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GENERAL NOTES

DuPont exhibits alumnus' art:

W&L alum Langdon Quin will exhibit his landscape and figure paintings in DuPont Gallery beginning on October 14. The artist will speak on October 17 at a 5:30 p.m. open reception in DuPont Hall. Quin graduated from W&L in 1970 and received an M.F.A. in painting from Yale in 1976. He has had numerous group and individual exhibitions across the country. The exhibit will be on display until November 14, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, contact Evan A. Atkins, 540/463-8955.

J-School wins \$1.5 million award:

The journalism department was recently awarded a \$1.5 million endowment to establish a Knight Chair in Journalism Ethics. The Knight Foundation, associated with the Knight-Ridder chain, awarded two chairs this year. The other was to the University of Missouri, with a focus on editing. W&L's award means the university's program in journalism ethics will be substantially expanded.

W&L performs with Borup Brass:

Fans of Washington and Lee's Wind Ensemble will enjoy a performance on Tuesday, October 15, at 8:00 p.m. in the Lenfest Center. The Wind Ensemble will be joined by Denmark's Borup Brass Band for the evening, and will be conducted by W&L associate professor of music, Barry Kolman. Admission is free. For more information, contact William Cocke at 540/463-8978.

Musical storytelling at Lenfest:

The award winning Kadinsky Trio will present "Tales of Appalachia," traditional storytelling through new chamber music, on Friday, October 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the Lenfest Center. The trio is ensemble-in-residence at Roanoke College, and is the recipient of the Chamber Music America Residency Award. "Tales of Appalachia" is the collaborative effort of storyteller Connie Regan-Blake and composer Mike Reid. For more information on reservations, contact the Lenfest Center Box Office between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 540/463-8000.

ABC applauds W&L's LIFE:

LIFE (Lifestyle Information for Everyone), W&L's new student-led peer health education program, was cited for an award at a recent Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control College Conference. LIFE seeks to train students in all aspects of health, with special emphasis on alcohol and substance abuse. Trained LIFE members participated in this year's Freshman Orientation and dorm counselor training. The award for "New Initiatives Development for Alcohol Programs" included a \$500 prize to be used toward alcohol programs at W&L.

German lectures on English:

Gertrud Walter, professor of English language didactics at University of Erlangen-Nurnberg in Germany, will speak at Leyburn's Northern Auditorium on October 14 at 4:00 p.m. Her topic will be "Teaching English as a Non-Native." Walter is the author of 27 publications in the area of teaching English to the non-college-bound German student. Most recently, Walter has been in the United States on a Fulbright scholarship. She will end her stay in the U.S. with a one-week visit in Lexington.

Library displays Victorian design:

The Leyburn Library will sponsor a lecture for devotees of the English Arts and Crafts Movement and Victorian furniture, fabrics and decor. The lecture, given by Betty Kondayan, Jean Dunder, and Edward Adams, will focus on the work of William Morris, an English designer, poet, and early Socialist. "The Legacy of William Morris" is scheduled for Monday, October 21, at 7:30 p.m. in Northern Auditorium and is open to the public. Those who can't make the lecture should investigate Leyburn Library's exhibit, "William Morris, 1834-1896: Author, Designer, Businessman - and Much More," on display through October. For more information, contact Yolanda Warren at the Leyburn Library, 540/463-8662.

-- compiled by Peggy Stuntz

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Students stride to raise funds for charity

BY KELLEY TOTTEN
Phi STAFF WRITER



Photo courtesy of Bethany Bauman

The week preceding Making Strides, Chi Omega sponsored a Favorite Dog Contest in front of the Co-op. Charging 25 cents per vote, the proceeds benefited the American Cancer Society.

A 5-mile walk on Sunday will do more than just exercise your legs. It will raise money for the American Cancer Society.

"Making Strides Against Cancer," the annual charity event co-sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry and Chi Omega sorority, asks members of the Washington and Lee University and Lexington communities to give hope to cancer survivors and raise money to help with patient services, education and research.

"There's a real need for people to be aware that cancer is not a death sentence," said organizer Laura Seaman. "Some people have a hard time dealing with it, and this is a good way to start."

The walk has personal meaning for Burr Datz, Catholic Campus Minister.

"I had a grandmother who died from cancer and cancer patients who have participated in the walk who have since passed away," said Datz. "They may be gone, but they are not forgotten."

Registration for Making Strides begins at 1 p.m. Sunday in front of Harris Teeter on East Nelson Street. The walk starts at 1:30. A \$5 donation covers the registration fee.

"We're encouraging participants to collect pledges, but it's not mandatory," Seaman said.

Students who would like to participate in the Outing Club's Mountain Day on Sunday can also register and collect pledges for Making Strides.

Past events with 50-110 people participating have raised between \$500-\$1,600, and Datz hopes to match the high by raising \$1,600 this year.

Tim Phillips, a W&L law professor who was a close friend of Datz, died two years ago from cancer.

"He was a great, great guy who never let his cancer get him down. He provided a lot of hope to other cancer patients," said Datz. "Hopefully, we can continue to provide that hope."

For more information on Making Strides, contact Laura Seaman at 463-1929 or Burr Datz at 463-3533. If you are interested in combining Mountain Day and Making Strides, contact S.R. Evans at 462-4904.

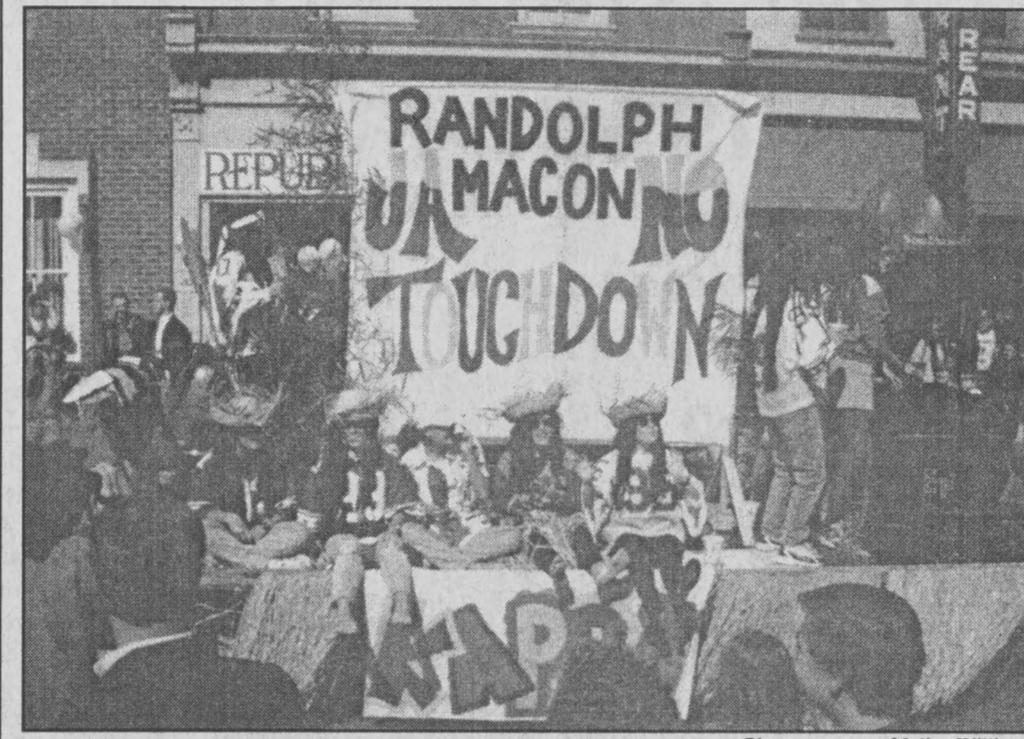


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"No woman, no cry": Kappa Kappa Gamma jammin' on Main Street in the annual Homecoming parade. With their d redlocked, way groovy Ja "Macon" float, the Kappas won the first place prize for the second year in a row.

