all mechanical and electrical equipment for the Colonnade will be there, this leaves room for classrooms and offices in those buildings.

"By putting everything from the electrical infrastructure to air-handling to fire protection in these utility areas outside of the Colonnade buildings themselves, we are going to be able to maximize the program space on the interior of the buildings," said Mike Carmagnola, Washington and Lee's chief facilities officer.

These new buildings will also help to create new space on Stemmons Plaza and reduce the need for vehicle traffic in that area. That means fewer golf carts and futuristic-looking Tech Services cars that students need to dodge on the way to the Science Center.

"This project affords us an opportunity to reinvent Stemmons Plaza in ways that will significantly benefit the overall campus atmosphere," said Tom Kalasky, director of design and construction at W&L. "There will be several new spaces that will allow for outdoor classes and casual, impromptu gatherings on Stemmons."

Stemmons is already home to the annual activities fair during O-week, the study abroad fair, part of commencement exercises and various ice cream socials. As a central part of campus, it was already a good location for these gatherings. Once construction is done, it will serve this purpose even better and more often.

Unlike the Hillel House and Newcomb Hall, Stemmons Plaza will not be LEED certified. LEED (Leaders in Energy and Environmental Design) is an internationally recognized certification system that measures how "green" a building is by its energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction and overall environmental quality.

This does not mean that the university ignored its standards of sustainability when laying out plans for Stemmons Plaza. Much of the limestone that will be used is recycled from a previous project and the roofs of the utility building are certified "green."

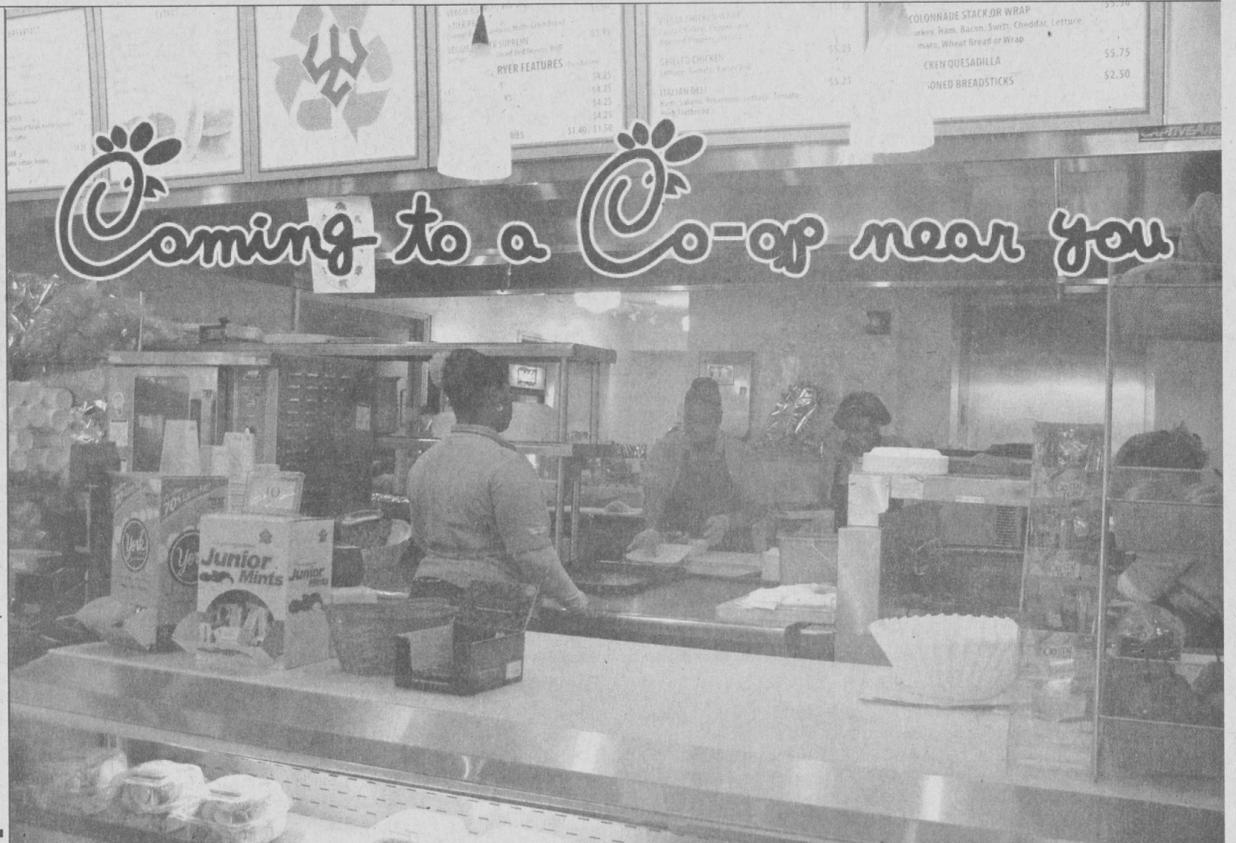
Carmagnola said the university is planning this and other impending projects to incorporate energy conservation and sustainability. That commitment includes the creation of new landscape plans, such as a rain garden in association with the Hillel House. "This is not only a question of improving the landscaping, but it is also a water management tool," Carmagnola said.

Work on Newcomb is approximately five weeks ahead of schedule and Hillel House remains reliably on schedule. Around late June, faculty and staff will start to reoccupy Newcomb Hall, and in late July the Hillel House will be completed. The dedication is currently scheduled for Sept. 24.

Until completion, however, the front entrance of Leyburn Library will be closed for extended periods during the summer as the walkway is repaired and benches and bio-retention planters installed. Repairs on the Northern Auditorium roof will also continue during this time in order to prevent further leaking.

By the time we return for the summer the familiar construction fence surrounding Newcomb Hall will be moved back and the walkway between Reid and Newcomb will return to normal.

Once funding has been secured through private grants, construction will move to phase 3: the renovation of Payne Hall.



Wednesday, May 12, Washington and Lee invites you to "Eat Mor Chikin"

By Eric Gehman
STAFF WRITER

Eric Hoffman, president of the EC, had a vision: to bring one of his favorite fast food joints to Washington and Lee. Now, that vision is one step closer to fulfillment as Chick-Fil-A will be serving food out of the Co-op this coming Wednesday, May 12th, as part of a pilot program to test the franchise's viability on campus.

After student demand poured in last summer asking for more diverse dining options, Hoffman decided to tackle the project. A friend from another law school told him that Chick-Fil-A, a popular Southern chain, served chicken sandwiches through dining services once a week at his school. That's when the light bulb went off.

"Chick-Fil-A is extremely popular among students [here at W&L]," said Hoffman, who mentioned he knew friends who drove to Roanoke just to enjoy the fast-food offerings of the chicken chain. Knowing that the dining services left considerable "room for improvement," it seemed only natural to Hoffman that Chick-Fil-A would be a perfect fit.

So Hoffman brought the Chick-Fil-A project before the EC, who sat on the as-of-yet unhatched idea while Hoffman contacted campus dining services and the general manager of the Roanoke Chick-Fil-A. The project hit its first roadblock when dining services was hesitant to come on board with the project, and the Roanoke group worried about the

viability and profitability of a Chick-Fil-A program in Lexington.

And while the idea was popular among many students, other officials at the university were less concerned and mostly indifferent with the seemingly trivial pursuit of bringing a fast-food restaurant to campus.

"The attitude has been that if this is something we can accomplish, that's great," says Hoffman, but bringing Chick-Fil-A to Washington and Lee "...wasn't on their agenda." Hoffman notes, however, that head of dining services Alex DeSilva and Dean of Students Dawn Watkins were both "extremely supportive" throughout his efforts.

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SCOTT CENTORINO, EC President

Ultimately, however, the EC successfully courted both groups and persuaded Chick-Fil-A to come visit campus and tour the dining facilities. Noting that Chick-Fil-A has stringent standards for the equipment its chicken is cooked in, Hoffman

said that the program will come at a considerable cost, but he remains confident that Chick-Fil-A could be a thriving success.

