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Alums come home

Young Alumni Weekend brings 800 guests back to school

By Happy Carlock
STAFF WRITER

About 800 guests travelled from all over the country to reunite with old classmates and cheer on the Generals.

For the past three years, Young Alumni Weekend has brought former students back to Washington and Lee for the Homecoming football game and five ten-year reunions. Executive Director of Alumni Affairs Beau Dudley helped develop the first Young Alumni Weekend in 2009.

"This is an event that we created just three years ago when we realized that we were not doing right by our youngest alumni," Dudley said. "We asked a number of young alumni to help us design it so it would appeal to that generation of students."

Originally, all alumni were invited to Homecoming weekend, but quality and attendance fell over the past 15 years. The Alumni Association reorganized the weekend in order to bring more alumni back and improve connections with recent graduates.

"What we discovered is that we were pairing our oldest alumni — people who had attended their 50th reunion — with our most recent five graduating classes," Dudley said. "It's hard to construct a weekend that will make both of those groups happy, so we simply converted

Homecoming weekend into Young Alumni Weekend."

The Alumni Association now holds three reunion weekends: Five Star Festival in September, Alumni Weekend in early May, and Young Alumni Weekend in October.

Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs Jen Utterback, the mastermind behind the organization of Young Alumni Weekend, began scheduling the weekend a year ago.

"Once last year's Young Alumni Weekend ended, a day or two later I booked all the hotels, but my conference calls and main focus on it was over the summer," Utterback said. "The registration goes out in July, so pretty much from July 1, it's game on."

The weekend began Friday for returning alumni with registration and a campus tour at noon, followed by class receptions at 6:30 p.m.

"All young alumni are welcome back, but we honor the fifth and tenth reunions with class receptions," Utterback said. "At the class receptions they take their class photos and present their class gifts. President Ken Ruscio accepts the checks and gives brief remarks, thanking the class for raising the money."

On Saturday, alumni attended a tail-



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gate on the law school lawn before the Homecoming football game, but the main event of the weekend took place Saturday night.

"The final event, which is the biggest, is the wine tasting and barbecue on the front lawn on Saturday night from 6:30 to 9 p.m.," Utterback said. "We have a live band, and six Virginia vineyards that bring their wine and set up booths so people can go around and have a taste. We also have Virginia beer coming this year, and W&L catering does their great

barbecue."

About 550 alumni and their guests attended the wine tasting, along with the Class of 2012. Recent graduates such as Christine Balistreri '11, enjoyed reconnecting with old friends. Balistreri is now an admissions counselor in the W&L Office of Admissions.

"I'm most looking forward to everyone coming back and attending the harvest dinner on Wednesday night (in the Marketplace) with my housemates," Balistreri said. "Six of the seven Lodell

ladies will be back."

Balistreri said she decided to work in the admissions office after graduating as a way to give back to the University and help shape its future. She said she believes that Young Alumni Weekend benefits the community as a whole.

"It highlights the special bond that every graduate has to W&L," she said. "How many schools have as good of a young alumni attendance as us?"

Mock Con: Choose your state

State Delegation Fair this Wednesday gives students the chance to choose their state for the 2012 Convention

By Neil Haggerty
STAFF WRITER

The Washington and Lee Mock Convention is getting ready to kick off the new school year with the State Delegation Fair on Oct. 5 in Stemmons Plaza. Students interested in participating in the Convention must attend this fair in order to join a state delegation.

The fair will act as both a recruitment event for state chairs and an opportunity for students to talk to state chairs before deciding which delegation to join.

"This is the last opportunity to get involved with the Convention, so we would really love to see a great turnout," said Mock Con Public Relations Chair Kelli Jarrell.

On each state or territory delegation, students will have the opportunity to design the state float for the Mock Convention parade, help with political research, help with public relations for the state and coordinate special events for the delegation.

Several subcommittees will also be recruiting students at the State Delegation Fair.

Jarrell said students must be aware that outside of the Steering Committee and the Executive Committee, "no student — even current subcommittee members — will be able to attend the convention unless he or she is a member of a state delegation."

There are currently five Executive Committee members, 28 Steering Committee members and over 50 state

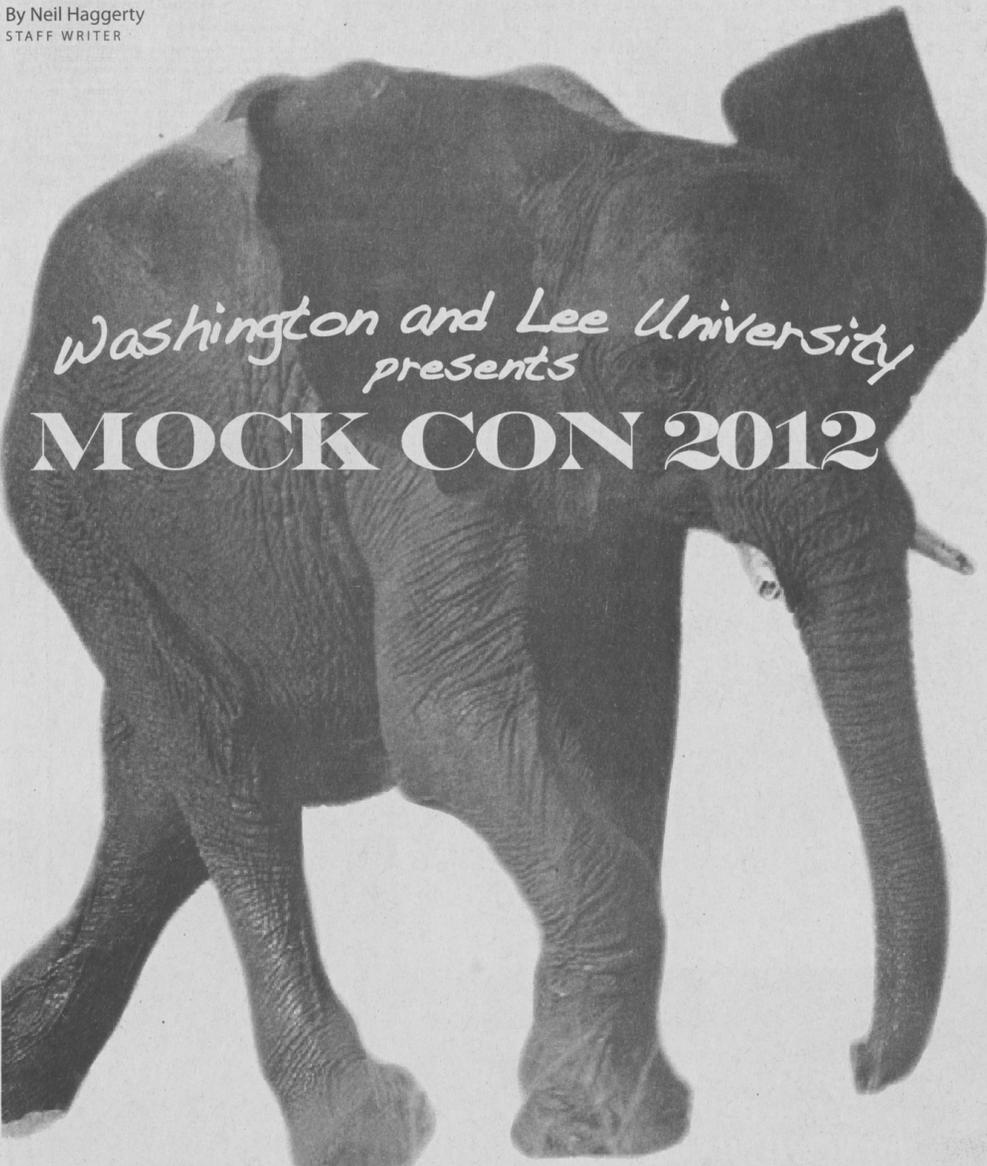
chairs involved in Mock Con this year. According to Communications Chair Kali McFarland, Mock Convention has had "98 percent participation in the past, and we want to beat that this year."

"The PR team's goal is to see 100 percent participation from the student body, as well as high levels of participation from Lexington community members," said Jarrell. "One of the best things about Mock Convention, in my opinion, is that it is one of the unique things about W&L that really unites the whole student body and encompasses every aspect of student life here."

There is one state chair position still available for interested students. At 11:59 p.m. tonight, Mock convention will be accepting applications for the Iowa state chair position that can be submitted via email to Political Chairman Zach Wilkes '12.

