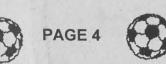
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Women's soccer goes to 6-0 as Karen Treese extends her all-time W&L goal scoring lead.



shares words of wisdom on getting and keeping a Homecoming date.

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Monday

Sorority housing location decided

By Kathryn Mayurnik
News Editor

There's no place like home. which are now one step closer to finally having a place to call their own.

At a meeting of Dean of Students David Howison, Dean Leroy "Buddy" Atkins, Panhellenic Council members and sorority presidents Wednesday, a much-anticipated consensus was reached on the type of sorority houses the university will build and where they will be constructed.

But the Board of Trustees still needs to consider the resolution at their meeting in early November.

The actual date for contruction has not yet been set. "We still need to decided on an architect and other plans," Panhellenic Housing Chairman Katherine McAlpine said. "I see the best case scenario being 1999."

"I am confident that the Board will approve it," Panhellenic Council President Laurence Phillips said. "But there are no guarantees.'

If the resolution is passed, the university will build five sorority houses in the Woods Creek Ravine area, southwest of the Footbridge, near the tennis courts.

"The central issue in making the for women to have comparable hous- Christina Shumate said.

"The property has some nice, interesting terrain because it's wooded," Howison said. "And it is above the flood plane."

The Montessori Center for Children lies at the end of the property, but the plans will not affect the school, Howison said.

"It's a beautiful piece of property," Phillips said. "It is a very convenient and safe location because it is close

to campus. I encourage everyone to go and check it out."

Each house would have an occu-No one knows this better than pancy of 20 (four single and eight Washington and Lee's sororities, double rooms), a housemother's suite, a dining/chapter room to accommodate 80 or more and a lounge area for all-purpose use such as rush, receptions, leisure and study. Exterior patios and recreation spaces would be integrated into the house sites. Each house would have a full kitchen. Each sorority will decide whether they will hire a cook.

> "Nothing like this has happened for W&L women thus far," Phillips said. "Women will finally have a physical presence on campus."

> "This is a very exciting announcement," Panhellenic Council Sara McCrone said.

"Before there was talk of having some sort of communal housing, but the decision for each sorority to have its own house and its own kitchen seems to be the right one for every sorority."

Sorority members were given surveys and invited to voice their opinions in seminars about sorority housing, McCrone said. "This resolution matches what women on this campus

"The fact that the university has decision was one of equity," Howison made this a high priority represents a said. "W&L has fine fraternity big victory for sororities and women houses, and now the time has come in general," Panhellenic delegate

Howison said.

"If a sixth sorority is added, the university will provide comparable

number of girls who pledge sororities would be set in accordance with Uniand might not be able to support another chapter anyway," Shumate said. "The dues will rise to an amount com-

parable to fraternity dues. Many women now take advantage of the present system which is relatively inexpensive, but with the increase in dues, we might see a decrease in girls pledging sororities."

However, Phillips believes that sorority housing will spark an increase in Greek women.

"Women will have a physical meeting place to meet and be with friends," Phillips said. "I think this will attract women to join sororities."

Each sorority will select sophomores and members from the 1998 pledge class to decide on particular color schemes for the houses.

The sorority women living in the old Delta Tau Delta house was an experiment with sorority housing that has worked out tremendously well so far, McCrone said.

"The women are definitely taking advantage of the resources available to them here," Resident Assistant Heather Cook said. "They love it here and don't want to leave."

It has not yet been determined what will happen to the house when sorority houses are built, Phillips said. "I hope that we can keep the house to be an annex to the sorority houses," Phillips said. "It is a central place where sororities can have parties."

In contrast with fraternity houses, the sorority houses would have no "party room" basement area. Since National Panhellenic/Sorority rules If more chapters are added, the prohibit alcohol in the houses, there university will accommodate them, is no need for such a place, Phillips

The Sorority House Corporations would lease the sorority houses from housing for that sorority," Howison the university and be responsible for hiring housemothers and managing "We might see a decrease in the the kitchen operations. Room rates versity room rates. Throughout this

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East Lex, Salerno's victims of bridge

By HILLARY COOMBS

SHAKE IT UP, BABY

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- Managing Editor

Sophomore Cyndi Johnson performs to "Breathe" by Prodigy with the R.E. Belles at the Dining Hall's old-

fashioned pep rally and cook-out Friday afternoon in the Baker-Davis-Gilliam Quad. HOLLISTER HOVEY/PHOTO

nly two-tenths of a mile and three lanes of as phalt separate the East Lexington Store and Salerno's, but their futures are miles apart.