But the courting process is not yet over. This Wednesday, May 12th, will mark the first pilot run for the potential Chick-Fil-A sale through the co-op. Running from 12-1 pm, the sale will give students a chance to put their money where their mouth is and show Chick-Fil-A that students will back an on-campus initiative for their business.

Ideally, the Roanoke restaurant will sign on after Wednesday's test-run and start a program for the coming school year to sell Chick-Fil-A

Though it may take some time and a considerable display of interest from the student body, the process of bringing a new fast-food option to W&L may finally be within reach. If the recent EC elections are any indication, Chick-Fil-A is a top priority for student voters this year. Current EC President Scott Centorino, '11, described the popularity of his pro-chicken platform last month: "It's funny that it only recently became a hot topic during the EC campaign," said Centorino, "because it's something Eric was working on for so long. I decided, somewhat offhandedly, to include it in my campaign as one of my ten commitments, and suddenly the idea emerged as one of the campaign's biggest issues."

So while Hoffman graduated from the Law School last weekend, he has made sure to pass the reigns on to Centorino and the rest of the current EC.

Centorino shares Hoffman's enthusiasm and optimism for the project, but knows that there is a tough road ahead before Chick-Fil-A establishes itself here for the long term.

"If we show the company they're welcome, they'll come more and more," he said. "The bottom line is this: if we prove profitable for them, it is only a matter of time before someone has a permanent presence."



opinions



A bone to pick with Panhellenic

Specifically forbidding Kappa Delta and Theta from participating in Sigma Chi's Derby Days hurt a charity fundraiser

By the Sigma Chi Fraternity
COLUMNISTS

Before beginning this article, Sigma Chi would like to thank all the students who participated in Derby Days 2010.

This year, Sigma Chi placed a special effort on increasing the philanthropic focus of Derby Days and we are proud to have raised a grand total of \$10,529 throughout the week. All proceeds during Derby Days will be pledged to The Children's Miracle Network, Sigma Chi's national philanthropy.

Sigma Chi certainly feels that the sum raised speaks both to the dedication of the participating sororities as well as the capacity for Greek houses to make meaningful contributions to social causes.

That being said, a major point of contention and concern arose with Derby Days this year that we feel must be brought to the attention of the student body.

At the beginning of winter term, the Panhellenic Council made two disciplinary rulings against Kappa Delta and Kappa Alpha Theta, placing them both on social probation through winter term.

While certainly a harsh punishment, it was justifiable in the sense that it affected the sororities in question as well as the rest of the Greek community equally. However, Panhellenic also specifically banned both KD and Theta from participating in Derby Days, Sigma Chi's largest annual fundraiser and as demonstrated by the sum raised above, one of the largest fundraisers on the W&L campus.

At the same time, Panhellenic permitted both sororities to participate in any fundraisers or social events organized by other Greek organization during spring term other than Derby Days.

Sigma Chi strongly feels that Panhellenic's ruling unfairly discriminated against our fraternity, damaged the reputation of the event and diminished Derby Days' philanthropic potential despite the fact that we had no involvement in the events for which KD and Theta were sanctioned.

Sigma Chi has repeatedly addressed Panhellenic requesting their reconsideration on this is-

sue.

Despite our efforts to open a dialogue, Panhellenic has ignored our appeals, showing a blatant lack of respect for our concerns and demonstrating what we believe to be an egregious abuse of their authority.

In this sense Sigma Chi feels that Panhellenic's leadership used their disciplinary ruling to pursue a misguided personal agenda, ultimately choosing to dictate what they believe is best rather than to allow the entire student body to pursue what clearly is an effective fundraiser.

Several key issues have been raised in the midst of this conflict and we feel that it is both necessary and appropriate to make these issues public.

First, any member of the student body can appeal disciplin-

alized.

The fact that at any given time during the week in which Derby Days took place, members of KD or Theta could attend any other philanthropic or social event besides Derby Days is ridiculous. As members of the same student body, Sigma Chi deserves to be treated equally.

Being a student governing body, Panhellenic is expected to recognize imbalances of this sort and should have limited both sororities to social probation through winter term with no additional punishment.

On multiple accounts, Sigma Chi pointed out this imbalance but Panhellenic chose to follow through with their ruling, knowingly discriminating against Sigma Chi and penalizing a fundraiser.

it. Sigma Chi also made this case to Panhellenic and again they denied our reconsideration on this account.

In the wake of this sanction, Sigma Chi repeatedly requested that Panhellenic open a discussion regarding the logic behind the issue and give us an opportunity to make our concerns known.

Certainly, we feel that Derby Days is a great opportunity for the W&L Greek community to demonstrate its commitment to charity, and as such the participation of all sororities is highly valued.

Panhellenic, however, refused to engage in a discussion with Sigma Chi about the sanction, the rationale behind the decision to issue it or the valid reasons presented to reconsider it.

Days and they can choose not to participate if they feel that the event treats them unfairly.

This year, we made strides to ensure that flag football was officiated by campus recreation referees and that the results of events were fairly reported on a visual scoreboard and on our website.

All participating sororities were given the point system prior to the events.

On this account, it is difficult for us to reconcile Panhellenic justifying its punishment on the basis that Derby Days is a degrading event with a purely social focus.

Student governing bodies should value participation in philanthropic events, even if they do have social aspects as well. Allowing KD and Theta to participate in Derby Days and to work with us to expand the scale of our fundraising would have been a great way to allow both sororities to turn a bad situation into a good one.

We feel that the sum raised this year certainly speaks to support that sororities have for philanthropy at Derby Days and we cannot stress enough how much we value their continued participation.

We feel that KD and Theta would also have made great contributions to Derby Days in terms of their input, competitive nature and shared belief in the importance of philanthropy at W&L. Indeed, their participation was sorely missed.

In the future, Sigma Chi hopes to work closely with the executive councils of all participating sororities to ensure that all manners of concern regarding

our event are addressed and that Derby Days makes the greatest impact possible in terms of fundraising.

We feel with utmost certainty that our event can be further improved through close coordination with all sororities and we look to extend such discussions in the future.

While we hope that our improvements and openness will continue to garner sorority support for Derby Days, it is clear to us that Panhellenic has little interest in working with us to improve Derby Days and seeks only to further damage our fundraiser.

In no way will Sigma Chi tolerate the continued abuses of power demonstrated by Panhellenic nor will we idly allow them to continue their pursuit of a personal agenda that we feel runs contrary to the interest of the student body.

When all is said and done, Panhellenic repeatedly tried to diminish a fundraiser that raised over \$10,000. We feel that, without a doubt, this sum speaks to the charitable capacity of all of W&L's sororities and is a sum that puts an exclamation point on Greek life at W&L.

Moreover, we hope that the sum raised proves to Panhellenic that in the end, they were wrong.

Again, we sincerely appreciate the participation of everyone involved who helped us make Derby Days such a great event this year and we hope to work closely with all participating sororities in the future to continue to make Derby Days an outstanding philanthropy.

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ary actions issued by Panhellenic within three days of the decision. In the case of their rulings against KD and Theta, however, Panhellenic chose not to inform Sigma Chi of the decision to ban KD and Theta from Derby Days, nor did they inform us of our ability to appeal the ruling.

As such, Sigma Chi remained unaware of Panhellenic's disciplinary actions and was never able to file a formal appeal. Because Panhellenic's meetings are held in private, it should be the responsibility of Panhellenic to inform all relevant parties of its decisions as well as of their ability to appeal. This case also brings into question the alleged right of a student governing body to make rulings targeting specific events.

As Sigma Chi played no role in the infractions of KD or Theta, our fraternity and its sponsored events should not have been pe-

Competition between sororities has always been the cornerstone of fundraising at Derby Days. Competition motivates sororities to participate in the Penny Race and buy t-shirts, both of which donate money directly to the Children's Miracle Network.