Williamson debuts with University Chorus

BY KELLEY TOTTEN
Phi STAFF WRITER

After their concert debut Tuesday night, University Chorus members are singing praises for their new conductor, Scott Williamson.

"With the new conductor, the program has a new dynamic," said junior Liz Detter, "which has given the chorus a new life, a new direction."

Williamson was pleased with the performance. The chorus, with many first-time members, had four weeks to prepare for the concert. "The chorus has gelled in a relatively short period of time," he said.

Williamson, who took over Peter Hoogenboom's position in the music department this year, received a bachelor's degree in sacred music from James Madison University and a master's in choral conducting and vocal performance from Westminster Choir College.

Dr. Gordan Spice, head of the music department, thought the pieces Williamson chose were challenging. He liked the selections from George Shearing's "Music to Hear," which gave Shakespeare's poetry a jazzy beat.

"[Williamson] has injected a new amount of energy that was evident from the looks on members' faces," said Dr. Spice.

Several chorus members thought his enthusiasm really affected the chorus' positive attitude.

"It's fun to go to rehearsal," said Detter. "I think that unity comes through during the performance."

Thank God it's Fridays! New group provides alternatives

BY B.J. WALKER
Phi STAFF WRITER

So, it's Friday night, you're ready to relax but not in the fraternity party mood. Until this year, that would mean an eventful evening of re-runs and pizza. The Fridays! Committee is trying to do something about that.

Fridays! books an act to perform every Friday night, usually at nine. So far, a variety of acts have been scheduled: from comedians to bands. There's even a Karaoke night and a hypnotist scheduled. The decision on who to book is made by a committee.

"We've looked at tapes of everybody from people on Saturday Night Live to

people that no one has ever heard of," said Sarah Moore, vice-president of Fridays!

Fridays! tries to avoid the typical W&L frat bands. "We're going for diversity," said junior Megan Weidmaier. They also move the location of the performances weekly. "Because there are so many sophomores in Gaines this year, we've scheduled stuff there. But there's still stuff in the GHQ and Lenfest."

Fridays! doesn't intend to cater to only freshmen and independents. It is also not meant to replace parties as W&L students activity of choice on Fridays. "We don't want people to be forced to choose between their friends and parties and Fridays!," said Moore. "It's just sup-

posed to be an alternative.

"The events are scheduled so they wrap-up by 10:30. They finish early so students can still go out afterwards."

Attendance so far has varied. Comedian Greer Barnes drew a crowd of several hundred at Lenfest; however, he never showed up. Fortunately, a couple of last minute replacements were able to fill in.

Since then, the crowds have thinned. Last week we had about five people. I think most people are not sure what to expect," said Moore.

This Friday, a funk/ska band, The Riots, will perform in the GHQ at 9:30. As always, admission is free and refreshments will be provided.

Executive Committee declares new budget, policy

BY DAVID BALSLEY
Phi STAFF WRITER

The Executive Committee recently allocated the funds derived from the student activity fee to Washington and Lee's student organizations.

In order to be considered for funding, each organization submitted a request form to the E.C. and chose a representative to appear on its behalf. The E.C. considered each organization's requested amount of funding, the number of students each organization will either involve or benefit, and each organization's proposed usage of any funding which they would receive.

"I am sure that some organizations got less than they had expected, and some were surprised with how

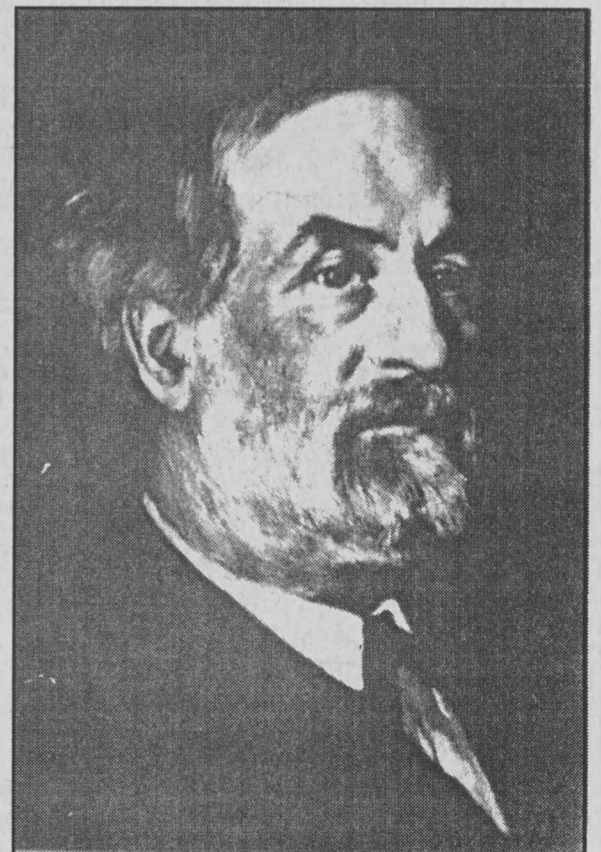
much they received, but we tried to serve the university as best we could," commented Amy Gorham, Vice-President of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee also recently formalized its "long-standing policy of not directly funding ideologically or politically partisan organizations." The policy reads: "It is the Executive Committee's policy not to directly fund politically and ideologically partisan organizations. The Executive Committee will remain neutral on issues of national politics and political ideology."

Gorham explained that this policy stems from the fact that a number of organizations on campus exclude some students. She stated, "It's your money, and my money, and everyone's money, and we want to spend it on everyone."

Allocations of 1996-1997 E.C. Budget

ACLU \$0.00	Preston Society \$350.00
Arete \$400.00	Publications Board (\$1,116.55)
Ariel \$5,390.00	R.E. Belles \$500.00
Calyx \$17,000.00	Riding Team \$1,000.00
Civic Society \$194.59	Ring-tum Phi \$2,200.00
Contact \$41,000.00	Rugby \$1,710.00
Emergency Loans \$1,000.00	Soccer \$215.00
Environmental Awareness \$300.00	Society for Creative Anachronisms \$200.00
Fencing \$1,500.00	Society for the Arts \$2,300.00
Field Hockey \$840.00	Softball \$420.00
Film Society \$5,300.00	Sophomore Leadership Council \$250.00
Foreign Affairs Club \$1,250.00	Student Activities Board \$79,700.00
Freshman Leadership Council \$250.00	Student Bar Association \$47,000.00
Habitat for Humanity \$10,000.00	Ultimate Frisbee \$600.00
International Club \$1,910.00	Volleyball \$675.00
Journal of Science \$850.00	W&L Dance \$1,000.00
Lacrosse \$640.00	The Student Pavilion \$49,525.00
Leyburn Society \$440.00	White Book Review Committee \$1,500.00
Liberty Hall Volunteers \$2,100.00	E.C. Reserve \$9,000.00
Minority Students' Association \$6,500.00	E.C. Honor Reserve \$4,000.00
Mock Convention four year reserve \$5,000.00	Student Body Working Reserve \$18,000.00
Political Review \$3,100.00	Total: \$321,493.04



Detail of Robert E. Lee by Frank Buchser, 1869

"Ah me! How beautifully the South remembers her dead..."