To keep track of what is going on with the convention, students should "like" the Mock Convention page on Facebook and follow @mockcon2012 on Twitter. Other events coming up later in the fall include a silent auction during Parent's Weekend and the Presidential Gala in November.

Said Jarrell: "There is literally a job for everyone to do...political aficionado, the party planner, the graphic designer, the organizer, and so on and so forth."



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Task force to review residential life

President Ruscio's charge leads to review of all aspects of residential life at Washington and Lee

By Drew Carlos
STAFF WRITER

President Ken Ruscio has decided to take action towards improving residential life at Washington and Lee. A residential life task force will be reviewing all elements of residential life this fall.

Dean of Students Sidney Evans said this type of review is "something that universities do periodically because you want your residence halls to have the amenities and the programming that students expect."

Evans said the task force is to "look at residence life all across the board: facilities, programming, first-year, and upper-class."

The task force's first objective, as stated by their plan found on the W&L website is to "clarify and refine the plan for first year residential life students."

Next, as stated in the plan, the task force will "analyze the current living patterns of sophomores, juniors, and

seniors, including data on where they live."

Greek housing also falls into this category. Evans said that it is an "important part of the community," but that "we don't have any preconceived notions as to how it is going to fit in. We want to make sure we are providing opportunities and options for all of our students, Greek and non-Greek."

After reviewing everything and col-

lecting all of the data, the task force will then submit their recommendations to the president to be reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

While all of these tasks are important to the future aspects of improving social and residential life, the options for improvement must always be reasonable financially. Whenever one decides to go about renovation it is going to cost money, and there are limits to what can

be done.

Although it's still early in the process, Dean Evans said a preliminary report will be ready for consideration by the end of the academic year.

Said Evans: "We are trying to look at first-year housing first...you want to make sure the housing is safe. You want to make sure that the housing supports our programming efforts. You want to have housing that students like."

Fighting for cancelled classes

Law student's petition calls for a day off of school in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

By Kelsy McCraw
COPY EDITOR

A petition is circulating among law students for Washington and Lee University to even more formally recognize Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The petition, crafted by David Knoespel '14L, requests that W&L cancel classes every third Monday of January to "honor the principles that Dr. King championed."

"Ceasing classes on MLK Day would give us a formal occasion to think about what MLK's policies mean to us as a community, (and as) individuals," Knoespel wrote on the petition. "While some would surely use the day for other purposes, others could use it for discussion, self-reflection, or mere appreciation of how far we have come and how far we still need to go."

Knoespel said he created the petition on change.org, an online petition platform, after law school orientation, during which he and his fellow 1-L students learned they would not get the national holiday off. Knoespel started the petition as a means to instigate discussion about the issue.

"It's a very personal issue to a lot of people, not just important to the students of color, and I think that Martin Luther King is the type of person we really should celebrate here at Washington and Lee," he said in an interview. "He was a public servant who stood for honor and died for justice."

Since its creation about three weeks ago, the petition has garnered over 124 signatures. Knoespel says that even more law students and faculty have expressed their support for it, though they declined to put their name on an official petition.

One signee, identified as Koral Fuselman '12L, wrote on the petition's webpage, "Not only is it offensive that we don't honor or celebrate this man and his accomplishments, it is APPALLING that we celebrate Robert E. Lee's birth-

day [three days before]. The contrast could not be more striking. I am mortified yearly when I explain to friends and family throughout the country how W&L conducts itself at this time of year..."

Knoespel, who is from Charlotte, N.C. and received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, agreed that not

cally targeting the law school, citing that W&L, Liberty University, and the University of Richmond are the only law schools between D.C. and Texas that do not cancel classes on the holiday.

Associate Dean of Students Tamara Futrell organizes the undergraduate celebration of MLK, Jr. Day. She said the law school tried an adjusted class sched-

on President's Day unless it falls during our regularly scheduled [Washington] break. There are other national holidays on which we hold classes: Columbus Day and Veterans Day immediately come to mind."

MLK, Jr. Day, which falls on January 16 in 2012, became an official national holiday when Ronald Reagan signed it into law in 1983, after King's assassination in 1968.

The state of Virginia first incorporated it with Lee-Jackson Day to create Lee-Jackson-King Day because of the proximity of the three figures' birthdays, January 19, 21, and 15, respectively.

However, in 2000, the state legislature separated the two days because of the incongruent messages between Lee-Jackson Day and MLK, Jr. Day—the celebration of two prominent Confederate generals, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson, and the celebration of a prominent national figure in the Civil Rights Movement of the '60s who advocated for equal legal and social rights for all human beings.

Lee-Jackson Day falls on the second Friday of January, just three days before MLK, Jr. Day. The holiday will be celebrated on January 13 in 2012.

Virginia is the only state to recognize Lee-Jackson Day as a state holiday.

In the past, the University has implemented an adjusted class schedule for the celebration of Founder's Day every January 19. The revised schedule accommodates a mid-day convocation to induct new members to Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society founded at W&L in 1914. The convocation also spotlights a distinguished speaker on some aspect of the University's history.

Strong says that, while Lee was the subject of last year's speech, the topics vary from year to year. He says that this

year's speaker will be the author of a new biography of George Washington, the University's other namesake.

The Stonewall Brigade Camp of the city of Lexington, a fraternal organization of male descendants of Confederate soldiers, organizes the events honoring Lee-Jackson Day, including a memorial service in honor Lee and Jackson, who spent much of their post-war efforts shaping W&L and Virginia Military Institute, in Lee Chapel.

The celebrations of Lee-Jackson Day are not affiliated with the University. W&L allows for the use of Lee Chapel for non-University functions when the use does not compromise the site's function as a University venue and public museum, does not endanger the facilities or exhibits and is consistent with good community relations.

Still, Knoespel explained that Lee-Jackson Day is an important part of the history of Washington and Lee, and that the two men stood for more than just the Confederacy.

"I don't think the two days are so diametrically opposed as all three men stood for integrity and honor," he said. "I just think they should be celebrated on the same scale."

The faculty votes every year on the academic calendar. If classes were dismissed for MLK, Jr. Day, they would have to be made up somewhere else on the calendar, though Knoespel has spoken with a few school administrators to propose an adjusted law school class schedule on the day, or making up the day by starting classes a day early or dropping one exam day.

"I'm not intent on losing valuable class time," he said. "But the symbolic value of the day is so much greater in comparison."

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DAVID KNOESPEL, '14L

ceasing classes on MLK, Jr. Day might portray the University in an unintentionally negative way.

"My friends and family (outside of W&L) are shocked when they hear we don't get classes off. Their jaws drop," he said. "The school certainly isn't turning a blind eye to the issue, but I think it might be hurting itself in its efforts to attract diverse teachers and students."

Currently, W&L celebrates MLK, Jr. Day with a keynote address on the night of the holiday, a community service project, and a birthday party in Elrod Commons for the children of Rockbridge County.

Last year, the former UN ambassador and personal friend of King, Andrew Young was the keynote speaker.

The University maintains a normal class schedule on the holiday.

Of Forbe's 2011 Top 50 American Colleges, of which W&L is ranked 25th, only six other schools do not suspend or cancel classes for MLK, Jr. Day. Many of the Top 50 schools do not start their spring semesters until after the holiday.

Knoespel started the petition specifi-

cally to accommodate MLK, Jr. Day programs, but that low attendance prompted the law faculty to reinstate a full day of classes. Her main concern is that students would not use a day off from classes for MLK, Jr. Day appropriately.

"Before we can move to more drastic measures, students need to show that they appreciate the programming that is already available to them," she said.

Futrell said current undergraduate programming has low student attendance, and that faculty and members of the Lexington community constitute the vast majority of the participants.

"Unless it can be a productive day, the students will not benefit from a day off from classes," she said.

In an email, Interim Provost Roger Strong explained that not cancelling classes on MLK, Jr. Day equals how the University handles other national holidays.

"We do not cancel classes for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. But we do not cancel classes for other national holidays," he said. "We do orientation and academic advising on Labor Day. We have class

Dove 'real woman' to talk

Famous billboard subjects coming to Washington and Lee to talk about body image

By Leigh Dannhauser
STAFF WRITER

Stacy Nadeau, a member of the Dove's Real Women advertisement campaign, is coming to Washington and Lee to speak about the messages that young women receive about body image.

On her page on the website CampusSpeak, Nadeau said the number of women who like the way they look is very low.

"A Harvard study revealed that only 2-percent of American women felt comfortable calling themselves beautiful," Nadeau said.