While any member of KD or Theta could have made donations on her own accord, refusing their sororities participation certainly decreased their incentive to donate.

Furthermore, all participating sororities were generous enough to agree to grant a \$2 participation donation per member. The absence of KD and Theta limited this grant.

Therefore, we strongly feel that not allowing sororities to participate diminished both the competitive spirit surrounding the event as well as its philanthropic potential, and Derby Days undoubtedly suffered for

Showing consideration and respect for their peers should be a primary concern for an organization that regularly interacts with the student body, especially on the W&L campus. In our case, Panhellenic failed to live up to this expectation.

Sigma Chi believes that Derby Days was unfairly discriminated against because of unsubstantiated assumptions and hearsay.

Derby Days is not intended to be an event that belittles or degrades women. Sigma Chi values the gender relations we have built over time, and we would not host Derby Days if we felt that it would compromise those relations.

Likewise, we believe that all Derby Days events are reasonable and we take specific care to review the schedule with sorority officers beforehand.

Obviously sorority participation is voluntary in Derby

University wins a prestigious award

FrattingHard.com names W&L as the fratliest school in the country

By Tim McAleenan
COLUMNIST

George Washington's \$20,000 donation to the school. Robert E. Lee's presidency. Big moments, no doubt. But we've got one more to add to the list. After a competition that lasted almost a month and a half, FrattingHard.com has dubbed Washington & Lee the fratliest school in the country. It was a pretty intense competition that featured many solid match-ups, and here's the story of how we got there.

Needless to say, we got off to a good start in the tournament. We were seeded #2, and we faced off against Washington, seeded #15. There were no comments or trash-talking in the forums during this round, but this match-up was special because of our school's parallel technologies.

On one hand, you've got the University of Washington, where they're just now learning about the breakthrough technology called "laptops" (look mom, no wires!), and on the other hand, you've got Washington & Lee, where it takes about five minutes to load a Google search engine (keep in mind, the first round took place in March, when you had to do an Indian rain dance just to get Microsoft Outlook to load, and plus, you had to deal with the side effects of the rain.)

But, in the end, I don't think that really mattered, since we steamrolled past Washington, capturing 81 percent of the vote. We went on to face North Caroli-

na in the second round (I'm sure they're delighted to know they made it farther in the frat bracket than the actual NAAs), and we cruised to the "Frat Sweet Sixteen" without much difficulty. But cheer up, North Carolina, you still had the, err, NITs.

Our Sweet Sixteen Match against #3 seed Florida State was pretty low key: deep, philosophical questions about whether Tim Tebow's virginity increased or decreased his frattness came up which seamlessly transitioned into a debate about whether or not George Bush was the frattnest president.

After clarifying the difference between Florida and Florida State, as well as making a few references to Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee, W&L won easily. We captured 75 percent of the vote, which according to user "Shacking with you Sweetheart," was due to the fact the "Florida is filled with geezers who don't use internet duh lol." Well put.

After that bit of Florida fun, we had the chance to pull off our first upset of the tournament, beating #1 seed Alabama to advance to the "Frattny Four." The banter on the message boards was what you might expect-Alabama people talking about how no one, with the exception of pretentious, snobby (**censor**) clowns had heard of W&L, and W&L students countering that our Greek fees are prob-

ably higher than their tuition. Fun stuff. Then we heard from this guy with the username "Roll Tide Roll" who said "W&L is like 80 percent Greek. If everyone there is fratty, then no one's fratty!" Hmm, he makes a good point. If everyone on this earth is inhaling oxygen, then no one's breathing!

After our victory over Alabama, we made it to the Fratty Four, along with Kentucky, Southern Methodist and our friends at U-Va. We had to get past the University of Kentucky to make it to the Frat Championship. The bashing here was pretty tense as well. One of the lighter comments came from "frat papa" who said that "USC named its horse Traveler. And USC is so not fratty. I'm giving this one to Kentucky."

Yes, but, frat papa, hear me out on this one. USC named its mascot Traveler well after Robert E. Lee named his horse Traveller. You can't control what people do after you. That's like saying because the lamest person you know names her kid Betty White, Betty White is somehow less awesome.

After we beat Kentucky pretty substantially (61 percent), we marched on to the Championship round against Southern Methodist. And you might be able to guess how the message boards were for that match. You know how Robert E. Lee taught us about duty, honor and civil

behavior? Yeah well, remember, we were facing Texans.

We heard criticism from "FRATmonster," who bantered that "how does it feel to be the size of a high school you are D? Im sorry but your school is not fratty, you school is not SMU's first choice...SMU is the students; first choice." Thanks FRATmonster, your eloquence can only be matched by your grammar. I wish I could stop by Rockbridge Middle School or something and have the fourth graders try and diagram that sentence. Umm professor, what happens when there are no verbs and the sentences don't stop? (Answer: You get a Tim McAleenan column). Despite the fact that we routinely faced schools literally 10 times our size, we were able to become the FRATTIEST SCHOOL IN AMERICA, beating SMU with 54 percent.

I know, I know. We got to keep this in perspective. There probably won't be any banners in the commons to celebrate, and I doubt admissions will be trumping our school's frat superiority in their pamphlets anytime soon.

But for now, I can sit back, relax and spend my summer telling my friends, "I may not be any frattnier than you, but my school sure is."

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opinions

Summer movies to watch this year

If you are looking for a distraction from your summer job or lack thereof, summer blockbusters have the solution

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We've had a wonderful week of weather here in Lexington. The sun has been perpetually out, and it's barely ever been cold. Mean tans have been crafted and day drinking has been constantly enjoyable.

However, for most of us, this nice weather will be relatively short lived. In two weeks, a good portion of us will be off to spend a summer locked in a cubicle, Burger King drive-thru station or fluorescently lighted clothing store.

Maybe you'll be lucky enough to be working construction or at a camp, but remember you're still going to be at work instead of celebrating your last two weeks of a six-week spring term.

I wanted to get fully prepared for a summer of staring out of a window at the beautiful weather that I cannot enjoy, so I decided to go to a movie theater.

One of the few nice aspects about the summer that doesn't include weather is the summer blockbuster. These movies aren't the kind of movies that will bore you with erroneous details like an interesting plot, well thought-out narrative and compelling characters.

Instead they use the American dream as their guide to movie making: just throw in tons of money and big explosions and it's bound to work.

But this year, there are no "Transformers," "Harry Potter" or James Cameron to draw us into the movie theater. The big names this year are a bunch of sequels from moderately popular franchises and a huge influx of hopeful franchises trying to make just enough money to cover their costly budgets. But don't fret, I have the answer for you.

Yes, I know that Rotten Tomatoes, IMDb and Metacritic all have much more hashed out and more professional answers for you.

Luckily for me, ITS at Washington and Lee has my back. At my behest, they slowed the internet down so much that the campus has a whole 1994 vibe to it.

And you know what students did in 1994? They read school newspapers instead of finding more expert opinions on the in-

ternet. Thanks, ITS!

So now that you are forced to abide by my opinion of movies that I have yet to see (I did see the trailers, so that clearly makes me capable of summing them up completely), you can properly decide how best to spend your selected two-hour break from the wonderful weather outside or from your depressing cubicle.

If you are a Republican, see "Iron Man 2." This is the one movie that I actually have seen, and can tell you that it really is the Republican wet dream.

The entire movie is about how to properly assign defense contracts. A Russian is the bad guy in this movie. When Tony Stark, the main character played by Robert Downey Jr., becomes misguided and distracted, he hangs up an Obama-like poster that says Ironman instead of Hope. Stark even asserts that he has "privatized world peace" in the beginning of the movie. I don't think Libertarians need porn anymore.

If you missed "Gladiator" playing on TNT every night this week, watch "Robin Hood."

Originally actor Russell Crowe and director Ridley Scott wanted to make a Robin Hood movie centered on compelling aspects of the Sheriff of Nottingham. Unfortunately, Russell Crowe quickly realized that he couldn't make nearly enough money playing a bad guy, so he demanded the script be changed to a mix of "Gladiator" and "Kingdom of Heaven." Oh well, at least Crowe is going to make archery look ominous.