-- Author Merideth Nicholson, upon seeing Lee's tomb

A ceremony commemorating the 126th anniversary of the death of Robert E. Lee will be held at Lee Chapel tomorrow at 11:05 a.m. The guest speaker will be Charles R. Roland, a noted Civil War historian. Liberty Hall Volunteers and the Washington and Lee Chamber Singers will also participate in the service. The public is invited to attend.

W&L students regressing to 'Pookie' status

GreenLand
Betsy Green '97

I hate Parents Weekend. Sure, I know it's a few weeks away, but I'm hoping some of you will read this and take it to heart. Right now, Parents Weekend is my least favorite W&L event by far. Granted, I've been an orphan here for three years, so maybe you could argue that I haven't truly experienced it. I prefer to think that as an outsider I can better observe the absurdity that goes on here every year in late October. Parents Weekend is not what it should be. It should be a time for our parents to get to know us as adults. To see where we live, to meet our friends, to see the fine, independent, responsible adults they have raised.

It should be a chance to relate to our parents not as children, but in an aura of mutual respect. Think

"Rule of thumb: if you have breasts, you are too old to walk around holding your dad's hand."

of how much you've grown and changed at Washington and Lee. Parents Weekend ought to be a time for families to feel proud of these accomplishments. For relationships among families to reach a new level. Instead, we regress. Every year, I see and am dis-

gusted by the way my friends and classmates seem to be. For the weekend, anyway, about nine years old. Look around you:

- The smart girl in your German class is bickering with her little brother over who gets to sit in the front seat.
- Your Homecoming date is allowing his mom to call him Pookie.
- People who managed to bathe and feed themselves are now asking mom to do the dishes.
- Your best friend is pretending she has no idea how to clean the lint trap in the dryer.
- Meanwhile, your mom just spit into a Kleenex and is using it to wash your face. Why is everyone acting so pathetic?

This year, let's make Parents Weekend what it should be. Stop dragging your parents to random cultural events, unless it's something they'd actually enjoy. Instead, why not take a walk together so they can get to know the new you? Don't try to pretend to be someone you're not.

If your parents take you out to dinner Friday night, why not make them dinner on Saturday, to thank them for all they have done - and to show off your new practical knowledge?

If you don't act childish (i.e.: call your brother "Pukey," have nothing in your fridge but half a can of Diet Coke, wine, etc.) maybe your mom will let you wash your own face. And this is a personal pet peeve, but I am always disturbed by the way girls hang on their dads. Rule of thumb: if you have breasts, you are too old to walk around holding your dad's hand.

I hate Parents Weekend, but I don't have to. Please try not to regress, and instead just be you. Your parents might actually like it better.

Quote of the Week:

"Cookies are substantial if you eat enough of them."

- Junior Matthew Craig discussing his diet

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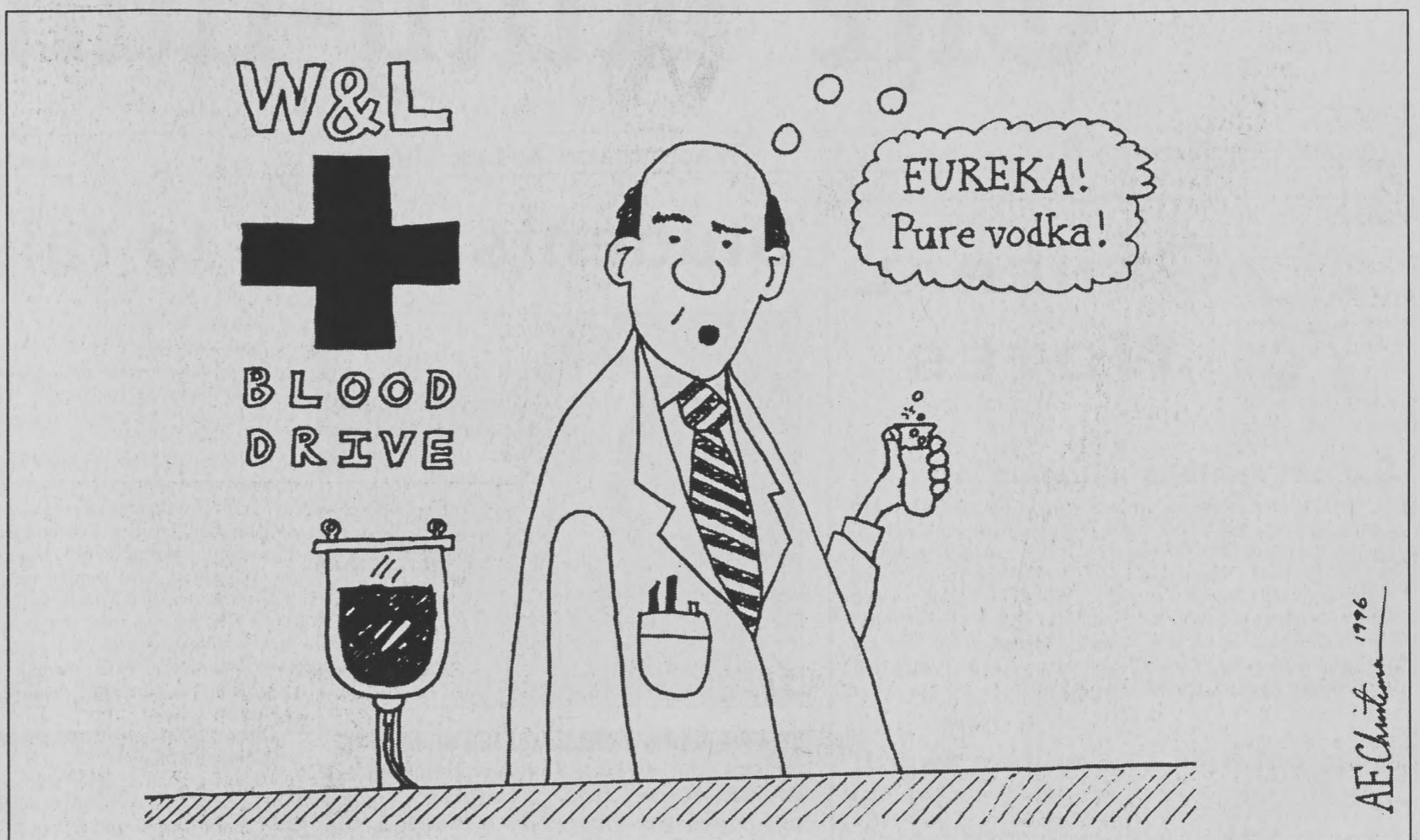
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Decision '96: Dole vs. Clinton Issue #3: The Leviathan

Countdown to the election...

25 DAYS

The 1996 Presidential and Congressional elections are about three weeks away, and President Clinton still is sitting on a comfortable, double-digit lead in the polls.