After the Commonwealth Transportation Board's approval of the \$8.7 million East Lexington bridge project recenty, both businesses will have to go with the winds of

East Lex must build a new entrance, but will remain at its current location. Salerno's must move. The owners still don't know where it will go.

They do have a common past, though. Both proprietors learned at a Feb. 13 public hearing at the National Guard Armory, sponsored by the Virginia Department of Transportation, that their businesses would be affected by the project.

"I had no (initial) input at all," Jim Bowen, owner of will be where the parking is now. It will have to be paved

nally went to the meeting in February after a couple of friends who had some knowledge of the situation and the latest plans told me access to my property would be cut

Bowen did not attend earlier meetings because "The original plans were presented as not having an effect on

In fact, the additional lanes will not encroach on Bowen's property or limit access to East Lex. The problem isn't the lanes; it's the guardrails. They will run through the space in front of the store where the gas pumps are now located, effectively cutting off the current entrance.

Eventually, Bowen and VDOT worked out a new route to his convenience store, via state Route 631. "The main effect it will have will be on the driveway usage and access to the property," Bowen said. "The (new) entrance ...

East Lex, said. "No one ever came by to talk to me. I fi- and upgraded." He does not know who will be paying for these "upgrades" or how much they will cost.

The gas pumps will also have to be relocated. Besides the fact that VDOT plans to place guardrails where the pumps are now, Bowen recently discovered that the pumps are on state land. "The place I get gas from owns the pumps," Bowen said. "I guess they'll have to pick up the tab since the pumps are on state property." The pumps will probably be moved to what is now an undeveloped, wooded area behind the store.

Bowen is trying to concentrate on the positive aspects of his forced exterior redecorating.

"It may be safer to get in and out," he said. "If it helps smooth out traffic flow, then it won't have that grave an effect."

He does not know, however, what the long-term effect of the rerouting will be on his business.

The owner's of Salerno's do. The news the Graziano family eventually received about the effect of the bridge project was that they would have to move their business.

The experience has been anything but positive. "We have no idea what will happen to us," Carol Graziano said. "We thought we were going to be taken care of, but VDOT won't even talk to us."

After learning that the property on which their business stands would be acquired as part of the project, the restaurant's owners asked to be released from their lease so they could move their business. Their landlord refused. Salerno's must now wait until the state acquires the

property and terminates its lease before the business can afford to relocate. They have heard that will be before the end of 1997. The family does not yet know whether they'll receive any compensation for the trouble the new bridge has caused them. They plan to relocate, but so far, the uncertainty of their situation has prevented the Graziano's from securing a new lease.

"We're in the hands of VDOT," Graziano said. "And they really don't care a bag of beans about us. To them, we're just a spot in their way."

Hornsby's for Homecoming

By KATHRYN MAYURNIK

Tickets are expected to sell out for 1997 homecoming concert, featuring nine-time Grammy nominee and Virginia born and bred Bruce Hornsby. Washington and Lee favorite "Agents of Good Roots" will open the concert.

"Bruce Hornsby is a good change from other bands we've had in the past," Student Activities Board Vice President of Publicity Dana Hood, said. "Finally, it's not rap."

Hornsby's music appeals to a wide variety of

tastes. "He's definitely pretty mainstream and has achieved popular success," Wayne Raynal, owner of Night Owl Music, said. "But I don't want to damn it by calling it popular because his music is written pretty well. And he's an excellent keyboard

Hornsby's five albums, "The Way It Is" (1986), "Scenes from the Southside" (1988), "A Night on



*Alumnus shares perspectives on honor, honesty in business

By George Urban

STAFF WRITER Richard Duchossois '44, legend of private industry and benefactor of Washington and Lee's Duchossois Tennis Center, returned to Lexington on Thursday. He met with several students at an afternoon reception, sharing insights on family business, international business and regulation of private industry. After dining at the Lee House, Duchossois gave a talk at the Commerce School on "Doing

Business Honorably.' Praising the culture of honor at W&L, Duchossois advised students, "Never compromise your integrity. success to this way of life.

Your honor is the most valued possession you can have."

He added that once honor is lost, it is impossible to regain.

"Honor is a verb — it is something you do," Duchossois told the audience. In the course of time, not doing the right thing will cost you success ing value to everything we do," inin the business world, he said. "You may get away with something once or twice, but eventually it will catch

up to you." ture strongly based on honor in his ers. He believes that nothing is imposcompany, Duchossois Industries. He attributes much of his corporation's

"You have to have the confidence of your customers and run a good business, too."