If your boyfriend doesn't know that his only role in life is to cater only to you, take him to "Sex and the City 2."

Just tell him that you want a special date night between the two of you and if he's reluctant, tell him that he can pick the movie once he gets there. Of course, once you get to the ticket line, do the obligatory "I'm still wearing the pants in the relationship" move and pick the movie that you want to watch.

My only advice for this movie is to make sure that you loosen the chain around your boyfriend's ankle during the movie. If circulation cuts off, your man

might pass out and miss the scene where Samantha drags Mr. Big to Nordstrom's.

If you want to break up with your significant other, see "Just Wright."

This movie is neck and neck with "Furry Vengeance" in the race for "Gigli" Memorial Atrocious Movie of the Year.

You might also like this movie if you always wanted to see a movie depicting life on the New Jersey Nets, or if you thought Queen Latifah was too sexy to play a supporting role in a chick flick, or if you thought Common should've ditched the whole rap shtick that made him famous and instead focus on acting and basketball, or if physical therapy for two hours somehow excites you. I think that covers most of you guys, right?

If you watched "Brokeback Mountain" and thought to yourself, "Hey, that guy hooking up with Heath Ledger looks like the kind of guy who really needs his own action movie," watch "Prince of Persia: Sands of Time."

Look, I get it; you always wanted to see what it would look like if Ben Kingsley completely sold out. I thought "Gandhi" was overrated, too.

At least this movie has a solid base of a well thought-out script. What? It's based on a video game? Shit. Prepare for "Aladdin" meets "Doom."

If you think unshaven double chins and sarcastic, pithy one-liners are sexy, watch "Get Him to the Greek" and "Cyrus."

2005 had Steve Carrell. 2007 had Seth Rogan. 2008 had Jason Segal. 2009 had Paul Rudd. And now 2010 has Jonah Hill.

Hill is the next in line to carry the crown of nerdy, yet hilarious comedy star. He has two movies that he's starring in and both appear to be pretty good. So, ladies, if you go to your local Big and Tall store to find a mate, prepare to be turned on.

If you hate kids and any hope for the future of humanity, then you're in luck! This summer is filled with a countdown of annoyingly terrible franchises that will destroy all hope you have for the next generation.

Let's start with "Marmaduke

!" (there's going to be more of them... just a warning). It's all about a dog who can talk. WHAT? Dogs can't talk. They are thinking way too outside the box for this one.

Then we have "Cats and Dogs 2," which ups "Marmaduke" by making cats talk too. Hilarity is bound to ensue.

After that, we have "Toy Story 3," which will duke it out with "Shrek 4" to see who can one-in-four all of my childhood memories.

Want to feel good about your hope for the future? Pixar's next three movies from 2010-2012 are all sequels of some kind. If it worked for "The Little Mermaid" and "Cinderella," it should definitely work for "Cars" and "Monster's Inc."... right?

If you spent the last decade convinced that Will Smith and Jackie Chan should've been a movie together, watch "Karate Kid."

I know, you won't be completely satiated because "Karate Kid" only has Jackie Chan and Will Smith's son, Jaden, but, still, doesn't that almost make up for Chris Tucker being cast in all of the "Rush Hour" movies? It doesn't. Well, at least this movie can get you prepared for China's eventual purchase of America.

If you thought "Van Helsing" was just that great of a movie, watch "Jonah Hex." Both characters wear the same freaking outfit. Both names are three syllables long, and the only difference between plots is where each character kills the eventual bad guy. Is Hollywood even trying anymore?

If you would rather hang out with alumni than with actual students, watch "Grown Ups."

What isn't fun about seeing has-beens 15 years past their prime (Adam Sandler and Chris Rock) try and relive the glory days by living vicariously through their families in a setting that only draws upon nostalgia?

But here's the catch, during alumni weekend at least the old people are paying you for the fun. In "Grown Ups," you have to pay \$10 of your own money to watch these aged comedians slowly decompose on screen for two hours.

If you don't have a penis, watch the new "Twilight." I think that pretty much sums it up...

If you thought "Alien vs. Predator" was a little too much but "Predator" just quite wasn't enough, watch "Predators." If there's more than one, that's bound to make the movie better right?

If you wanted to see exactly how much money Nicholas Cage owes the government, watch "The Sorcerer's Apprentice." For those who don't know, Nicholas Cage owes an insane amount of money in back taxes, and he's repaying his debt by killing as many classic movies as possible.

In this installment, Cage and sidekick producer Jerry Bruckheimer decide to do to Mickey Mouse's segment in "Fantasia" what that that broken oil rig is now doing to the Gulf Coast.

If you are the kind of person who somehow stays focused on movies after taking a harmful amount of drugs, watch "Inception."

Christopher Nolan's first movie since "The Dark Knight" features Leonardo DiCaprio and Ellen Page (aka Juno). This is Christopher Nolan's umpteenth attempt at trying to put you in an insane asylum, and he might be successful if enough people try and experiment chemically before this movie.

If you haven't seen enough Angelina Jolie movies that have her playing the following character arc: innocent yet sexy central character transforms into seemingly guilty and dangerous and therefore exponentially more sexy central character transforms into emotionally vulnerable with ostensibly downplayed sexiness central character transforms into dominant hero with some article of clothing missing central character, then see "Salt." By the way, if you could comprehend that last sentence, you might be able to understand "Inception."

You wouldn't believe it, but "Salt" is apparently about Angelina Jolie playing a sexy CIA agent with something to hide.

If you thought that Julia Roberts should've been cast in "Julie and Julia," watch "Eat, Pray, Love." The movie is going after

the same exact book club-loving audience that "Julie and Julia" worked for.

Who would've thought that most women would like a movie about food, traveling and love? I really need to get out more.

If you are a female pedophile, watch "Scott Pilgrim vs. the World." If Michael Cera playing another teenager in the throngs of puberty trying to impress a girl by doing wacky things doesn't weed out this select demographic of predator cougars, I don't know what will.

If you like watching A-List actors blow stuff up, watch "The A-Team." Liam Neeson pones on more bad guys, and Bradley Cooper makes jokes about how much better at life he is than everyone else. You're pretty much getting what you expect.

If you like watching B-List has-beens blow stuff up, watch "The Expendables."

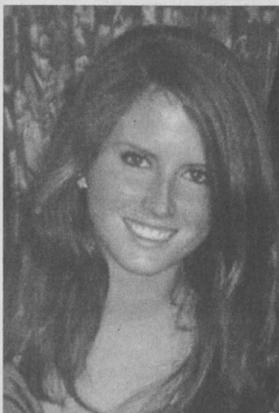
Sylvester Stallone, Jet Li and Jason Statham made a movie about what people have been saying about their acting skills for years. They are going to do to action movies what Adam Sandler and Chris Rock are going to do to comedy movies.

The good thing about this movie is everything you need to say is in the title. Want to try and tell your significant other that he or she is... ohhh, how do you say it?... expendable? Well, now you have your chance!

Sadly, this movie also aptly describes this summer's movie experience. Enjoy the weather while you can.

Profiles in Leadership: Julia Gotwald

Activities: Captain:
Women's Lacrosse; Student
Athletic Advisory Committee;
Captains Council; Peer Tutor;
Kappa Delta



What energizes you about taking on leadership responsibilities?

Bringing out the best in others is what energizes me as a leader and building a positive attitude, work ethic, and most importantly confidence.

What has been one of your most rewarding aspects of leadership at W&L?

I love knowing that I'm a part of a great team with unbelievable potential. It is so rewarding watching my team work hard to achieve a specific goal and knowing that I have helped people be successful in something they are proud of and love doing, and becoming a tighter unit in the process.

What legacy of leadership do you hope to leave for others who follow you here?

I want others after me to want to do greater things. There is no limit to what we can achieve and I want my team to always strive for perfection and know that it takes a lot of hard work to get there.