In 2005, Dove began using their advertisements in an effort to change those kind of statistics. They use "real women with real curves" to change people's views on beauty.

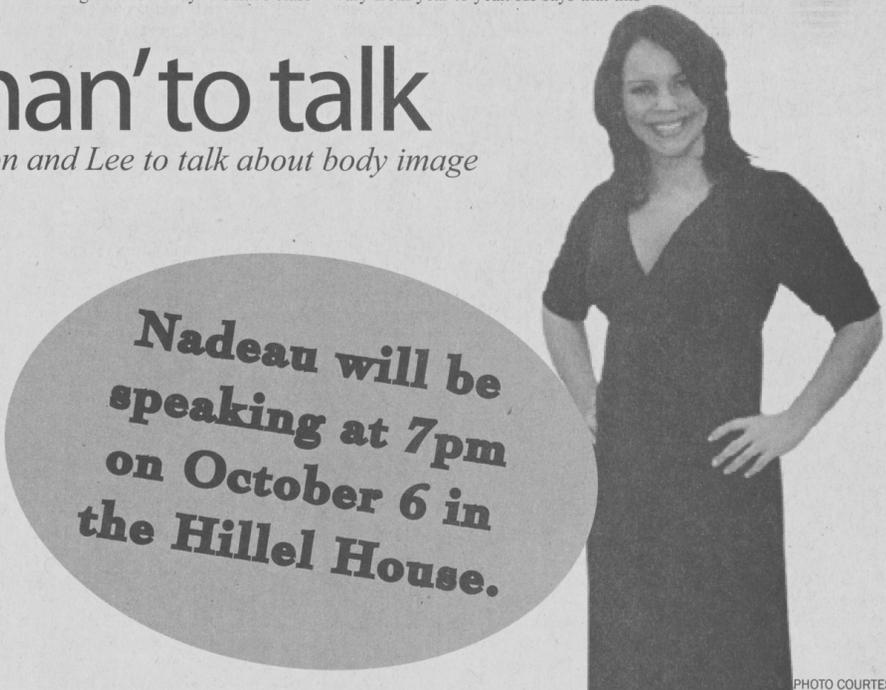
Dove's mission is "to make more

women feel beautiful every day by widening the stereotypical theme of beauty and by inspiring women to take great care of themselves."

Nadeau's speech, titled "Embracing Real Beauty," will be about Nadeau's experiences in the campaign rather than about eating disorders.

Teri Cugliari, associate director of student activities and greek life, is excited for Nadeau's appearance.

"[It is going to be] really good to bring a normal looking person who's never had an eating disorder and talk about her experience" says Cugliari.

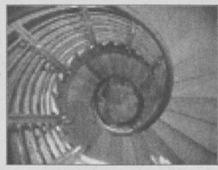


Nadeau will be speaking at 7pm on October 6 in the Hillel House.

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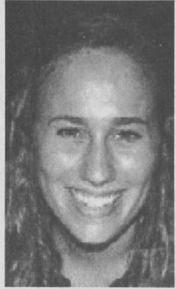
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Opinions

In defense of resident advisors

Resident Advisor Stephanie Krasnov asks students to stop blaming their RAs and take responsibility for themselves



By Stephanie Krasnov
COLUMNIST

partly to my RA.

Yes, I may have also had some awesome hall mates and been on the first co-ed hall in the school's history, but my first year as a W&L student would not have been quite as enjoyable if it weren't for my RA. It is my goal to offer the

People often ask me why I wanted to be a Resident Advisor. My sarcastic retort is simple: the D-Hall frozen yogurt. But the true reason is because my freshman year was one of the best years of my life and I attribute that

freshmen on my hall that same experience.

So when I hear that people are equating the RA staff to the "Lex-Po," and that we are being harassed at parties, I take it personally. Our job here at W&L is not to bust you guys or have you talk to the Deans. Believe me, we have better things to do with our time. Contrary to popular belief, we are actually normal students here, and surprise, surprise, we go out to parties too!

I'm sorry that if we walk by your door at 1 a.m. and see a case of Natty and SKYY Vodka on your dresser, we are going to write you up. Just like in the real world, there are rules that must be followed and the handbook does a pretty good job of outlining them.

I'm also sorry if you are blaring Michael Buble from your room in GL and we kindly ask you to turn it down because people can hear it all the way in

Davis; some students here actually need to sleep for their tests.

The RA reputation on campus is formed in the same way that party gossip is spread: you only hear the worst or most shocking stories from the night before. I have never heard anyone in the omelet line on Sunday whispering about how their RA helped walk them

in their room because they know it was dumb for them to buy liquor in the first place. It still baffles me that freshmen will go out of their way to obtain alcohol when they could more easily walk to the nearest frat house and have all the drinks they want.

I was blessed this year with a surprisingly tame hall, whose loudest moments

old kids I am supposed to keep out of trouble. From what I have seen, they are always smiling; except for when they return from calc class, but that's understandable.

At some point in time, we were all first years just like you are now, and so we understand how much fun running through the dorms at 3 a.m. is, and yes, we like to order Domino's after a party too. But just be mindful of the few rules we have, because the night you decide to stay in and study, you will appreciate it when we ask your hall mates to quiet down.

So next time you hear someone complaining about how they got a strike/incident, don't jump in and continue to bash the RAs. Maybe ask them exactly why they got in trouble; their response will probably explain it all.

I have never heard anyone in the omelet line on Sunday whispering about how their RA helped walk them home from Old House

home from Old House, or how they are so thankful that their RA took them to the health center when they were puking their brains out in the toilet. You also never hear them gossiping about how much they are sorry for having alcohol

are when they are trying to kill the cockroaches they find in the rooms. I have not had to write any of my residents up or even tell them to quiet down (knock on wood), and I personally look at them as my friends, rather than 18 and 19-year-

Dealing with a date-snatcher

How do you react when you find your date dancing with your best friend? Zuroski and Rooney offer their expertise



By Bella Zuroski and Bridget Rooney
COLUMNISTS

After you have spent an hour at the "cocktail party" watching dates awkwardly interact, you start to hear the band warming up for their Motown numbers. Obviously, it's time to make your way down to the tent to prepare for a long night of thinking

So it's that magical time of year again, the time when W&L students break out some cocktail dresses, navy blazers, and bowties and pretend they are classy real people in the outside world— it's homecoming.

you are an amazing swing-dancer. After the band plays "September," a rogue swing-dancer crashes into you and you lose the contents of your classy red solo cup from the "cocktail party," possibly on the girl next to you. Beware of this, people get aggressive when spilled on— she might even comment that if you spill on her again, "she will kick you in the face" (shout out to the girl who said that this weekend). You start to make your way to the mountain of Natty Light boxes in the back of the tent (this is obviously not a cocktail party anymore, people) so that you can have more liquid to spill on those around you. After you have wrestled your way back to where your friends are camped out on the dance floor (in front of the band, obviously), you finally find your date...dancing with your best friend. This is where this week's video, "Jackie and Debra," by John Roberts, comes into play.

Jackie and Debra are besties who are having a little trouble in paradise. Debra demonstrates some interesting techniques for hashing out this misunderstanding over what really happened on the ski trip with Robbie Blackner (she only had half a sip of a wine cooler people!). This video offers its viewers some options as to how to handle this homecoming drama.

1. *Passive aggressively ignore.* When going with this option, you have to be the friend who cares less. If you make it look like you are having a better time than your date-snatching friend, then you obviously win. Later in the night when she calls you and asks you to meet her at the Traveller stop, you can ignore her calls. "Oh look, it's my ex-best friend calling for the eighteen hundredth time. I am not talking to you, but I will text you and let you know that I am

not talking to you."

2. *Being overly-aggressive.* This is the opposite of our first strategy. In this situation, you act like your fight is going to spark World War III and if it's not resolved before the band plays Cee Lo Green's classic "F*** You," then the world as we know it will end. When using this technique, Debra teaches us that the best approach is to simply scream your friend's name over and over, getting louder each time until they are forced to acknowledge the fact that you are hovering behind her and your date. At this point, you grab her hand and pull her into the nearest bathroom, where you overanalyze everything that has happened during the night and what it means for your friendship. By the end, things will have gotten much worse or you will both be crying and telling each other how much you love each other as someone is vomiting in the stall next to you (remember,

this is a classy weekend).

3. One strategy that Debra fails to mention, but is definitely a viable option for W&L students, is to get over it and find someone else with whom to "swing dance" (aka flail your limbs drunkenly). This is Red Square, people— you are required to have a good time. So find another one of your friend's dates (preferably your date-snatching bestie's) and start the cycle over again.