This week, the issue we will fearlessly discuss in The Ring-tum Phi is the size of our federal government. This is another topic that seems to always be in the debate, but because of recent Republican actions in Congress, is especially relevant.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt started the government's major expansion with entitlement programs during the Great Depression. These were years during which, drastic actions needed to be taken, but his actions were meant to be temporary. Lyndon Johnson expanded it further with his "Great Society." This, however, has created a government that seems to have a life of its own.

It seems that everywhere we go, and everything we do, the federal government has some regulation or standard that we run into. This is true of everything from public safety to our private lives.

On the right this week is Jason Zacher '98, The Ring-tum Phi Editorial Editor. On the left will be Laura Knapp, '97, our Democratic columnist.

Is the government too large? Should some of its programs be stripped? Can the states truly deal with their problems effectively, or is the federal government needed to create continuity among the states? If you have these questions, we hope this will help answer them.

- Jason Zacher
Editorial Editor

Government is not the 'root of all evil'

From the Left
Laura Knapp '99

One of the Republican battlecries of the past few election seasons is that the federal government is the root of all evil in American society and that if elected, they will slash the authority of the federal government. Insinuating that anything that the federal government touches turns into a bureaucratic nightmare, Republican hypocrites like Bob Dole, a Washington bureaucrat himself running for the most important position in the federal government while at the same time planning its demise, advocate the idea that individual state governments are the most efficient and can best serve the interest of the citizens. But the Republican goal of taking control away from the federal government is riddled with inaccuracies, innuendo and a total lack of regard for the lessons of history. This is the issue that most clearly defines the liberals from conservatives.

One of my favorite quotes from Vaclav Havel's *Summer Meditations*. "If the republics understood the federation to be something that existed or could exist for their benefit, then they would have no reason to wish to weaken it, but rather would want to strengthen it, for in strengthening the federation they would be strengthening themselves."

One need only to mention programs and agencies like Medicare, Medicaid, Federal Emergency Management Administration, Social Security, Clean Water and Air Acts, Environmental Protection Agency, Centers for Disease Control, Headstart and the GI Bill to give credence to the fact that the United States government is indeed and can be even further, one of the most positive institutions in the world. One need only to look at the era of the Great Depression for evidence of the instrumental role that the federal government played in bringing the country out financial ruin.

To hand control over to the state governments would be seriously detrimental to the United will be that clueless to set such a low limit. Other, more liberal states - such as New York which has been

traditionally very liberal in welfare distribution - will set higher limits. The result will be a mass exodus of welfare recipients to the state that allows them the highest amount of welfare for the longest time. The state in which they move will eventually be overcome by a financial crisis and then will have to resort to cutting families in need of funds, thus creating another homeless explosion. I guess the Republicans will feel better knowing that the federal government is more efficient even if it is at the expense of putting families out on the street just because they do not possess the skills nor the funds now

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to raise themselves out of poverty. And the Republicans call themselves the "family values" party?

I am by no means advocating bureaucracy by defending the American federal government. Liberals, just as much as conservatives, hate red tape. But liberals believe that the federal government has the ability to be a positive institution by providing American citizens an equal opportunity through increased social programs. The Republicans however, want to decrease the power of the federal government, and increase the power and scope of the military (if you recall my opponent's column from last week) while cutting programs like educational funding. Does that make any sense to you? It's a simple choice for me.

How do you know what is best for my grandmother?

From the Right
Jason Zacher '98

The Ring-tum Phi Editorial Editor

One of the first debates our forefathers had when creating our country was, "How large should our federal government be?" Being the wise men that they were, the federal government (under our current constitution) was started as a small entity given a few specific duties. In time, that had to change with our country's growth, but since this country began, our government has grown at an alarming rate.

The question that the Republicans have tried to pose is this: "How can some government bureaucrat know what is best for a small business owner in Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin?"

The answer is that the bureaucrat has no idea. This desk jockey can barely find Wisconsin on the map and probably only knows the Packers play football somewhere in the state. Someone with a problem from Prairie du Sac becomes a paper lost in a huge stack on a desk in Washington. This person has a

face, a family and a problem that needs to be taken care of quickly. "Your problem will be solved in due time," repeats the bureaucrat, "you're number 682!" (My favorite Absolut ad is the "Absolut D.C.," with the red tape wrapped around the bottle).

When our country was founded, the states were supreme. This was mostly because of the fear of a strong central government but also because the states knew their people best. Today, we need to relearn that lesson.

Our government has standards and regulations that are uniform throughout the country. What works in rural Iowa cannot work in Miami, Florida - the people are different, their problems are different and their values are different. Federal mandates cannot be universal.

Since taking over Congress in 1994, the Republicans have tried to place more power in the hands of the states, a move that President Clinton has supported from time to time. They have placed everything from welfare to speed limits back in the hands of the states.

Since the days of FDR and LBJ,

Democrats have felt that the government can solve social ills. Giant bureaucracies have been built to do this. To help retirees, we have Social Security. To help low-income families, welfare was cre-

"This desk jockey can barely find Wisconsin on a map and probably only knows that the Packers play football somewhere in the state."

ated. In almost every case that the government is involved, the bureaucracy has grown faster than could be controlled and now the size is out of control. These pro-

grams all start out with good intentions but little planning. Luckily, the Congress prevented our government from making the same mistake with our health care system.

Some Democrats argue that we need to provide for people who cannot provide for themselves. This is true, but the number of people who cannot "provide for themselves" is far smaller than the government thinks.

There are many areas where the government can, and needs to, be large. The government needs to make safety regulations for airplanes, cars, etc. It also needs to regulate our airwaves, and should even create a national standard to hold our schools against. But most of the central decision making needs to be made in local governments, where a face can be placed with that name from Prairie du Sac, and the worker knows exactly what the family needs, or could find out personally and quickly, not measure against some stat sheet. That is the true "caring government" that the Republicans are, and the Democrats should be, striving for.

Chi Psi and Red Cross draw blood

David Balsley
Phi Features Editor

At least twice every year, the brothers of Chi Psi can be satiated only with massive quantities of blood. Yesterday was one of those days.

On Thursday, October 10, Chi Psi and the American Red Cross held their first blood drive of the year. Students and faculty were invited to come to Doremus Gym between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. to donate.

"We really appreciate those who came

out, but we hope to get even more people next time," commented Ken Zelenak, who co-ordinated the event.

Zelenak estimated that approximately eighty people gave blood yesterday. Although Chi Psi fell short of its goal of attracting one hundred people to the blood drive, the number of donors this year was consistent with the number of donors from last year.

"It was really great to see all these people because we were afraid that we wouldn't break eighty," Zelenak stated.

Traditionally, Chi Psi holds two blood

drives every year, one in the fall and another in the spring. The next blood drive is scheduled for sometime in March.

Zelenak intends to improve on yesterday's blood drive. First, the blood drive will be moved from Thursday to Tuesday in order to attract athletes who could not give blood because of weekend competitions.

Second, the blood drive will be held later in the day. Zelenak commented that the number of donors yesterday greatly increased after three o'clock. The number of donors became so great that al-

though they stopped taking names at 5 p.m., the last donor did not live until 6:10.

Zelenak hopes that hosting the blood drive later in the day will allow the blood drive to take advantage of the afternoon rush. We understand that people have to attend classes and lectures," Zelenak stated.

Zelenak expressed his gratitude to the people who helped to set up for the event, as well as everyone who attended, stating, "Thanks to everyone who made it possible."