Any words of advice for them?

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Enjoying nature key part of spring

Spring term shouldn't be all about partying or studying, Outing Club says; should include some outdoor activities, too

By Randi Wilson
STAFF WRITER

Every year, James Dick has a handful of students walk into his Outing Club office in the heart of the commons, and ask him what there is to do.

They never mention it, but Dick says he has a feeling that most of them are seniors.

As first-years, they say, they went on a hike here, a canoe trip there and suddenly college overcame their free time. Four years later, they return to his office, telling him, "I feel like I've missed out."

That's part of the reason for this year's Outing Club motto: Are you balanced?

"Don't study, party or rock climb too much," said Dick.

He has nothing against any of those things but knows that any in excess can lead to an unhealthy lifestyle.

"The basement of a frat house isn't gonna change," he says, encouraging people to explore outdoors.

And neither is the library, he adds.

Dick, director of campus recreation at Washington and Lee, says there is "tons to do" both on campus and within a short drive to break out from the study-party-sleep cycle familiar to so many students.

Just walk into his office, and he can recommend 50 things off the top of his head within a 35-minute drive. If you're willing to go for an hour drive, the list easily doubles.

If you find you need more from this list (or have already done everything on it), go speak with Dick in Commons 115, who will immediately be able to find something for you. You can also pick up an Outing Club Guidebook, created specifically for students in need of more to do, in the bookstore for \$15.

If you would rather go on a trip than motivate yourself and your friends to go, visit the Out-

ing Club website at outingclub.wlu.edu that includes a list of Key Student Staff who lead particular trips. Email one of the students, or email outingclub@wlu.edu with your interests and you'll be forwarded to the right person.

There are a few free rafting trips and fishing trips left this term. Even if you've never done either before, all you need to do is reach out and they will teach you everything you need to know.

Goshen Pass

- o Drive: about 20 minutes
- o Water, land, rock, it has it all. There are several mountains around for hiking or climbing. Lake Merriwether feeds into the Maury River.

North Mountain

- o Drive: about 45 minutes. Leisurely hike to the overlook.
- o Dick recommends North Mountain over House Mountain. While the views are just as pretty at North as at House, the hike is much, much easier.

- o Do it at sunrise. To see the sun coming up over Lake Robertson with a group of friends is one of those "wow" moments, says Dick.

Mt. Pleasant

- o Drive: about 45 minutes. Hike: about 3 hours.
- o "Prettiest summit in Virginia," according to Dick.

Lake Robertson

- o Drive: about 25 minutes
- o \$20 for a boat all day, or \$5 the first hour and \$3 every other hour
- o Rent a boat for a few hours or the whole day, but get out there and enjoy it.

Picnic at Devil's Marbleyard

- o Drive: about 25 minutes. Hike: about 30 minutes.
- o \$15 for a picnic lunch
- o "Do it right," advises Dick. Grab a date, some lunch, a red-checkered blanket, and head out to Devil's Marbleyard for the nicest picnic you've ever had. Classic W&L

Natural Bridge

- o Drive: about 20 minutes
- o \$18 adult admission (\$8 with student ID), includes admission to either the Wax or Toy Museum.

The Maury River

- o Take the back campus trails down to the river and float from there to the pole houses.
- o Dick recommends picking up some kayaks from the Outing Club House for a change from the typical tubing experience

Foamhenge

- o Drive: about 15 minutes
- o Free admission, so take a picnic lunch, stay a while and experience the grandeur of 16 tall blocks of painted fiberglass

Safari Park

- o Drive: about 15 minutes
- o \$14 for adults, includes guide book to the park

Big House Mountain

- o Drive: about 30 minutes. Hike: about 45 minutes to an hour.
- o For those who adhere to tradition, try tackling House Mountain at sunrise.

Lexington farmers market offers freshest fare for residents

Markets on Wednesdays behind the Southern Inn bring farmers, and their products, from throughout Southwest Virginia

By Katie Boe
STAFF WRITER

The Lexington Farmers Market offers a wide variety of local and regional produce and goods in a friendly environment. The market is located in the parking lot behind the Southern Inn on Jefferson Street. Open on Wednesday from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., the market attracts vendors from all over the region. Many organic, sustainable and eco-friendly farms are represented. All of the vendors were

outgoing, friendly and passionate about their merchandise. They offered samples of their products, and were attentive and excited to talk about their businesses. Most of the vendors do the majority of their business through Farmer's Markets and festivals.

One of the more interesting vendors was Gatherings, which sells all sorts of angora rabbit products, including meat. The

saleswoman was enthusiastic about rabbit meat and shared the many details and benefits of eating rabbit meat. It is not only lower in fat and calories than most other meat but also cleaner and more sustainable. Gatherings has been attending the Lexington Farmers Market for six years and also sets up a stand at markets in Nelson County and Staunton.

Twin Springs Farm, located

about an hour away from Lexington, sells "ecologically sound" produce. This week they had strawberries, flowers, carrots, eggs, lettuce and potted plants. The proprietor has been coming for a few years and uses farmer's markets to sell his produce. He also sells to a distributor in Charlottesville and directly to some restaurants. Twin Springs Farm's produce looked delicious, fresh

and very healthy.

Another vendor at the market is Roller's Bakery, located in Waynesboro. Roller's Bakery is owned by a Mennonite couple who bake out of their home. They depend on markets such as the one in Lexington to sell their bread and pastries: the bakery does not have a store. The owners said they are pleased with the attendance at the Lexington Farmers Market

and have profited from setting up a stand weekly.

The Lexington Farmers Market offers many delicious, wholesome products, and the experience is fun. This spring term, stop by the market on Wednesdays and support local business.

More spring songs

WLUR has smokin' tracks for your iPod

By WLUR Staff
STAFF WRITER

We return with advice on how to navigate the endless stream of new independent music and find the very best of the bunch:

Caribou

Swim (Merge)

One of the most rewarding things about listening to Caribou is that Dan Snaith has never made the same record twice. In his excellent review of *Swim* on AllMusic.com, Tim Sendra describes the previous LPs from Caribou (originally known as Manitoba): "the left-field IDM of *Start Breaking My Heart*, the shimmering neo-shoegaze of *Up in Flames*, the spare Krautrock of *The Milk of Human Kindness*, and the songcraft of *Andorra*."

There are elements that mark those albums as Snaith's work throughout, and until 2007's *Andorra*, there seemed to be a very logical progression—culminating in that brilliant release from three years ago, which won Canada's Polaris Music Prize.

If you're expecting more psychedelic pop on *Swim*, you're in for a huge surprise. But it's ultimately a pleasant one: this is the best Caribou record yet. It's much more electronic than anything Snaith has recorded since *Up in Flames* and yet still as accessible as his pop-leaning recent work. Let the man himself explain: "The real substance of the sound of the record for me is this idea of making dance music that consists of liquid elements... Everything is washing around you while you're listening to it."

Critics and fans are already calling this Caribou's masterpiece. If his first decade of work is any indication, Snaith may put out a record in two or three years that somehow manages to trump his first five LPs. But, it's one of the best records of 2010. Check out "Odessa," "Leave House," "Jamelia" (featuring vocals from Born Ruffians frontman Luke Lalonde) and "Kaili."

The Living Sisters

Love to Live (Vanguard)

Before I read a brief April 23 NPR-ticle about The Living Sisters, I thought they sounded a bit familiar: The Bird and the Bee's Inara George, Lavender Diamond's Becky Stark and stellar solo performer Eleni Mandell let their lovely voices melt together on *Love to*

Live, the first official release since they began their collaboration in 2006. With tinges of country, jazz and soul, these Sisters make beautiful (pop) music together that calls to mind the melding harmonies of Jenny Lewis & the Watson Twins' *Rabbit Fur Coat*. While "Ferris Wheel" and "You Make Me Blue" are early standouts, most of the songs on this all-too-brief record are worth a spin.