**Note to the readers. Jackie and Debra are an example of frenemies. Real friends don't steal each other's dates... at least not without asking. And they definitely don't get in fights over this kind of stuff in the middle of a band party where you are supposed to be dancing. However, if by chance this situation does arise, take some advice from Debra in the area of conflict resolution. She knows what's up.*

Straight but not narrow

Ali Greenberg advises students to choose their words carefully



By Ali Greenberg
COLUMNIST

We have all heard it said before. "Stop being such a fag", "Spanish class is so gay", "Don't stay in tonight you homo."

Normal, right? Not really. It sounds ridiculous when written down on paper, yet many consider this perfectly acceptable dialogue. Can young adults not realize the absurdity of their language choices, let alone the offense it can bring?

We often don't think about our word choices, calling things "retarded" or "stupid" on a regular basis, because who are we hurting? But the fact of the matter is, those words are hurtful, and are often interchanged, along with other negative terms, for the word "gay."

For the record, "Gay" does not mean stupid. It does not mean dumb, lame, ugly, boring, annoying or frustrating. Just like "straight" does not mean smart, pretty, cool or important. Gay means gay, and that's just fine.

It is odd how a word which originated with such positive connotations: lighthearted, carefree and brilliant, has been turned into a word that is used to attribute negative characteristics to a person or a thing.

Calling someone a "faggot", which pains me to even write in this article, is wrong. It is the equivalent to calling a black person the n-word, a Hispanic a "spick" or a Jew a "kike" among many other disgusting phrases for every ethnicity, religion and culture.

Most people would never even think to use the last three words, yet the term "faggot" has entered into mainstream English, unacceptably accepted as part of our language.

I am straight, so since I am not a member of the LGBT community, I do not really know what it is like for those who are members on this campus. I do

not know what they go through, or what their experiences were growing up, so I cannot speak for them.

But as an outsider, I wouldn't call W&L as a whole an extremely welcoming community for LGBT students, although I will give credit where credit is due and say that I expected a lot worse from such a conservative and southern school. Again though, I have no personal experience to go off of.

What I do know is that in the last few years, suicides by LGBT youth have been in the headlines nationwide. LGBT youth are twice as likely as straight youth to be victims of bullying at school and four times more likely than straight youth to attempt suicide.

Yet, in a time when we are making more strides than ever in the acceptance of the LGBT community (repeal of DADT, Gay marriage legalization in many states, LADY GAGA), it is sad to know that the LGBT youth are continuously subjected to teasing and bullying in American schools.

The "It Gets Better" project was founded a few years ago as a means to show all gay youth that while coming to terms with who they are might be hard, and coming out harder, it will get better. Actors, athletes and musicians have come together in support of the project to record videos proclaiming the "It gets better" message.

Now many activists are asking for a formal anti-bullying law, something that would make it a criminal offense. While I wouldn't say bullying is an issue on campus, it would be difficult to say that prejudices don't come into play at times. While we do not have anyone taking first-years lunch money in D-Hall, some fraternities and sororities may discriminate against openly gay students by not giving them bids or taking the chance to get to know them as individuals.

I find issue with the use of the term "gay" as a definition of a person. While it is obviously part of who they are, it is an identifier and not necessarily a defining characteristic, and especially not the defining characteristic. A lawyer who happens to be gay is not suddenly a "gay

lawyer," they are just a lawyer.

There needs to be respect for every individual regardless of their skin color, sexual orientation, level of education, religion or country of origin, just to name a few.

Gay is not a lifestyle choice. It just is. It just exists and is part of the person regardless of whether it started at birth or developed later on in life. No one wakes up one day and says, "Hello Tuesday, it's 85 and sunny, sounds like a great day to be attracted to the same sex!" Just like straight people don't make active decisions every week to still be straight.

There should no longer be any debate over whether being gay is right or wrong. America needs to just let it be. Let us all be with whomever we want to be with as long as it is two consensual adult humans.

And to quickly touch on the topic of gay marriage, they should have every right to get married and subsequently divorced as any other American. Remember when interracial marriage was illegal, before 1967? That is how we will look back on the gay marriage debate in 20 years. Complete and utter absurdity and unconstitutional discrimination.

My message is this; think about what you say, the words you use, and how you treat others. Sexual orientation does not define a person's character, and when you use the word "gay" with a negative connotation in regards to your homework, you may unintentionally be offending those who are gay, or have gay family or friends. There are more of us around than you think.

Autumnal Reflections



By Andrea Siso
COLUMNIST

and ends with—

"And is this my final chance of getting in?"

The pool could be the sky; it holds and mirrors it. I know it wants to be the sky because it told me so. It whispers the same refrain each time the wind billows a ripple upon its surface.

I try to believe that its depth is the

Outside my window, I see life next to death. A changing tree; and a baring branch.

Behind and around; the sky. It is cloudless, so I can't go up today. And the depth. It starts with my eyes,

same; just to reassure it. It's okay, it's okay—you are the sky; (Because everyone wants to last forever).

I jumped in the frigid water (Don't worry, it's a bit warmer today).

I closed my eyes and my mouth and my lungs and my mind. White; it was the complexion of morning. But behind my eyelids, I saw night. Night and day, night and day, night and day.

I tried to remain suspended and submerged. If I stayed in these numbing depths, I could reach the heavens without needing a cloud. I could go up there, so high, so high, so high. I could see my grandfather again.

And then my feet touched the ceiling; it was the concrete end. And it felt smooth but rough. Smooth, rough and night and day. Still as night, but still as the morning. I rubbed my toes against it; but I couldn't feel the grazing.

All I felt was cold.

Want to get involved?

GLBTQ Resources on campus

New GLBTQ Resource Center located in the Hill House, by the Gaines Parking Lot.

GLBT Equality Initiative, contact barenoj13@mail.wlu.edu to be added to the mailing list.

GLBTQ Peer Counselors and Support Group, more information on the Counseling Center website.

opinions

First-Year Homecoming Impressions

Opinions editor Campbell Burr asks first-year students for a short and sweet description of their weekends

Freshman year homecoming week-end is one of my best memories. I surfed from cocktail party to cocktail party, admiring the wide assortment of drink options and bar snacks. The band parties were a dream come true for a girl

who was raised off of disco music and taught to swing dance with the same seriousness she was taught to read. I was pleasantly surprised to find that strong dancing abilities seem to be an admission requirement for male students.

The only rough point of my freshman homecoming weekend was when my left heel became stuck in the strap of my right shoe and I fell straight onto my stomach in the middle of a fraternity cocktail party. For what seemed like 30

seconds, I lay in a puddle of beer, trying to disentangle my shoes. When I finally succeeded and got up, I saw a lot of concerned faces. Minus a little embarrassment, a huge bruise on my knee, and a week-long limp, the weekend was awe-

some!
Take a look at what this year's freshmen are saying about their experiences!

Brandon Taylor
Dinwiddie, VA



Three words to describe the weekend
Fun, awesome, too-short

Best moment
Playing in the game and the after party

Tie or bow tie?
Tie all the way

Celebrity dream date
Zoe Saldana

Wendi Betting
Rome, GA



Three words to describe the weekend
Amazing, Tiring, Rager

Best moment
Dancing

Tie or bow tie?
Bow tie

Celebrity dream date
Ryan Reynolds

Lindsay Reese
Wilmington, DE



Three words to describe the weekend
Classy, Busy, Memorable

Best moment
Seeing how good everyone is at dancing in Red Square!

Favorite Song
"I Want You Back" - Jackson 5

Celebrity dream date
Vince Vaughn

Will McLendon
Marietta, GA



Three words to describe the weekend
Fun, Fanatical, and Fantastic

Favorite Song
"Let's Get It On" - Marvin Gaye

Tie or bow tie?
Bow tie

Celebrity dream date
Natalie Portman

Elizabeth Christian
Richmond, VA



Three words to describe the weekend
Fun new experience

Best moment
Going to the band party with my friends and our dates

Friday or Saturday?
Friday night because I had no idea what to expect and everything was new

Celebrity dream date
Blake Shelton

Stuart Lotz
Pittsburgh, PA



Three words to describe the weekend
A good time

Best moment
Cookout at the Cabins

Song you wish the band had played
"Uptown Girl" - Billy Joel

Celebrity dream date
Rachel McAdams

Sarah Whelihan
Washington D.C.