Volunteers celebrate student legacy

Kathryn Mayurnik
Phi Staff Writer

The sun is creeping over the Virginian mountains as the Confederate troops prepare for another day of battle. The smell of gunpowder is still in the air as the troops march toward the enemy, the morning dew clinging to their gray woolen uniforms. No, this isn't a clip from the mini-series "North and South," but our very own Liberty Hall Volunteers participating in a Civil War re-enactment.

The Liberty Hall Volunteers, which consists of twenty Washington and Lee Students and is funded by the Executive Committee, was founded in 1986 by three law students who wanted to portray the original Liberty Hall Volunteers as they had participated in the Civil War from Manassas in 1861 to Appomattox in 1865. The Confederate troops affectionately dubbed the enlisted group of young men from Washington College as "Jackson's Pets." Because the men were well educated and well disciplined, Jackson favored them by making them his camp guards. "But they lived down their reputation because they were often sent into the front



Calyx Photo

In Dixieland I'll take my stand:

The 1995-96 Liberty Hall Volunteers. The Volunteers will take part in the memorial service for Robert E. Lee this Saturday, October 12.

lines of combat," said Eric Sampson, president of the Liberty Hall Volunteers club.

Much overlooked is the Liberty Hall Volunteers' first contribution in the American Revolution. "George Washington himself was so impressed with the courage of the Liberty Hall Volunteers that it weighed on his decision to donate money here," said sophomore member Patrick McCormack.

The present day Liberty Hall Volunteers march and shoot off their weapons in the Homecoming parade and the Lexington Christmas parade. They also participate in the ceremony commemorating Robert E. Lee's death and travel to at least three or four re-enactments per year. "We usually go to Cedar Creek and New Market every year for re-enactment," said Sampson. "We camp, we drill a lot, have morning parades, and re-enact a major battle based on the tactical history of the battle. Sometimes we just use period tactics and formulate our own battle. It's actually kind of like paint-ball."

Like the original Liberty Hall Volunteers of the 18th and 19th centuries, the 20th century guys have to suffer in the face of natural disasters. "Last year at Cedar Creek there was a torrential downpour and there was literally a small river running through our tents," describes Sampson. "We had to wade through two feet deep of water to get to our trucks where we shivered all night."

Oddly enough, the group consists of all Northerners with the exception of two members. McCormack, who lives in Pennsylvania about forty-five minutes from Gettysburg, feels that it is not a matter of North versus South. "Some people who do stuff like this think of it as a matter of regional pride and heritage, but most people see it as a matter of American heritage. We're not really Confederates or Yankees. We're not still fighting the Civil War. I like the way it brings history alive in a more vivid way. It's a unique experience you can't find anywhere else."



Calyx Photo

SKANK IT UP:

THE RIOTS ROCK INTO W&L

Kelley Totten
Phi Staff Writer

There will be no looting, shooting, or burning, just an eclectic mix of musical styles when the Riots perform at 9:30 p.m. on Friday, October 11, in the GHQ.

In 1993, a classical guitarist, jazz drummer, R&B singer, funk bassist and Latin trumpet player formed the Atlanta-based band.

Fridays! Committee, a student organization that brings various entertainment acts to Washington and Lee University's

campus, is sponsoring the event with free admission, food, and drink.

"They play a different kind of music," said Fridays! chairperson Tadzia GrandPre. "I can't define it. It's just fun and upbeat."

Band members create their own musical genre with their blend of funk, rock'n'roll, R&B, pop, Latin, ska, and jazz.

GrandPre saw The Riots last spring and persuaded Fridays! to bring the band to W&L. "They really have fun when they play," she said. "They bring out those conga drums and just go crazy."



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The Roots' brave new world

David Balsley
Phi Features Editor

It was a far cry from last spring's Coolio concert. When the Roots took the stage at the Pavillion, they gave Washington and Lee University a sampling of a sound rarely found in the rap genre.

Last Friday, the Roots shunned the dance pop beats of Coolio and his west coast cohorts in preference for a slower, but not less aggressive, east coast style. Impressively, they performed all of their own background accompaniments, a feat rarely equalled within today's rap industry.

Their sound closely paralleled A Tribe Called Quest's "Low End Theory," an album which gained distinction because of its laid-back beats and live instrumen-

tation. Currently, this sound makes them unique; in an industry crowded with rappers who are content to sample the same tired Parliament funk, the Roots are truly original. In this sense, the Roots are a sort of anomaly. They seem to belong in the late 1980's "Native Tongue" society, which consisted primarily of A Tribe Called Quest, the Jungle Brothers, and De La Soul. The Roots almost seem to be behind their time.

Maybe the Roots are aware of their "antiquity." At the show on Friday, they covered a slew of rap's anthems, including the 1978 "up jumped the boogey" sound of Sugar Hill Gang's "Rapper's Delight." They also performed parts of songs by Public Enemy ("Bring the

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Germans do it with beer...

Bill Overbaugh
Phi Staff Writer

Yes, it's true. In the back streets of the metropolis of Lexington, a small band of people, ranging from preteens all the way through retirement age, planned a soccer match between the French Club and the German Club this past Sunday. The Germans took the lead from the very beginning when they outscored the French players 20-0.

Yes, 20-0.

They decided to split up into two groups and play anyway; the final score was six for the Germans and three for the, well, Germans. The players consisted mostly of Washington and Lee students, two faculty members, and several members of the Shenandoah Deutschverein.

"The who?" you ask. The

Deutschverein is a club for people in the area interested in German culture, language, and history. It is open to anyone who would like to attend, and has several activities planned for this year.

On October 27th, the Deutschverein will host the annual Oktoberfest at Skylark, Washington and Lee University's retreat center in the Blue Ridge Mountains. The Oktoberfest features a game of touch football, food and drink, and, of course, Deutsch Bier.

There is also a night of story telling planned and a St. Nicholas party later in the year. Every meeting has a dish-to-pass dinner with luscious German specialties. Anyone interested in the Deutschverein can contact Professor Crockett.

Hope to see you all there at the Oktoberfest!

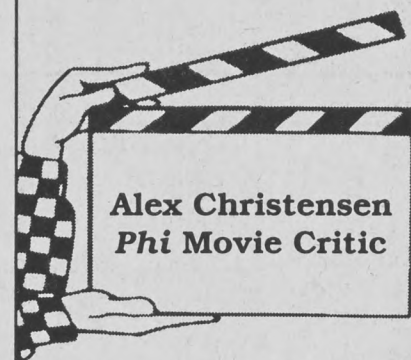
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TV ain't movies: My first video pick

Brain Candy

★★★★ of 4 stars; a true masterpiece



Well, this week the RC State Theater is getting the latest grishamroman, The Chamber, starring Gene Hackman and Chris O'Donnell and directed by Glengarry Glen Ross director James Foley, and the Michael Douglas/Val Kilmer/scary evil tiger flick, Ghost and the Darkness. I haven't seen either, so this week I'm giving you my recently out on video pick. This will probably be more useful to most of you anyway, since it's easier to drink while you watch a video than a movie in the theater. (Well, it is.)

My first video pick is a movie from earlier this year which most of you probably missed in the theater. It's called Kids in the Hall Brain Candy, and you should really, really, really, really, really, really watch it.