Sam Amidon

I See the Sign
(Bedroom Community)

A superb record from Vermont native Sam Amidon, who spins traditional songs and modern works—*I See the Sign* features a cover of an R. Kelly song, "Relief"—into beautifully orchestrated folk. Amidon plays the banjo and guitar, and his "intimate, unshowy voice" has been compared to Arthur Russell (*Q Magazine*); his songs are fleshed out by the production of Icelandic wizard Valgeir Sigurdsson and the arrangements of Amidon's long-time friend and collaborator, the composer Nico Muhly. Truly wonderful music that will appeal to fans of Nina Nastasia, Bill Callahan (smog), and Bonnie "Prince" Billy (who has also been known to cover R. Kelly).

First Aid Kit

The Big Black and The Blue
(Wichita)

Finally, First Aid Kit has an album! The duo, made up of Swedish sisters Johanna and Klara Soderberg, are probably familiar to many Fleet Foxes fans who have ever searched "Tiger Mountain Peasant Song" on YouTube—the duo's cover is the first result, with over a million views. Sadly, that track isn't included on the sisters' debut, but the album more than delivers. Its vocal-heavy folk, with some slightly instrumentation that only serves to highlight said vocals, and for good reason—their voices and harmonies are phenomenal (PHE-NOMENAL) and the oftentimes wistful folk they sing is a perfect fit. Try "In the Morning," "Hard Believer," "Heavy Storm," and "I Met Up with the King."

Check out more music reviews at WLUR's very own music blog at <http://wlurradio.blogspot.com>, or listen on channel 91.5 FM or online at <http://wlur.wlu.edu>.

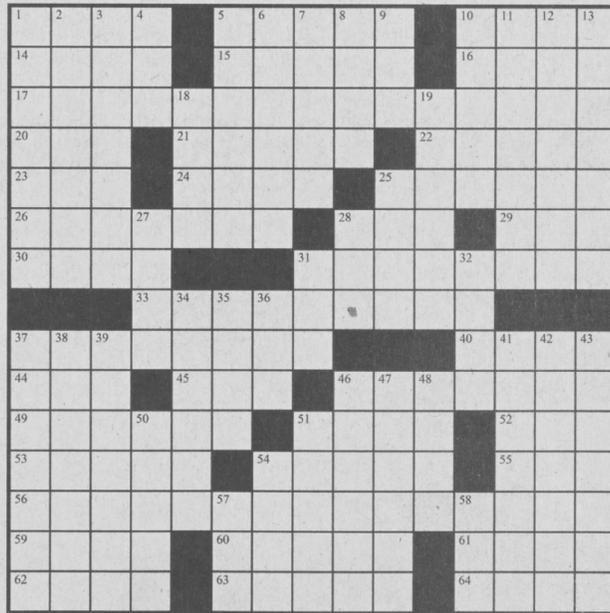
Crossword of the week

A Cappella Festival by Neville L. Fogarty

For the solution to this puzzle, visit phicrosswords.tumblr.com.

ACROSS

- Subculture taking its name from a Germanic tribe
- Points of undifferentiability, sometimes
- McKee who set a game show record in 1980
- Dept. of Labor div.
- Via of note
- Rajah's wife
- One of W&L's four a cappella groups
- Diet drink introduced in 1963
- Pass out
- Nerve known as the funny bone
- Turabian alternative
- With competence
- Combine RNA
- With 33-Across, one of W&L's four a cappella groups
- Daniel ___ Kim ("Lost" actor)
- La-la lead-in
- Gambler's concern
- Staked one's winnings on a second bet
- See 26-Across
- Mall cops, for example
- Google VoIP product
- Madiŝon, e.g.
- Old-time film studio
- One of W&L's four a cappella groups
- Tropical fever
- "Arrested Development" maid
- This clue's number plus IV
- Where to find Alaska or Hawaii
- Ref Quirk on "GUTS"
- French possessive
- One of W&L's four a cappella groups
- Chemin de Fer de La ___ (French railway)
- Low NBC workers
- Safe, on board
- Cell sort



- Color whose name comes from a place known for deposits of lapis lazuli
- Env. datum
- "TTYL!"
- Like a doughnut
- "Acadian Driftwood" rock group
- Variety show "Hee ___"
- Wintery melon
- Like a hard battle
- Enemy thrown by Lakitu in Mario games
- Nearly half a liter
- Droop, as with age
- Wreak havoc online
- 9PM Fox News show
- Good-sized lot
- Take "darn" for "dam," perhaps
- Way off
- King's birthplace?
- Delhi wrap
- Jacob's twin
- Marx's "___ Kapital"
- Liberal arts dept.
- Naysayer
- "Sex for Dummies" author
- Henry who voices Cleveland Brown
- Simpson trial judge
- Brutalities
- Make smooth
- Official reprimand
- In the end
- Pried
- Bottom
- "Power" product hawked by Jack La Lanne
- Started a revolt
- Show a big smile
- "After the bad guys!"
- "Dude" sound
- Caillat's duetist on "Lucky"
- Nixon-proposed health gp.
- Airspace regulators



sports

Growing pains for young Generals

Weather, tough schedule hinder W&L's quest to defend its ODAC crown

By Stephen Peck
STAFF WRITER

The Washington and Lee baseball team's 2010 season came to an end on April 25 when a ninth-inning rally versus Lynchburg fell short. The 8-3 loss finished off a

ODACs and we were unable to play consistently good baseball and fulfill our potential," junior outfielder Anthony Cardona added.

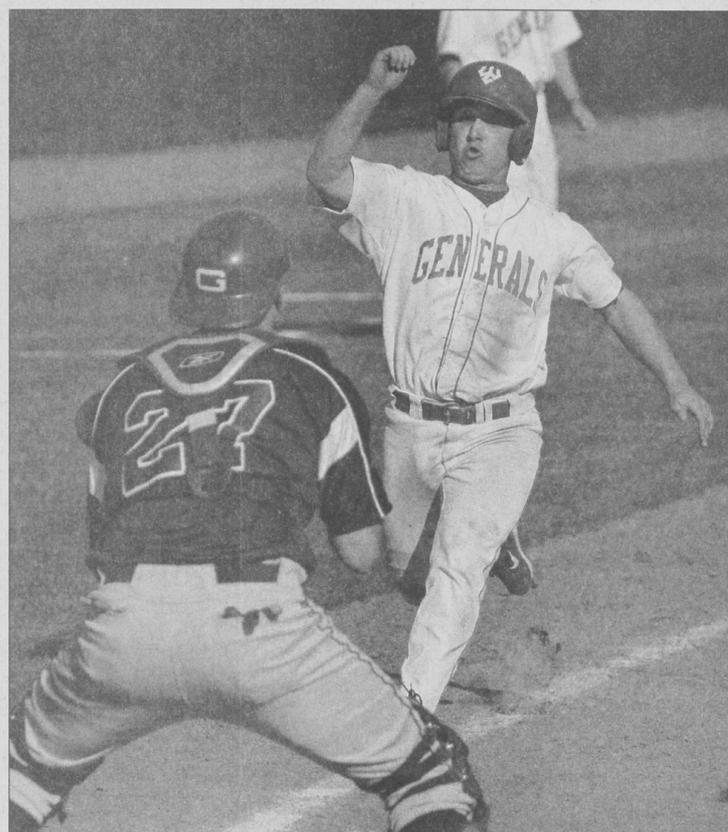
Captain Will Lewis ended his career at W&L with a spectacular .403 average. Senior second baseman John Ditore caught on fire at the plate in early March, leading the team in hits, runs, doubles and batting average (.500) during a significant stretch of the season. Junior pitcher Gregg Laswell struck out 46 batters in his 43 innings of work. And on March 23, the Generals wove together a masterpiece performance and knocked off Shenandoah, the No. 20 ranked team in the nation, by a score of 16-11.