Three words to describe the weekend
Ouch, my head

Best moment
Who could pick? Too much fun all around

Favorite Song
"Don't Stop Believin'" - Journey

Celebrity dream date
Anderson Cooper

Hamlet Fort
Hartsville, SC



Three words to describe the weekend
Social, Exciting, Fun

Best moment
The band party at Red Square

Tie or bow tie?
Bow tie, obviously. Both nights.

Celebrity dream date
Carrie Underwood

Hannah Fiske
Simsbury, CT



Three words to describe the weekend
Too much fun

Song you wish the band had played
"Wagon Wheel" - Old Crow Medicine Show

Tie or bow tie?
Bow tie

Celebrity dream date
Wayde Marsh

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| What kind of products do you use?
Pantene flow V | What's your ideal time span between flow cuts?
2 months | "Inception" |
| How much time do you spend prepping your flow every day?
It's an all-day affair | If your flow had to describe itself in one word...
Exhilarating | What's your flow's theme song?
"Highway to the Danger Zone"
-Kenny Loggins |
| At what age did you begin to realize your flow's potential?
While I was still in the womb | What's your flow's greatest inspiration?
Ronald Reagan | How much money would it take to lose your flow for good?
Out of the question |
| What's the best complement someone's given you on your flow?
Someone asked me if I played college lacrosse | If a movie was made centered on your flow, what would it be called?
It's already been made, it's called | Describe the feeling you have when you rub your hand through the flow
Ecstasy |

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Sitting down with Hoodie Allen

Do you know what his favorite sushi roll is? We do. We know you're jealous. (It's a crunchy, crab roll, in case you're wondering)

By Sage Um
STAFF WRITER



Last Thursday, Chiddy Bang and Hoodie Allen performed at the Pavilion for a Generals Activity Board sponsored concert. Ring-tum Phi managing editor Diandra Spicak and I had a chance to sit down with opening-act Hoodie Allen a few hours before the concert for a brief Q&A session.

Ring-tum Phi: How did you get started in music?

Hoodie Allen: I've been writing and recording music since I was probably 12 or 13 years old. It was just something I did all the time when I was in high school and college and when I was about to graduate from Penn, I did a song called "You and I are Robot" that picked up some tracks online.

Phi: I read that you had a job at Google after college though?

Allen: Yeah, I was really lucky to work there when I did, but it felt like I was doing two full time jobs at the same time. Music is something I

really loved to do and it got to the point where I could see myself doing it and live off it full time. And everything else is just a job.

Phi: How'd you get to perform at W&L?

Allen: Well I'm on a college tour right now, west coast, east coast. It's actually my first show at a college in Virginia. Not UVA or VMI, but W&L.

Phi: Best thing about performing?

Allen: I think the best thing is when people are singing along and know all the words to something that I wrote. You know, they'll sing along and yell on top of their lungs. I think that's probably the best feeling while performing.

Phi: Worst thing about performing?

Allen: Just that all my clothes get drenched after performing and I feel like a disgusting human being! That's the only thing I can think of.

Phi: What are you working on now?

Allen: Well in July we released a mixtape called "Leap Year" and that's been getting around. And we started already working on

what's probably another free tape and my first proper album. So that's what's in the works now, no timeline yet.

Phi: Any favorite artists?

Allen: I've been listening to the Jay-Z and Kanye album a lot. Foster the People's album is pretty catchy, I like that. I'm not a big hip-hop person. I like Frank Ocean. I think I gravitate towards listening more to indie, pop-ish sounds. It kind of comes through in the music I perform a little bit.

Phi: Any one in particular that influences you?

Allen: My favorite artist of all time is Andre 3000. I think he's the shit. He can do everything, rap and sing and is not afraid to go anywhere with his music. I've always been a big fan of his.

Phi: Any other comments?

Allen: All my music's free online on my Facebook page... and I think W&L is going to be such a sick time.

D-Hall features local foods

Last Wednesday, the Fall Harvest Dinner tantalized tastebuds for the fifth year, focusing on foods from the area

By Cynthia Lam
STAFF WRITER

The delicious aroma of freshly-baked bread, savory meats, and steaming hot cider filled the air as hungry students, faculty, and staff ushered in the beginning of autumn with the Local Fall Harvest Dinner.

An array of dishes filled the Marketplace last Wednesday night, including polenta lasagna, Yankee pot roast, Greek salad, garden vegetables, and angel hair pasta, along with desserts such as pumpkin cheesecake bars, chocolate beet cake, and vanilla ice cream.

All of these foods came from local producers and providers within an 80-mile radius of the school.

Marketplace. Chef Geraldine Mc-

Cutcheon said, "This is the fifth year we've been doing the Fall Harvest Dinner and our goal is to celebrate the diversity of food that's available in the local market. W&L is very committed to sustainability, and part of sustainability is keeping the farming community here vital by buying local."

As part of this commitment, many of the regional produce farmers and small vendors work closely together with the university to provide fresh, healthy, and local food for the students. The beef comes from Buffalo Creek Farm right here in Lexington, Joe's Pasta in Charlottesville provides past of course, and Homestead Creamery in nearby Frank-

lin County churns the milk.

The honey is gathered at Whistle Creek Apiaries in Rockbridge Country, and the tofu is made from soy beans at the Twin Oaks Farm in Charlottesville.

All in all, over 30 percent of the food used by W&L's dining facilities is local. This includes the chicken, flour, tomatoes, potatoes, yogurt, cheese, and apples, just to name a few.

"The program has been very good for the local businesses," said McCutcheon, "There's a really good synergy between the food that the university uses and what farmers and processors have an excess of."

More importantly, she notes, this ex-

change helps protect the environment and reduce the school's carbon footprint. "Farming is a very energy-intensive business," said McCutcheon, noting the ecological costs of packing, shipping, and storing produce. "If you're buying local, all of these get out... the food choices that you make really have an impact."

The difference is not only evident in the environment, but also in the taste of the food.

"There are lots of great things about local apples... people pick them right off trees. They're not commercial, so they're not waxed or refrigerated, they're a lot fresher, a lot more sustain-

able, and of course, they're delicious," added McCutcheon.

Students have noticed the difference as well. First-year Victoria Blackstone said, "You can definitely taste the difference between the organic and the non-organic fruit. The local apples have the blemishes on it, and it makes it more real and it doesn't taste so artificial, whereas the apples that aren't local are shiny and crisp, and they're creepily perfect, but they aren't apples. I prefer the local apples."

Real friends get fit together

It's the group exercise program's "Bring a Friend Week" - tag along for free!

By Kelsey Cotter
STAFF WRITER

There's no better time than this week to try out Washington and Lee's new and improved group exercise schedule. During the week of October 2nd through October 8th the group exercise program offers "Bring a Friend Week".

Aubrey Shinofield, service-learning coordinator, said that the program's goal is to get as many people involved as possible.

A one group exercise class costs \$10, but next week students have a chance to join a friend for free who is already committed to group exercise and see how they like the workout.

Students who bring a friend can also enter their name and their friend's name in a raffle to win a semester of fitness classes for free. The raffle sign up is located in front of the studio on the fourth floor of Doremus Gym.

Shinofield says the group exercise program has introduced new classes to provide a fuller schedule for busy students.

"Some people say they don't have time to fit a class into their day, but we've expanded our range of classes and our hours to accommodate students' and faculties' schedules," says Shinofield.

"We welcome feedback. We want to know time that work best for your schedule and we will do our best to make it happen," says Shinofield.

The student teaching program is also new this fall. The goal is to train a small number of students in Pilates, spin, and kickboxing. Shinofield believes in the benefits of having students teach classes in order to spark motivation and excitement in their peers.

Sophomore Emmy DiGiovanni teaches Zumba classes on Sunday at 6:00 and Thursday at 7:00 in the dance studio. Emmy brings her own style into the class by incorporating hip-hop music into the traditional Latin music routine.

She uses songs and moves that her students like in order to bring more life to the class. "Zumba should feel like a party. The more people the better!" said DiGiovanni. She received her Zumba certification last February in North Carolina and continues to add to the program.