Everybody who's cool knows who the Kids in the Hall are. Take a second and see if you know. If you don't, you're not cool. Nyah, nyah. Okay, I'll tell you, and then you can be cool from the time you finish reading this review on. The Kids in the Hall were/are (there's some doubt) a sketch-comedy troupe from Canada who had their own show on the CBC which also played on HBO, CBS, and now on Comedy Central, which we don't have on our freaking cable because some jerk at Adelphia Cable thinks we should have TWO country music video stations and THREE Bible-thumping moron stations and MSNBC instead. The hottest place in hell has been reserved for that pinhead exec, but on with the story. Their show was like

Monty Python meets "Saturday Night Live," in Canada, and, say, both of them are drunk, and one thing leads to another...you get the picture. It was usually an eclectic mix of skits featuring the Kids in drag, makeup, or various states of undress doing inadvisable things, all to hilarious effect. Though

the show didn't feature too many stock characters so that each line became a catchphrase, you might recognize The Chicken Lady, Cabbage-Head, Buddy Cole, or their wonderful "The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss." Truly, this show was a landmark in the cultural history of...something. By the way, the Kids are/were: Dave Foley (now of NBC's "NewsRadio"), Norm MacDonald (now of...nothing), Scott Thompson (now of HBO's "Larry Sanders"), Mark McKinney (now of "SNL"), and Bruce McCulloch (check out his CD, Shame-Based Man).

So after the show ended, they decided to make a movie. What they came up with is sort of Dr. Strangelove meets Monty Python and the Holy Grail for the nineties. Brain Candy is about a young, idealistic scientist named Chris Cooper (Norm MacDonald) who comes up with a brand new drug which, when taken, invades the patient's brain and finds his happiest memory. Then it locks in that happy, pleasurable feeling and makes him hap-hap-happy all the time. Before testing can be completed, however, Cooper's boss, Don Roritor (Mark McKinney), president and CEO of Roritor Pharmaceuticals ("The makers of Stummies!"), finds himself desperately in need of a new drug to boost the company's flagging sales. What ensues is a touching, sick fable about the dangers of medicating one's problems away, and a startling, original send-up of our society.

The soundtrack is also a joy, with original songs like "Some Days It's Dark," "Happiness Pie" (Sample lyric: "See the sad man in the corner, he is gross and he is old/People steal his shoes and make him eat mold/His life won't be bad, if he does what he is told/He should be an alchemist and turn his pain into gold...golden pie!"), "I'm Gay," and "Long Dark Twenties."

I hate to say, as some critics have, that unless you liked the humor of the show, you probably won't like the movie. So I'm not going to say it. Watch it. You'll like it. Most of the comedy is not dependent upon references to the show. It stands alone. Meet lovely new characters like Dr. Cooper, Don Roritor, Grivo, Cancer Boy, Mrs. Hurdicure, and Wally Terzinsky. It's a twisted take, and not for the faint of heart, but if you think you've got the comedy cojones, give it a try sometime.

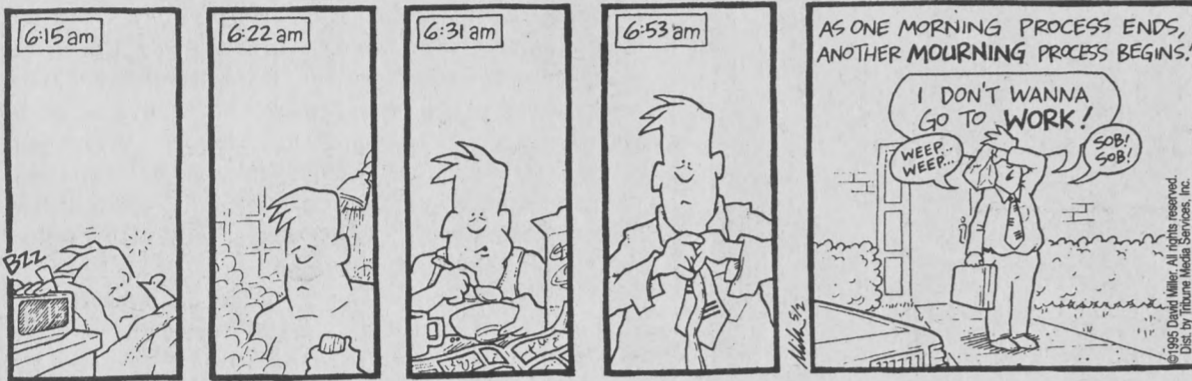
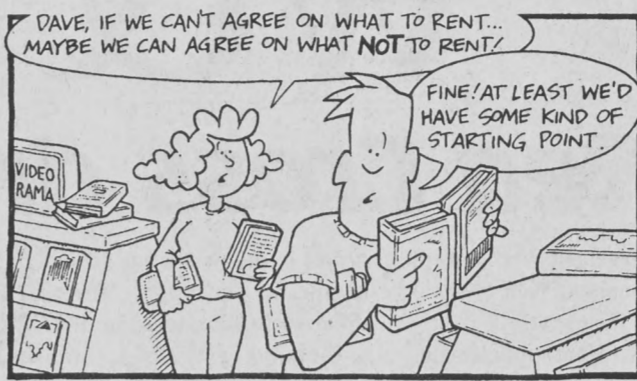


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Noise"), Boogie Down Productions, Eric B. & Rakim, D.J. Polo, and Busta Rhymes. In this sense, their performance traced the history of their genre. By re-discovering the past, the Roots may be leading the way to the

future. Gangsta rap has been flooded by no-name artists who all boast the same criminal record. The recent death of Tupac Shakur and the long delay in the release of Dr. Dre's next album, in conjunction with rap's mediocrity, have gutted the rap scene. The recent

popularity of the Fugees seems to indicate that rap's fans want something new. If the Roots receive sufficient airplay on MTV, they could easily ascend to the top of the rap heap. W&L may have witnessed the next rap superstar last Friday.

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 WSOCCKER - Sat. at Widener, 12:00 p.m.
 VOLLEYBALL - Fri. & Sat. at Gallaudet Invitational
 WATER POLO - Fri. at Hopkins, 7:00 p.m., Sat. at CWPA Tourney at George Washington
 GOLF - Mon. at Greensboro Invitational, TBA
 TENNIS - Sun., Men's Fall Classic, 9:00 a.m.
 CROSS COUNTRY - Sat. at VA State Championship, 9:00 a.m.

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Last week's results:

FOOTBALL - L. 21-10 vs. Randolph-Macon
 MSOCCER - W. 4-1 vs. Guilford; W. 2-1 vs. VMI
 WSOCCKER - L. 1-0 vs. R-M; L. 1-0 vs. Wooster; W. 3-1 vs. Roanoke
 VOLLEYBALL - W vs. Emory and Henry (18-6, 15-6, 15-1)
 WATER POLO - L. 16-11 vs. Hopkins
 CROSS COUNTRY - Idle

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FOOTBALL, SOCCER, WATER POLO, VOLLEYBALL, CROSS COUNTRY

OCTOBER 11, 1996

Men and women have successful week:

Soccer teams move closer to conference titles

By KRIS MATHIS
Phi STAFF WRITER

The Washington and Lee men's and women's soccer teams are once again off to an outstanding start as each team prepares to vie for the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship later this month. Both teams are riding high after emotional victories over long time rivals this past

week. The men recorded their seventh victory of the season in dramatic fashion by completing an incredible comeback to knock off cross-town rival Virginia Military Institute 2-1 at Brewbaker Field Wednesday night. The Keydets scored just three minutes into the game. But freshman Jamie Parker played the hero for the Generals as he scored his 13th and 14th goals of the season during the second half, putting the score at 2-1. With the exception of VMI's lone goal in the first half, goalie Garry Hill held the Keydets scoreless. Though the Generals started slow, a stirring comeback excited both fans and players alike.