But none of that can match the best moment of the year though for W&L baseball. In the first game of the ODAC tournament, W&L was the No. 1-seeded Hampden-Sydney. HSC had swept the Generals in a doubleheader during the regular season, but none of that mattered when W&L entered the ninth inning in a 2-2 tie on April 24. Leading off the bottom of the ninth, sophomore second baseman Alston James crushed a long fly ball. It carried over the fence for a walk-off home run and an opening round victory. As the team raucously celebrated at home plate, the excitement of last year's run to the ODAC championship was in the air.

"I really felt we were going to win it again," Davidson said.

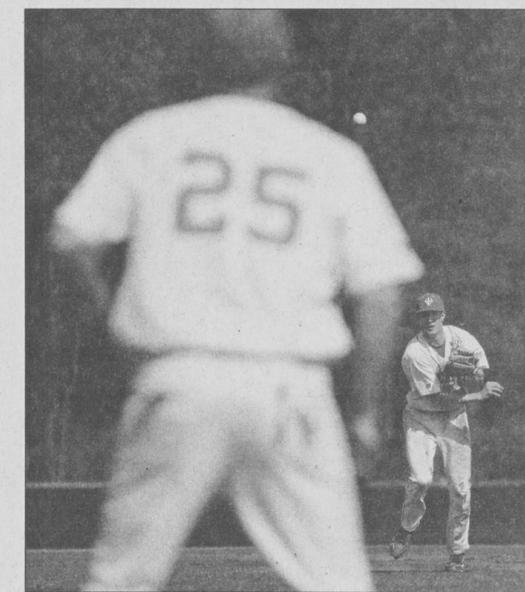
"That game was one of the best all-around baseball games I have ever been a part of. It was a total team effort in which we executed flawlessly in every aspect of the game," Cardona said. "That day, we were a team who not only wanted to win, but showed that we knew how to win. That is what we will be looking for all of next year."

Next year does look bright for the Generals. The team returns 24 underclassmen including Cardona, Laswell, James and first-year shortstop Johnathan Stutts, whose



STEELE BURROW / Staff Photographer

W&L went 9-5 overall at home, including a doubleheader sweep of Guilford on March 20.



First-year shortstop Jonathan Stutts fires to first during a March 20 game versus Guilford.

roller-coaster year for the Generals, one in which the defending ODAC champs dealt with tough weather, a young team and a difficult schedule. The team was never able to recapture last year's magic, and closed out their spring with a 14-19 overall record (8-10 ODAC).

"It is difficult to say that the season was not a disappointment," said senior captain and starting pitcher Chuck Davidson.

"We were obviously all disappointed with the overall outcome of the season. Our record was not pretty, we came up just short at

At times it was a struggle for head coach Jeff Stickley's crew. The Generals had to deal with an abnormal winter in Lexington, one that blanketed Cap'n Dick Smith field in snow until late February. The team then opened its season with four straight losses at a tournament in Atlanta. They were not able to string a two-game winning streak together until March 20. And while they sported a respectable 9-5 record in home games, they were just 3-12 away from Lexington.

However, there were a number of memorable moments. Senior

345, batting average was second on the team behind Lewis.

"We have the coaches [who] know what it takes and I think next year we look forward to having the perfect combination of leadership, talent, and attitude to maximize this team's potential and win," Cardona said.

Those six seniors who are graduating will no doubt be

missed, however. Captains Davidson and Lewis, along with Ditore, Nate Adkins, Jim Plantholt and Hunter Serenbetz put in four quality years for the program, and won an ODAC championship along the way. Their contributions do not stop at win-loss records. They have laid the groundwork for future success in the program through

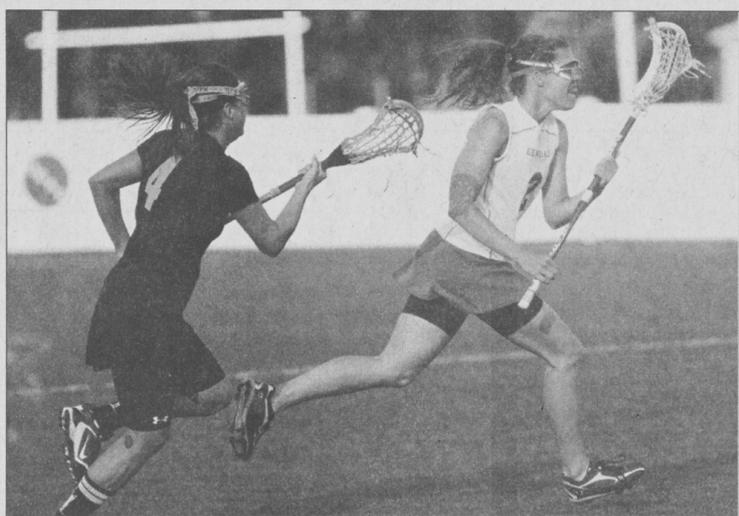
their commitment and leadership, two qualities that future teams will take with them.

Fall baseball will arrive soon, and expectations are already high for a team that learned so much from the adversity thrown at it this year.

Dominant season for women's lax

Generals' early challenges prepared them for undefeated run through the ODAC

By Lizz Dye
STAFF WRITER



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Junior midfielder Kate Donnelly sprints past a Randolph-Macon defender during the ODAC tournament semifinals. The Generals won 16-4, capturing the conference championship.

The Washington and Lee women's lacrosse team faced a number of challenges, but kept its focus on taking back the ODAC Championship title and making a mark in the NCAA tournament. The Generals did just that, defeating Lynchburg College 14-6 on May 1 to capture the conference title.

The Generals (14-4, 8-0 in the ODAC) started their season with a tough game against Salisbury, which resulted in a 10-4 loss.

"Our schedule was designed this season to be very tough on the early side with contests against Salisbury (ranked No. 2 nationally), F&M (No. 3), Cortland (No. 6) all in our first seven games.

Such a tough start, while difficult at times, created an inevitable learning curve and growth factor for our team, which I believe really readied us for our ODAC conference games," coach Brooke Diamond said. "As coaches, this

and show them the level at which the top teams in DIII play. They have responded extremely well and we believe that we are playing our best lacrosse in May, which is exactly what every coach aims for at the start of the season."

"This team has learned how to compete, fight and stick together – we as coaches couldn't be prouder of their progress,"

BROOKE DIAMOND, head coach

is exactly what we wanted to do this season: test our team early

Despite losses to these formidable opponents, the Generals

recorded some wins early in the season, blowing out Bridgewater 20-4 in a conference game and winning a non-ODAC game 14-6 against St. Mary's.

Coming off a dominant 20-8 conference win over Virginia Wesleyan, the Generals lost to Union College in what Diamond called the low point of the season.

"At that point, the team rallied together, we as coaches increased the level of difficulty in practice and the team as a whole transformed into a whole new team with a new mind-set," she said. "I truly believe that embarrassing loss was the springboard for our undefeated season in the ODAC and our big win over a tough Catholic team."

After the Union loss, the Generals would not lose a game. Highlights include a 9-7 victory over 2009 ODAC champion Roanoke College, an 11-5 win over Lynchburg College, and a slim 9-8 win versus Randolph-Macon. The Generals faced Randolph-Macon again in the first round of the ODAC championship and beat them soundly, 16-4 victory, demonstrating that their previous victory was not mere chance.

"Our defense has been very strong all season, from our goalkeeper play through our re-defending," Diamond said. "Additionally, one of the most difficult things for teams to stop this year has been our well-balanced attack. No one on the team has more than 40 pts which makes our attack extremely multi-faceted—we never know who our goal scorers will be on a given day—anyone can step up which is very difficult to defend."

Diamond added that the team

is extremely excited to realize their goal of winning back the ODAC title. They will head back to the NCAAs in the coming weeks.

"This team has learned how to compete, fight and stick together—we as coaches couldn't be prouder of their progress," Diamond said.

Despite the ups and downs of the season, the Generals' determination and consistent team play helped them find success in the ODAC tourney, a trend will attempt to continue in the NCAAs.

The Generals play in the first round of the NCAA tournament on May 12. Their competitor is yet to be announced.