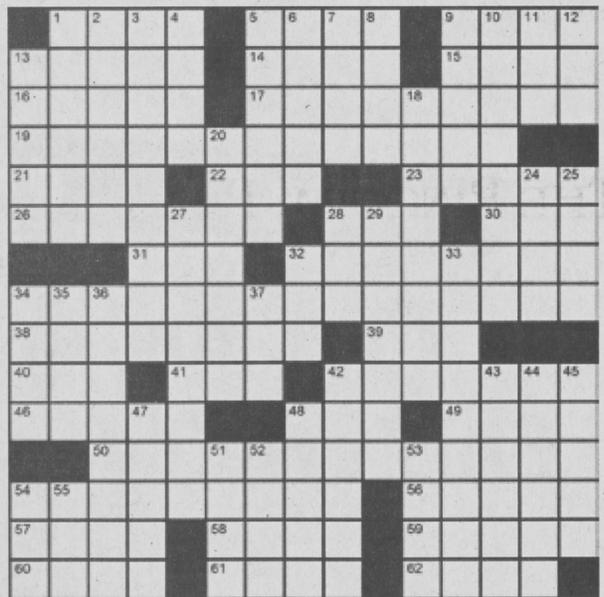
Sophomore Sarah Strunk has taken Emmy's class and loves the environment. "It's fun because one of your friends is leading you. It's not as intimidating," said Strunk.

Yeah - That Just Happened by Neville L. Fogarty '10

Note the first word of the answer to each movie-themed clue in italics

ACROSS

- 1 "___ the Man" (Amanda Bynes film)
- 5 Quatrain rhyme scheme
- 9 Badass
- 13 Pitch ___
- 14 Scottish girl
- 15 "The Office" receptionist
- 16 Main through the abdomen
- 17 Hormonal system
- 19 "Game of Thrones" network (that also airs movies!)
- 21 Bavarian river
- 22 Gp. formed at the breakup of the Soviet Union
- 23 Sister of Lucy in the funny pages
- 26 Gobi and Kalahari
- 28 Jefferson Davis's nation: Abbr.
- 30 Strip club fare, briefly
- 31 Nare's org.
- 32 TV Guide's "Greatest Television Program of All Time"
- 34 Phrase heard in ads about 5 months after a movie's theatrical debut
- 38 Like shoes banned in the chemistry lab
- 39 Attack dog's sound
- 40 NYC subway initials
- 41 Network with "Huckabee" and "Hannity," in short
- 42 Wordpress alternative
- 46 Ed of "Up"
- 48 Bite the dust
- 49 Lake that's a homophone of 47-Down
- 50 Gross figures for the movie industry
- 54 Subtitle for Tag Team's one-hit wonder "Whoomp!"
- 56 Yogi Berra, e.g.
- 57 Western African nation
- 58 '62 Connery/Andress film



- 59 Last name of Lisa "Left Eye" of TLC
- 60 Doing nothing
- 61 Paula who loves butter
- 62 Chinese currency

DOWN

- 1 Larry, Moe or Curly
- 2 "Futurama" bureaucrat
- 3 Joined, redundantly
- 4 Caesar's downfall
- 5 Bledel of "Gilmore Girls"
- 6 Mexican Johns?
- 7 Typist's tetrad
- 8 Dating from
- 9 Thanks to Gérard Depardieu?
- 10 Set straight
- 11 Feature of Jaws
- 12 Valedictorian's number
- 13 Reacted to fireworks or a massage
- 18 Leaves of coriander
- 20 Shape of a "Solitary" pod
- 24 Sch. in Sin City
- 25 Young assn. against DWIs
- 27 How unemployed college grads may live off their parents
- 28 Steve Jobs gave up this title in August 2011
- 29 Wrestler's uniform
- 32 Groundskeeper's supply
- 33 2010 hit with Xbox and Atari metaphors
- 34 Sleep on a soap
- 35 Makes a choice
- 36 Have good intentions
- 37 Texas A&M's jumping ship to it
- 42 Plays "The Price is Right," initially
- 43 Abe, on "The Simpsons"
- 44 Come on her?
- 45 Takes a breather
- 47 Bone-chilling
- 48 Battleship guess near an edge
- 51 Scottish pirate William
- 52 To be, in Aix-en-Provence
- 53 Just
- 54 "I didn't need to hear that!"
- 55 "I've been ___!"

A-Rod goes deep, Wang hurt

By CHRIS DUNCAN
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Chien-Ming Wang pitched five scoreless innings before spraining his right foot running the bases, and Alex Rodriguez hit a three-run homer in the New York Yankees' 13-0 win over the Houston Astros on Sunday.

Wang (8-2) pulled up as he rounded third on Derek Jeter's two-run single during the Yankees' eighth-inning. He hopped the rest of the way home and pointed to his right foot after scoring. A trainer rushed from the dugout to check on him and Wang was helped off the field.



FAIL

Mississippi's literacy program shows improvement

FAIL

ON TEENAGERS, AD...

Statistics show that teen pregnancy drops off significantly after age 25.

Mary Anne Toledo, Republican state legislator
(contributed by Harry F. Powers)

FAIL

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ALEXANDER MARAGOS
STEPHEN PECK


Stephen and Alex hash out this week's question: Who stands to lose the most if the NBA season is canceled? Alex says the organizations while Stephen thinks it will be the players. What's your take?

For 18 weeks and four days, football fans suffered the daily unrest that lingered for the duration of the NFL Lockout. It really seems like forever ago that I went to church every Sunday and prayed that at some point during the next week, the lockout would be miraculously lifted. The owners and players eventually put away their differences (and answered my prayers) without the schedule or the league-wide fan base taking much of a hit.

Now, with that lockout over and another one in full swing, I can honestly say that any angst over whether or not the NBA season will occur has nearly disappeared. It's not like I have a "Care Meter" when it comes to lockouts—because sports are about breaking those loyalty boundaries. However, I'm not going to lie to myself day after day believing that a huge chunk of my life will be missing if the NBA does, in fact, cancel a significant amount of regular season play.

I saw a tweet a few days ago that sums up my feelings perfectly, "My #NBA lockout indifference has reached an all-time high. There seems to be no ceiling to it either" (via @ZWMartin). It might be sad, but I continuously surprise myself with how much I don't care about this situation that seems to be spiraling to lower depths.

Now, I might not have had a lot of interest to lose to begin with, but there are many people/things that could be The Biggest Loser when all is said and done around Thanksgiving/Christmas/Valentine's Day (does anybody really know?).

My vote for who loses the most would be the group of mid to small market teams like Oklahoma City, Utah, Golden State, Phoenix and Minnesota, among others. Those teams rely on the influx of casual fans to their stadium. They don't have the consistent fan bases that the Lakers, Bulls, Celtics and many others enjoy. The smaller fan bases have a short attention span, so it's imperative that their teams remind them how good (and therefore relevant) they are.

No time is a good time for a lockout, but the NBA lockout truly comes at a terrible time for the league.

All eyes were on the NBA for a majority of last summer, as the most talented free-agent class in league history chose new homes. Every day, fans were bombarded with constant updates about what those free-agents were thinking, where they were visiting, what they were eating, what they were drinking and what their favorite color is.

The NBA received almost endless positive publicity, all thanks to a handful of very talented players. As we all know, three of the most talented players on the market decided to play together in Miami (and subsequently sabotage a good amount of their positive public image), which created lots of buzz around the league as to who had the best chance of knocking off the newly formed juggernaut in South Beach.

As a result, many of the eyes that were following the summer roster-shuffling remained glued to the NBA in the fall and winter. The 2010-2011 season was as exciting as any in recent memory thanks to a deep group of talented young players (particularly guards) and a suspense-filled post-season.

When Oklahoma City played Memphis in last year's Western Conference semi-finals, fans got to watch two young and talented teams - whose combined payroll was less than the Lakers' alone. Whether either team gained a significant portion of fans after that heart-stopping series is yet to be known; however, if those fans lose interest in the teams because of the lockout, then the effect - both financial and psychological - of any new fans likely won't be felt by the organizations.

This ordeal may not matter for the Lakers, who outspent every other NBA team by \$17 million last year and have a fervent fan base, but it will kill teams like Oklahoma City, who aren't as likely to throw around money that isn't usually there and are less flexible in financial discussions.

After the 2010-2011 season the NBA had fans that weren't usually there—now they might be gone too.

This NBA lockout is, simply put, a disaster. The handful of owners who believe that the best way to run a franchise is to give blank checks to mediocre free agents are completely at fault. That issue is at the very crux of the lockout: players are vastly overpaid and owners are inexplicably losing money even when the sport is at the height of its popularity.