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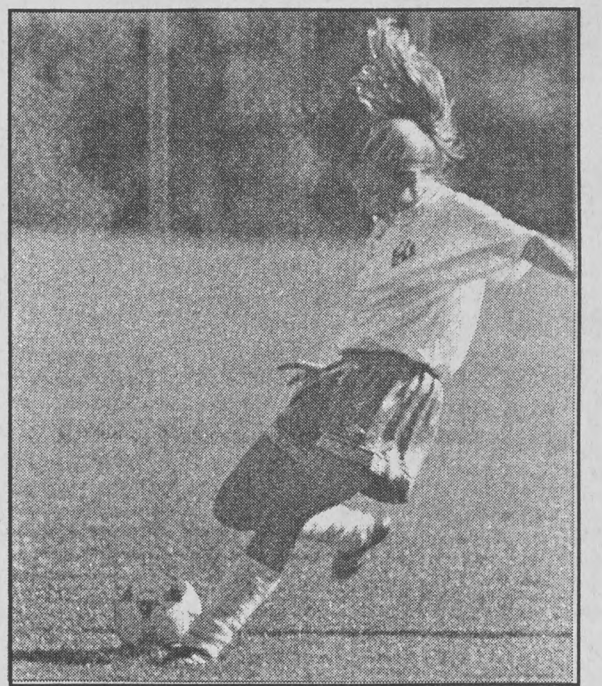
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freshman midfielder Jason Miller

Jason Miller said after the emotional victory. VMI has controlled the series recently, winning the previ-

ous three meetings between the two schools. With the win, the Generals ran their record to 7-1 with the only loss coming at Goucher College on September 28. The men will next prepare for Saturday's ODAC battle with Hampden-Sydney. Following that game, the Generals will get a huge test when they travel to Atlanta to take on #4 Emory University. The women's soccer team, meanwhile, hosted ODAC rival Roanoke on Thursday night. Washington and Lee came out strong, taking the early lead on a goal from Leighton Kirby. Roanoke scored their lone goal of the night with eight minutes to go in the first half. Erica Reineke and Kirby answered for

the Generals, both netting goals before halftime. Goalies senior Beth Mozena and freshman Stephanie McKnight combined for the second half shutout. The 3-2 win advances their record to 8-2 and gives Washington and Lee sole possession of second place in the conference. W&L is also now ranked eighth in the Southern Region for women's soccer. The Generals will continue their quest for the ODAC championship when they travel to Widener College on Saturday. Both the men's and women's soccer teams face tough schedules in the next few weeks as they prepare for the ODAC tournament and possibly for bids to the NCAA Division III championships in mid-November.



Leighton Kirby scored two goals against Roanoke. Publicity Photo

Whiners, Winners and Other Observations

THE VIEW FROM ABOVE
By ERIC ZAVOLINSKY

As the weather outside gets cooler, the sports world is heating up. The baseball playoffs are here and the NFL is in full swing. Add the beginning of the NHL season and the beginning of NBA training camp to the mix and there is a full slate of sports to discuss. This is my take on the MLB Playoffs, whiners, winners and other observations. How is it that Baltimore Orioles fans, who wholeheartedly supported Cal Ripken in his pursuit of baseball immortality, can cheer for Roberto Alomar? These fans know pure baseball when they see it, yet they support a guy who spits in the face of another human. What a shame. That's why I won't feel badly for them when they get spanked by the Yankees.

Atlanta against St. Louis could potentially be a better series than most would think. Of course Atlanta should be favored, after all they have been to the playoffs five straight years, but don't count out the veteran Cardinals. They have a great manager who knows how to win in Tony La Russa. One of the best relievers in baseball history in Dennis Eckersley, and some veteran stars including Ron Gant, Brian Jordan, Ray Lankford, Gary Gaetti and the Wizard Ozzie Smith. The series will hinge on the Cardinals pitching and their ability to get through Atlanta's power packed lineup.

Will somebody please tell the Jeff George's of the world to please shut up? I'm sick of hearing players who lose all the time, whine about their lives, how they don't make enough money, or how they have been treated unfairly by their coaches, media, fans, etc. Play the game, or don't play the game, but don't make us listen to you scream like a baby.

Could the New York Jets be any worse? It's a good thing that they signed Neil O'Donnell for around \$25 million or the league might send them back to the AFL. Not winning any games is the best thing that can happen to the Jets now. Potential number one draft pick Peyton Manning will be a great fit with Rich Kotite (3-24 as Jets coach) at the helm. Oh, and the Pittsburgh Steelers really seemed to miss O'Donnell last week when Mike Tomczak threw for over 300 yards in their win over the Chiefs.

Good luck to Olympic cyclist and two-time Tour DuPont winner Lance Armstrong in his bout with cancer. Armstrong seems to be one high class athlete and hopefully he will be racing again soon.

The W&L women's volleyball team is having another outstanding year. The Generals are not only battling to repeat as ODAC champions, but they are attempting to earn an NCAA Tournament bid. Keep at em' and good luck!

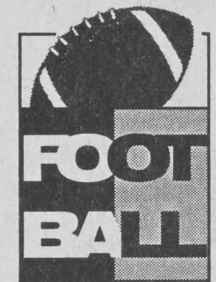
The early to mid 1980's were a great time to be an Edmonton Oilers fan. Wayne Gretzky and Mark Messier led the team to four Stanley Cup trophies. Now, as the two near the end of their respective careers, they get one last chance on Broadway playing for the New York Rangers. Hockey is still an up and coming sport with an ever-growing fan base. Young fans should be thrilled to see two great hockey players skating again. I know I am.

This is the View From Above.

Congratulations to Assistant Athletic Trainer Patti Colliton and Assistant Football Coach Gavin Colliton on the birth of their son, John, October 8, 1996.

Yellow Jackets sting Generals, 21-10

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER AND BETHANY BAUMAN
Phi SPORTS EDITORS



The Homecoming football game last Saturday started out spectacularly for the Generals. Unfortunately for the men wearing blue and white, it did not end the same way it started.

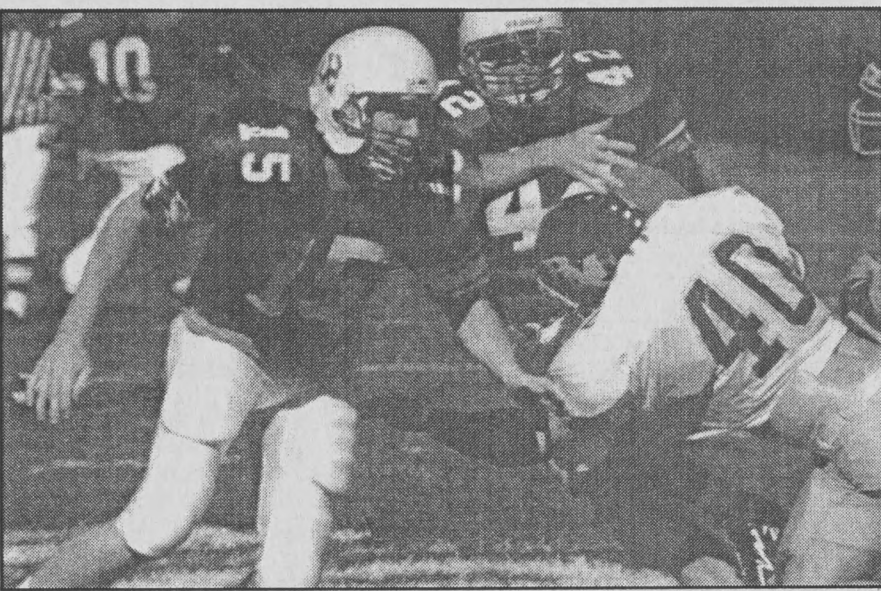
The Generals could not hold a 10-0 first-half lead and fell to ODAC power Randolph-Macon, 21-10. The loss dropped the Generals to 1-3 overall, 0-2 in the ODAC. Randolph-Macon has been picked by many to strongly contend for the conference title this season, but the Yellow Jackets showed few signs early of being a team that has beaten W&L six straight times.