Running a good business is something Duchossois has excelled at, also. Keeping the company private has allowed him to look to the future, "addstead of trying to pad the next quarter's figure to keep public share-

holders happy. Duchossois' success is deeply Duchossois has developed a cul- rooted in his commitment to customsible and leads his team by example.

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Dyson speaks at Lee Chapel

ARCH. FOLIO

By Julieann Ulin

STAFF WRITER

Freeman Dyson, the physicist who wrote this year's required freshman reading, "Infinite in All Directions," is no stranger to the poverty that he seeks to correct.

His wife grew up in an East German village whose economy was destroyed by the fall of Communism. "I have seen with my own eyes what happens to a village when the economic basis of life collapses," he said, at his lecture Wednesday in Lee Chapel.

Dyson visited his wife's childhood town a few weeks ago, and said the village's revival was the result of modernization and low interest loans.

The lecture, which was broadcast by WLUR-FM and Cable 2, centered around the reduction of poverty and the overcrowding of cities through modern technology such as solar energy, genetic engineering and the Internet. Dyson praised Washington and Lee's fall seminar on poverty for promoting awareness of this worldwide crisis. "My mission in what is left of my life is to put new technologies to work in the cause of social justice," he said.

"The international market devalues the work of the village," Dyson said. "Without work, the younger and more enterprising people move out, leading to the destruction of the village economy and the resulting overcrowding of the cities."

"His contribution to science through his research in theoretical physics and to the contemporary life of the mind is an unparalleled example of human accomplishment," Dean Laurent Boetsch said in the introduction.

Dyson's solution to poverty incorporated the use of the Internet and the genetic engineering of trees capable of harnessing solar energy as a means of enabling businesses and farmers in remote places to function as a part of the global community, ending the global isolation of poor countries and poor people.

At the close of his speech, Dyson turned to a message of hope. "I see a hope that all the world will move far and fast in the direction I have been describing. Let us all help to push the world in that direction as hard as we can. It does no harm to hope."

Dyson is a graduate of Winchester College, the University of Cambridge and Cornell University. He has been the recipient of 17 honorary degrees, including ones from Princeton, Dartmouth and Oxford. He is currently a professor emeritus at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University. Dyson also aided with the development and design of the Orion spaceship in 1956.

Phi lunchtime poll:

Freshmen refelct on first crazy month

BY DAN BIRDWHISTLE

To give the class of 2001 a chance to shine, we at The Ring-Tum Phi ventured out to ask some probing questions of this the first class of the new millennium.

What is the strangest thing you have done at W&L so far?

"I can't say- I'm not allowed." -Geoffrey White

How was lunch? It was wonderful!

-Annabelle Wirth upon

exiting the D-Hall

What are you doing tonight?

"I dunno, why?" -Martha Cornbrooks

What is the strangest thing you have seen in the dorms so far?

"Becca got rolled in toliet paper last night, and the other night, two guys were spanking each other."

-Emily Grandt

How is your chicken?

"A little burnt, but not bad." -Will Baker

How many upperclass guys have hit on you thus far?

"I have not been hit on by any- yet!" -Carson Schroder (male)

Where were you last night at mid-

"I was in Birdie and Tom's room eating Swedish fish."

-Kathleen Moroney

How many upperclass guys have hit on you thus far?

"I don't wanna answer that in the

-Lacey Winford

Was she in your room eating

"Yeah, among other things."

What do you think of the freshmen guys?

"Well, there are a few cute ones. Dan Birdwhistell is our favorite."

> -Amy Hall upon conferring with her friends over lunch

What is it like eating with Dave Lehman, the coolest man in the world?

"Well, it's nice. It makes me feel

-Etan Levine

Do you like the Lucky Charms in the D-hall?

"Yes, here is how I eat them. First, you eat the little cheeriolike thingies, then you eat the marshmallows, cuz that's the best part."

> -Katie Harding, illustrating the Lucky Charms eating process

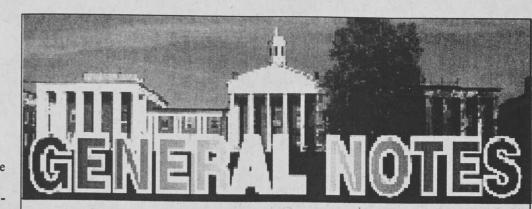
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the Town" (1990), "Harbor Light" (1993) and "Hot House" (1995) have sold over 8 million copies worldwide. Hornsby's new album hits the record stores this August.