It is not the players' fault that they are overpaid. That is simply the byproduct of what happens when savvy agents and business-illiterate general managers come together to cut deals. Rashard Lewis had the best quote on the matter in a recent Washington Post story: "You sign me to a deal, you think I'm going to say, 'No, I deserve \$50 [million] instead of \$80 [million]? I'm like, 'Hell, yeah.' I'm not going to turn it down. You can't blame the players. If anything, we don't negotiate the deal. We've got agents that negotiate the deals with the team. Y'all need to go talk to the teams and the agents."

Owners are finally realizing that the current system of ridiculous overspending is not sustainable. And unfortunately, the owners will come out of this lockout just fine having not had to pay for signing so many ill-advised deals. It will be the players that have the most to lose if the season is lost.

Look at some of these mind-blowing contracts that will be slashed dramatically if the season is lost: Chauncey Billups is set to make \$14.2 million next year; Travis Outlaw(!), \$7 million; Richard Hamilton, \$12.5 million; Mehmet Okur, \$11 million. And perhaps most egregiously, Gilbert Arenas is supposed to make \$19 million this season (to put that into perspective, he makes six million dollars more per year than Kevin Durant). There are dozens more of these contracts out there, and instead of the owners being punished for signing these deals, the players will be the ones seeing their money disappear.

Now the players won't be the biggest losers just because their wallets will get lighter. From a basketball sense, a lost season hurts everyone from rookies to veterans. Think about rookies for a second. Because of the lockout, this new draft class couldn't play in the NBA summer league, (it was canceled), they can't practice at team facilities or can't contact coaches, they aren't being paid, and they will lose a valuable first year of playing experience. Kyrie Irving might have wanted to stay in school.

Aging stars will also be devastated if the 2011-12 season is torpedoed. Tim Duncan is 35 years old and not getting any younger. We may have seen the last of legendary point guards Jason Kidd and Steve Nash who are 38 and 37, respectively. Boston's trio of Kevin Garnett (36), Ray Allen (37), and Paul Pierce (35) may see their championship window slam shut if there is no basketball this year. And the peerless Kobe Bryant and his decomposing knee cannot afford to lose another chance at a title if he ever wants to tie Michael's six rings.

Every player will lose if there is no season. But the player who stands to lose the most? That's easy.

LeBron James.

If there is no NBA basketball this year, "King" James will be two years through his 4-year contract at Miami and still without a ring. He will have to wait until the 2012-13 season to make people forget his epic choke in last year's Finals versus the Mavericks. He will have to live with being the guy who took the easy way out and became the Robin to D-Wade's Batman in an effort to win a handful of easy championships, and failed, for another year.

Everyone loses if the season is canceled, from the fans to the owners. LeBron and the rest of the players will just lose more than most.

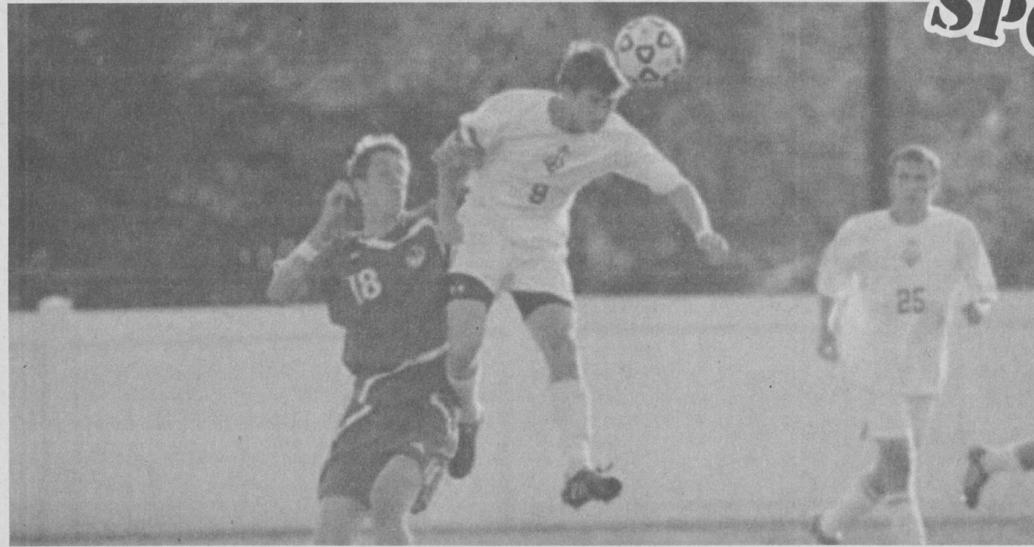


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Soccer improves to .500

The Generals take advantage of late penalties by Randolph to tie the game and win 2-1 in overtime

By Jayna Johns
SPORTS EDITOR

A penalty-meltdown by Randolph College in the final 30 seconds of Washington and Lee's men's soccer game Saturday turned an impending 1-0 W&L loss into a 2-1 W&L win in overtime.

Following a corner kick by sophomore defender Zach Clarke with half of a minute left in the game, three Randolph players received a red card and two yellow cards after a scuffle broke out in the Randolph box. The red card gave the Generals an automatic penalty kick, which junior defender Conor Starr connected on to tie the game at 1-1 as time ran out.

With momentum on their side heading into overtime, the Generals scored the winning goal in the 98th minute. Sophomore midfielder Parker Wolfinger beat the Wildcat keeper one-on-one to put W&L on top.

The win improve W&L's record to 4-4-1 overall and 2-2-1 in ODAC conference play.

Neither team netted a score in the first half of the match, and only nine total shots had been taken, four by the Generals and five by the Wildcats. Randolph held a strong advantage in corner kicks, taking three while W&L had none.

The Wildcats got on the board at the 58:21 mark, but W&L came on strong in the final five minutes of regulation, registering two shots and three corner kicks. It was the final corner kick that eventually led to the W&L penalty shot.

The Generals ended the game with 12 shots to the Wildcats' 11, but had only five corner kicks, one fewer than Randolph. Senior keeper Ben Pettito spent the entire game in the net, accounting for two saves.

A game at Ferrum earlier in the week resulted in another W&L win, 3-2, but opposite fashion, scoring heavily in the

first half and holding on for the win through the second.

Ferrum scored first, connecting on a penalty kick only 13 minutes into play, but the Generals responded with fervor, recording three unanswered goals to go into the break up 3-1.

A corner kick in the 27th minute set up W&L's first goal, made by senior midfielder Connor Pierce after a shot by sophomore midfielder Alex Zelinski was blocked. Two minutes later, junior defender Basti Richter netted a header off an assist from sophomore defender Brendan Farley.

Zelinski made up for his earlier blocked shot in the 44th minute to add to the Generals lead.

The Panthers closed the gap in the 73rd minute but the General's defense held strong to preserve the win. Pettito shared the net with first year Albert Civitresse, each recording a save and Pettito earning the win.

The Generals will be back on the field Wednesday to host Southern Virginia at 4:00 p.m.

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Women's Soccer		at Hollins 4 PM				vs Lynchburg 11 AM	
Field Hockey					at Virginia Wesleyan 6 PM	vs Liberty 2 PM	
Cross Country							
Golf							VA State Intercollegiate Day 1

in the numbers

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The number of punts the Chicago Bears' Devin Hester has returned for a touchdown in his career, a new NFL record. His 11th came on Sunday against the Carolina Panthers, a game the Bears won 34-29.

27

The number of rushing touchdowns Wisconsin running back Montee Ball has since November 6, the most among FBS teams in the same time span. South Carolina's Marcus Lattimore is in second with 15.

16

The number of years since Texas A&M last beat an SEC team after falling Saturday 42-38 to Arkansas. The Aggies next chance will come next season when they join the conference.

2

The number of undefeated teams remaining in the NFL. The Detroit Lions moved to 4-0 on Sunday for the first time since 1980 after a come-from-behind, 34-30 win over the Dallas Cowboys, and the Green Bay Packers also moved to 4-0 after winning 49-23 against the Denver Broncos. The Lions and Packers will face each other in four weeks.

soapbox

"They have turned a difficult return to The Ballpark into a once-in-a-lifetime experience for Cooper. Nothing could be more exciting for a boy than throwing out the first pitch to his favorite player. We are glad and grateful to be here to see the Rangers start their march to the World Series."

-In a statement released by the Texas Rangers, Jenny Stone, the wife of Shannon, the man who passed away on July 7 after falling over a railing at the Rangers' ballpark, commented on her son Connor's experience throwing out the first pitch for last Friday's game.

"This smacks of a calculated effort to manipulate our eligibility rules in a way that undermines the integrity of, and public confidence in, those rules."