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in the numbers

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Pitches thrown by actor Will Ferrell in a minor-league relief appearance for the Triple-A Round Rock Express. Posing as Rojo Johnson, Ferrell threw behind the batter before being ejected and chased around the outfield.

10

The number of players on W&L's women's lacrosse team with at least 10 goals. The balanced attack propelled the Generals to the ODAC title and into the NCAA tournament.

17-23

The win-loss record for Oakland A's pitcher Dallas Braden before he became the 19th player ever to throw a perfect game on Sunday. It took the 26-year-old 109 pitches to shut down the Tampa Bay Rays.

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The amount the Oakland Raiders will have paid quarterback JaMarcus Russell when his contract expires. Oakland released the former No. 1 draft pick on May 6 after three unproductive seasons.

soapbox

"I don't think we lost anything, even with McNabb being gone."

Eagles wide receiver DeSean Jackson, following up on early comments that he was "very happy with the decision" to trade quarterback Donovan McNabb to the Washington Redskins.

"First a comment ... that's a good color on you."

A reporter to Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard, who attended a press conference wearing a bright pink shirt. Howard was so surprised by the aside that he had to compose himself before answering the reporter's question.

"I think that was the most exciting double in PNC Park history."

Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder Lastings Milledge, after he was tagged out rounding the bases for what he thought was a home run. In reality, the ball hit off the top of the wall and bounced back onto the field.

Sports' saddest stat

Yeardey Love's death puts spotlight on athletes and violence

By Adam Cancryn
SPORTS EDITOR

On Sunday, May 2, Yeardey Love was a 22-year-old athlete just days away from her college graduation. By the next morning, she had become yet another statistic in what is sports' most disturbing trend.

Late that Sunday night, ex-boyfriend and fellow University of Virginia student-athlete George Huguely kicked down Love's bedroom door and forced his way inside. Court documents released Tuesday detail a brutal encounter, in which Huguely assaulted her, "shaking Love so that her head repeatedly hit the wall."

Roommates found Love's beaten body early Monday, her face badly bruised and her right eye swollen shut. Police described the cause of death as blunt force trauma.

Charlottesville police arrested Huguely, a senior lacrosse player, the next morning. Since then, the investigation into Love's tragic death has painted a grim portrait of Huguely as a student-athlete whose sense of entitlement and above-the-law attitude left him unprepared and unable to deal with any amount of failure or rejection.

By all accounts, Huguely was brought up through a system that told him he couldn't fail. Growing up in suburban Chevy Chase, Md., he went to high school at the \$29,000-per-year Landon School. The son of a successful businessman, he vacationed at his family's \$1.2 million house in Palm Beach, Fla. He was hugely popular in high school and college, according to friends and acquaintances. At every step along the way, George Huguely experienced only the best.

In school and on the field, Huguely also was the best. At Landon, he was a three-time honor roll student, quarterback

of the football team and an All-American lacrosse "prodigy." U-Va. recruited him to play for their revered program, which is currently ranked No. 1 in the country. In his 22 years, Huguely rarely experienced failure.

But while he might have been the king of his own little world, cracks of insecurity and egotism showed through. In November 2008, an extremely drunk Huguely was arrested in front of a Washington and Lee

relatively few cases of student-athletes murdering their peers, studies have shown that athletes are more likely to engage in violence against women than the general population.

In a Benedict-Crosset study, researchers tracked 30 major Division I universities over three years. Though male student-athletes made up just 3.3 percent of the college population, they were found to represent one-fifth of sexual assault perpetrators and 35

showed at some universities with alcohol, drugs and women. Talented high schoolers are given a free ride to college before they've even begun the ninth grade. Some might argue that it's merely a consequence of sports as a business, but nevertheless it is stunting athletes' growth as human beings.

Perhaps the saddest part of all of this is that our culture has largely complied with this shift. It is a compliance that takes many forms. Sometimes it is active participation: there is extensive evidence that a janitor scrubbed the bathroom clean minutes after Ben Roethlisberger's alleged sexual assault of a woman in a Milledgeville bar. Sometimes it's a passive attitude: of 168 sexual assault allegations against athletes from 1992 to 2003, just 22 went to trial and only seven ended in convictions.

But most times compliance means ignoring the warning signs. A *Washington Post* story cited an altercation with Love two months before her death in which the two had to be separated. And in the days following their break-up, Huguely sent Love harassing e-mails and later stole her computer. Police later found it, along with a red-stained U-Va. lacrosse T-shirt.

For those who follow sports at any level, it is difficult not to idolize those on the field or the court. Admiration is not wrong. But allowing that admiration to perpetuate the acceptance of poor and sometimes violent behavior is a habit we must all strive to end.

Yeardey Love's death is a tragedy, but it will be equally as tragic if we learn nothing from it.

Huguely is not an anomaly. While there are relatively few cases of student-athletes murdering their peers, studies have shown that athletes are more likely to engage in violence against women than the general population.

fraternity house. During the incident, he berated the female police officer, hurling racial and sexist obscenities and threatening to kill her. At one point he wrestled her to the ground, forcing the officer to use her Taser. In addition to being drunk in public, he was charged with public swearing and resisting arrest. Friends of Huguely told *ABC News* he had a temper and problems with alcohol.

And so when Love ended their relationship, that entitlement-driven anger reared its head once again, combining with what police expect to find was both alcohol and drugs to result in her assault.

Unfortunately, Huguely is not an anomaly. While there are

percent of domestic violence perpetrators.

This finding was supported by a Georgetown study that found its student-athletes being arrested and charged with violent assault at double the rate of the rest of the campus population.

In Huguely's case as well as many others, these statistics are a result of a system of privilege that provides athletes with everything and teaches them nothing. In the hyper-glorified world of sports today, athletics are often no longer about building character but building popularity, money and prestige. Pro athletes are paid hundreds of millions of dollars. College athletes are campus celebrities,

A defensive mindset

Generals' 15th-ranked defense set the tone for 2010 season

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The Washington and Lee Generals men's Lacrosse team ended their 2010 campaign with a 15-7 loss to conference rival Roanoke College in the ODAC tournament semifinals.

But while the Generals (11-6, 4-3 in the ODAC) fell short of the conference title and an

short of some of our goals, the men on the team really came together and had a great time on and off the field."

Of the Generals' six losses, only one was decided by more than three goals. Much of the team's success was due to W&L's 15th-ranked defense,

Will Keigler ended his senior season ranked as the 6th all-time point-getter in W&L lacrosse history with 212 points (102 goals, 110 assists). He is just one of four Generals ever to score both over 100 goals and 100 assists. He earned 1st team all-conference honors along

while Wernecke earned an honorable mention. It was the second consecutive second team honor for Smith.

McCabe said it will be sad to see such a strong senior class graduate this spring.

"The seniors performed very well throughout their four years with the program and their presence and impact on the team will be lasting," he said.

Despite the enormous amount of leadership and talent that will be graduating at the end of this academic year, the Generals are optimistic going forward.

"Many first year and sophomores played well and were regular contributors on and off the field," McCabe said.

Promising young talent and commitment is a staple of a strong program, and W&L expects to maintain that. With the season finished, fans can look forward to yet another promising season next year when the Generals will return a significant amount of starters and key contributors.



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The Washington and Lee Generals line up before a game during their spring season. W&L went 11-6 overall, falling in the second round of the ODAC tournament.

NCAA tournament bid, the season featured a number of individual accomplishments and season highlights.

"It was a great season. When you win 11 games, that means a lot of success," head coach Gene McCabe said. "Although we fell

where senior goalie Matt Mason allowed just 6.7 goals per game. Led sophomore Joe LaSala, junior Austin Wernecke and senior Tyler Smith, the back line also scooped 97 ground balls and forced 77 turnovers.

Offensively, senior captain

with senior specialist Kevin Feeney, who ranked fourth in the conference in faceoff percentage (.578) and recorded 13 points (12 G, 1 A).

Seniors Smith and Logan Bartlett and LaSala made the all-conference second team,