After Randolph-Macon fumbled on its first possession, the W&L offense

started the day with a bang. Senior quarterback Brooks Fischer returned after missing last week's game with a shoulder injury and scored a touchdown on a 17-yard run to give W&L a quick 7-0 lead. Despite showing little ability to pass, the Yellow Jackets began to move the ball on the ground after the Generals' TD. But the W&L defense kept R-MC out of the red zone, stopping the Jackets once on downs in W&L territory. When junior kicker Matt Holbrook booted a 26-yard field goal midway through the second quarter, the Generals, now up 10-0, began smelling an upset. But Randolph-Macon began snuffing out those upset hopes late in the second quarter when it scored a touchdown following a W&L turnover to cut the deficit to 10-7 at halftime. Third quarters have not been kind to the Generals this year, and it was no different Saturday. Randolph-Macon stormed out after the break to score touchdowns on its first two second-half possessions to give W&L a deficit at 21-10 from which it could not recover. The Generals have now been outscored 42-9 in the third quarter this season.



Aaron Wilkinson (43) takes the handoff from Brooks Fischer (13). Photo by Julien Williams



Trey Carr (15) makes a key tackle against Randolph-Macon. Photo by Julien Williams

Despite its third quarter woes, the Generals' defense kept alive its streak of not allowing a point in the fourth quarter. But the Yellow Jackets' defense was equally up to the challenge, and the tough R-MC running game controlled the clock throughout most of the final quarter, preventing W&L from making a comeback. Junior defensive end Jack Boyd rose to the occasion for the Generals' defense by amassing a W&L season-high 19 tackles, 5 of them solo tackles. Boyd is now second on the team with 44 tackles, trailing only his brother McGuire's 53 tackles. Junior defensive tackle Omar Moneim was also a major force as he racked up a season-high 10 tackles, including his first sack. Fellow tackle Neil Kelleter also had a season-high in tackles with 9. Offensively, Fischer played well as he converted on 21 of 30 passes for 151 yards to go along with his touchdown run. Senior Tommy Rueger, last week's starting QB, returned to his wide receiver position and hauled in one of Fischer's passes for 14 yards. Junior running back Seth McKinley made his 1996 debut, but managed only

five yards on three rushes as the R-MC defense stuffed the W&L running game throughout most of the second half. "We played very well in the first half...Critical mistakes hurt us in the second half," said sophomore tailback Floyd Young. "We showed we can play with the best and beat the best. We just have to focus on the little things and we'll keep winning games." W&L will try to climb out of the ODAC basement when it heads to football and academic rival Davidson College. The Division 1-AA Wildcats are now 2-2 after defeating Guilford last week, but Davidson has not beaten W&L at home since 1977. The Generals won 27-12 in 1992 and 9-3 in 1994 on Davidson's Richardson Field. Last year, W&L prevailed over Davidson in Lexington, 19-13. W&L leads the overall series, 17-10-1. The 1-3 Generals will hope for a repeat of the 1994 contest. When the Generals last entered the Davidson campus, they were 0-3 on the season, but their tense 9-3 win that day propelled the Generals to five wins in their last six games of the '94 season.

Phi Q&A with Aquatic's Coach Remillard

By JASON ZACHER AND BETHANY BAUMAN
Phi STAFF WRITERS

The Washington and Lee water polo team made their first appearance in Twombly Pool last Saturday in a match against Johns Hopkins.

Washington and Lee led 4-2 after the first quarter. The Generals hung on against the Blue Jays, 6-5, until late in the second. But then Hopkins went on a 6-1 run to pull away. Hopkins clinched the victory, 16-11. Senior James Silberstein led the Generals in scoring with four goals. Seniors Nathan Hottle and Pete Sorenson also netted two goals apiece in the effort.

Washington and Lee will face Hopkins again tonight, this time in Blue Jay's home pool. From there, the Generals will travel to George Washington University in Washington, D.C. for a CWPA tournament.

Q: What were your goals and expectations entering the season?
A: To recapture the Division III

championship title (October 19-20). We will have to beat James Hopkins University to accomplish this goal. We also set a goal of qualifying for the CWPA southern championship. We need to beat the University of Richmond next week to do this. (We) may also have to beat Johns Hopkins University.
 Q: What major changes were made from last season?
 A: We recruited two goalies, a glaring weakness last year. Additionally we brought in four other freshmen with polo experience. (We also) changed the offense a bit.
 Q: Which players are making an impact this year?
 A: Seniors James Silberstein, Nathan Hottle, and Pete Sorenson. Also, freshman Aaron Love is rapidly improving. Goalies Steve Stanres and Ryan Noble are improving each game.
 Q: How have you progressed towards your goals?
 A: We lost to JHU Saturday 16-11, the rematch is this Friday. They are beatable! U of R next week is also a big game, so there is still time!
 Q: What do you need to do before a game like Richmond next week?
 A: A win against JHU would go a long way to having us ready. Specifically, we need to play better ("tighter") defense!
 Q: What did you do right and wrong

last weekend against Hopkins?
 A: Too many mistakes! We scored 7 of 12 "man-up" situations, but gave up to many easy goals for JHU. We must get more athletically physical! We know what to do, it just has to be important enough to get it done. It's going to be physically uncomfortable for about 70 minutes. An athlete knows that! If you want to win, you accept the pain, allow it to motivate you and when the game is won the pain is gone. The athlete is willing to take that chance...If you fear losing, why go for it? The athlete would say, "Nothing, nothing hurts more to lose when you were capable of winning!"

Jock Shorts

By JEREMY McNAMEE

Golf

This past Tuesday and Wednesday the Washington and Lee men's golf team participated in the two-day Ferrum Invitational. The Generals posted another strong showing, placing third overall with a total score of 634. Individually, W&L's Tommy Dudley put together two solid rounds to finish second with a 152. Host Ferrum took the title with a score of 613.

Volleyball

On Wednesday night, the Washington and Lee women's volleyball team de-

feated Emory and Henry: 18-16, 15-6, 15-1. With the victory the Generals extended their home court winning streak to 16 matches. The Generals are now a perfect 4-0 in the ODAC, 16-3 overall. After struggling early against E&H, the Generals stormed back to take the first game 18-16. Washington and Lee dominated the next two games, winning 15-6 and 15-1. Senior Virginia Yoerg led the way with 14 kills in just 18 attack attempts. Nancy Reinhardt added 7 kills and Megan Snodgrass contributed 4 service aces for the Generals.