-NFL commissioner Roger Goodell said of his decision to uphold Raiders rookie quarterback Terrelle Pryor's five-game suspension, which was handed down by the NCAA before Pryor registered for the supplemental draft.

"Applied at Regency Furniture, need a 2nd job to stay afloat during the lockout."

-NBA free agent Delonte West tweeted last Wednesday that he, like many other players, was forced to seek out a second income source as a result of the ongoing lockout.

Shutout number nine

ODAC foes have yet to score on the Gennies, who have given up only one goal this season

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Washington and Lee's women's soccer team remains undefeated in conference play after winning 8-0 at Sweet Briar on Saturday, improving to 4-0-1 in ODAC play and 8-1-1 on the season. Amazingly, the Generals have given up only one shot this entire season, outscoring their opponents 44-1 through ten games.

Seven different players accounted for the Generals' goals, with two coming from first-year midfielder Holley Beasley.

Beasley was the first to score, netting a ball only eight minutes into play. First-year defender Emily Scott put in another score a little more than four minutes later, and Beasley put in her second goal about ten minutes later at the 21:32 mark.

With a comfortable 3-0 lead less than a quarter of the way into the match, the Generals continued pressing. A third first-year, forward Julia Lancaster, scored in the 31st minute and senior midfielder Allie Espina finished off the first half with a goal in the 36th

minute, giving W&L a 5-0 lead going into the break.

The second half was more of the same. First-year midfielders Katie Rossi and Lauren Williams each netted the ball, in the 57th minute and 61st minute, respectively, and junior defender Alex Todd finished off scoring with 22 minutes left to play.

In addition, to her two goals, Beasley also recorded an assist while Rossi contributed three assists to complement her score.

The Generals were as dominating as the final score indicates. Senior Emily Leary played the entire game in the net without facing a single shot. In comparison, SBC keeper Seanee Weekes also played all 90 minutes and recorded 18 saves. In all, the Generals shot a total 44 times without the Vixens shooting once.

The win over Randolph marked Leary's ninth shutout of the season.

The day before, the women had posted another dominating win as the team took down

Southern Virginia University 6-0 in Lexington.

First-years Katherine Rush, defender, and Madeline Forrestel, forward, each made two goals while Todd and Lancaster contributed one each to finish out the game.

Rush scored first, taking a rebound off the SVU keeper not even five minutes into the game. Forrestel put in her first shot a little more than ten minutes later off an assist from senior midfielder Dory Blackey. Rush scored again in the 29th minute to take the Generals into the break with a 3-0 lead.

Ten minutes into the second half, Forrestel added her second goal, and with 23 minutes left to play, Todd put the Generals further up. Lancaster finished up scoring with a goal in the 88th minute.

Leary recorded one save while playing the entire game in the net.

The Generals will play again on Tuesday when they travel to Hollins for a 4:00 pm contest.

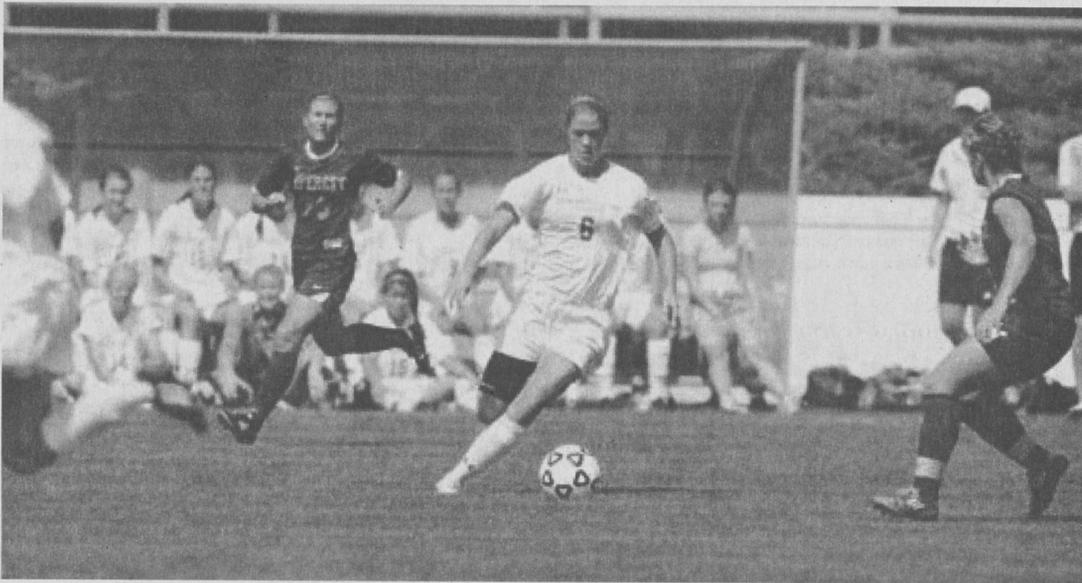


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Historical Homecoming

W&L football put up a score that hasn't been seen in over 60 years, winning 63-0

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The Washington and Lee football team welcomed alumni back for Homecoming in a big way, trouncing on Guilford on its way to a 63-0 blow-out, the largest margin of victory since 1922 and the most points scored in nearly 61 years.

The last time a Washington and Lee football team scored more points in a game was against Richmond in 1950, which the Generals won 67-7. The Gennies finished that season with a trip to the Gator bowl (where they lost 20-7 to Wyoming) and ranked 18th nationally in the final AP and UPI polls, right behind Nebraska in the AP and Alabama in the UPI.

While the football program at W&L has clearly changed since that year, Saturday's win is nevertheless significant for the program. After posting an undefeated conference record for the first time in program history last year, the Generals opened up conference play for this season in promising fashion.

W&L kicked-off to start the game, but were able to capitalize when Guilford fumbled on the first play of the game. Three plays later, senior quarterback Charlie Westfal found the end zone on a 13 yard run to put the team up 7-0 only 1:01 into the game.

Junior running back Luke Heinsohn was

on fire, as he ran the ball in for a touchdown on each of the Generals' ensuing drives, the first run from three yards out and the second from 23 yards, to put them up 21-0 after only 4:45 of playing time.

The Generals tacked on four more touchdowns in the second quarter alone. A minute and a half into the quarter, Westfal connected with senior wide receiver Russell Stewart on a 34-yard touchdown pass. Less than four minutes later, Westfal again found the end zone on a one-yard run.

With just over seven minutes to play, Heinsohn took off on his third touchdown run of the day, this one coming from 63 yards out and moving W&L's lead to 42-0. Junior running back Brett Murray finished up scoring for the first half with a four-yard run with only five seconds remaining on the clock to send the Generals into the break with a 49-0 lead.

The team took its foot off the pedal for the second half, but still managed a touchdown in each of the final quarters. Heinsohn scored his fourth - a career high - and final touchdown of the game in the third on a two-yard run, and first-year running back Christian Croft finished up scoring for the Generals with a five-yard run.

W&L outgained Guilford 535 yards to 190

yards on the way to the team's third-straight win over the Quakers.

Heinsohn finished with a season-high 167 yards on only 12 carries while Murray came up with 85 yards on 11 carries. Westfal only threw the ball three times but complete two of them for a total of 71 yards and a touchdown. Stewart was the receiver for each completed pass.

Defensively, W&L was overwhelming, allowing the Quakers to make only 11 first downs and complete ten of their 24 passing attempts. Guilford converted only two of its 13 third downs while throwing four interceptions. The Generals also forced and recovered two fumbles.

Senior linebacker Rob Look led the team with eight tackles, while junior defensive back Jake Pelton finished with six tackles, an interception and a fumble recovery. Sophomore defensive back Lee Peaseley, senior linebacker Taylor Malone and junior defensive lineman Greg Barton accounted for the other interceptions.

Senior kicker Peter Alston was perfect all day, going nine for nine on PATs.

The Generals will be back in action when they travel to Emory & Henry on Saturday for a 1:00 p.m. kickoff.



women's cross country

opponent	date	result
Don Cathcart Invit.	10/01	4th of 16

men's cross country

event	date	result
Lehigh Paul Short Invit.	09/30	10th of 42

golf

event	date	result
Randolph-Macon Invit.	10/01	4th of 14

sports update

field hockey

opponent	date	result
Shenandoah	09/28	W 1-0 2OT
Lynchburg	10/01	L 4-0

volleyball

opponent	date	result
Eastern Mennonite	09/27	W 3-0
Virginia Wesleyan	10/01	W 3-0
Mary Washington	10/01	W 3-0