He has also written Top Ten hits with other artists, such as Huey Lewis and the News and Don Henley. Hornsby was also a part-time member of the Grateful Dead from Sept. 1990 to March 1992, performing over 100 concerts in America and Europe. In 1996 Horsby was a part of the post-Greatful Dead "Further Festival" tour.

Tickets go on sale in front of the Co-op Wednesday for W&L students for \$10. Ticket sale for non-W&L patrons start next Tuesday for \$16.



PROGRAM FOCUSES ON THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL

"Alcoholiday!," an autobiographical comedy/drama performance by Andy Hill that focuses on alcohol addiction, will be presented on Sunday, Oct. 5, at 7 p.m. in the Keller Theater of the Lenfest Center.

It is sponsored by the David Thompson Endowment Fund, which was established in 1996 by Thompson's family to sponsor educational programming in relation to alcohol use

"Alcoholiday! Graduated, Unskilled, Unemployed: Confessions of a Party Animal" focuses on the progression of addiction to alcohol, which often begins with the choices and issues facing college students today.

After the performance, Hill will answer questions and help create a workshop for those who want to help students consider the choices to make about alcohol at W&L. Admission to the performances is free.

PULITZER PRIZE WINNER W.S. MERWIN TO SPEAK

W.S. Merwin, who won the Pulitzer Prize in 1971 for "The Carrier of Ladders," will give a poetry reading at W&L on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 4 p.m. in the Leyburn Library's Northen Auditorium. The reading is sponsored by the Glasgow Endowment Program.

Merwin's newest collections of poems are called "The Vixen" and "Flower and Hand: Poems 1977-1983", which reprints three earlier collections. His prose collection, "The Lost Upland", was named one of the 10 best books of 1994 by The New York Times.

W&L STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Senior Glenn F. Miller of Red Bank, N.J. has been selected to receive a \$500 Paul B. Slater National Competition Scholarship from the Sigma Phi Epsilon Educational Foundation. Miller is one of fifteen National Competition Scholarship recipients for 1997.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE ENCOURAGES VACCINE

The Student Health Center will offer the influenza vaccine to all University students and staff members. Weekly clinics will be held in the University Center Room 109 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Oct. 14 and concluding November 18. The vaccine is also available daily at the Health Center located on the lower floor of Davis dormitory, between noon and 1 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. There will be a charge of \$5 for the vaccine.

BETA TO HOLD FOOSEBALL TOURNAMENT

Beta Theta Pi will hold a charity fooseball tournament to raise money for the Roger Hazelwood Memorial Fund. Hazelwood died of a heart attack this summer. He was the Beta's cook for five years, and the brothers felt a strong attachment to him. Tickets are \$25 for teams of two. For more information, contact Tom Fallace at 462-5189.

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By GINGER PHILLIPS

STAFF WRITER

More important

The most popular

STD test at the

Student Health

Center is for HIV.

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t's something we don't like to talk about. It's something we don't even like to think about. But the fact is that sexually transmitted diseases are rapidly spreading throughout college campuses across the nation even here at Washington and Lee.

The American Social Health Association reports that two-thirds of decisions more difficult." new STD cases in the United States each year affect people under the age of 25. This is a scary number and a trend which we must combat.

"Many people hear stories about others with STDs, but they never think it could happen to them until it does," said a freshman who declined to be named.

understanding about how sexual diseases are transmitted is very important. STDs are transmitted when body fluids mix through direct contact with an infected area. You can contract an STD without having intercourse,

if your partner is infected. Symptoms are on college campuses nationwide. either not visible or do not occur at all.

THE INVINCIBILITY MYTH "Many college students have a feeling of invincibility which leads them to believe that they could never be in-Health Center (SHC) Coordinator.

contracting an STD from another student is low. This is another myth that students must disregard; anyone can be infected with an STD.

While not all STDs are curable, all of them are preventable. You've always heard that not having sex is the only sure prevention, and as blasé as that may sound, it's true. "There is no such thing as safe sex, but there is safer

sex," according to Dr. Jane Horton of the SHC.

Good communication between partners is always important. "A person needs to clearly think out their personal values ahead of time," Kaufman advises.

Clear thinking can prevent hasty and possibly regrettable decisions. Kaufman also stresses that drinking "clouds judgement and makes good

Fumbling around in a drunken haze can also impair the ability to effectively use protection. Although students may believe they know how to use a condom, they often do not know how to use it correctly. A condom must be put on and removed correctly, remain in place during inter-There are many misconceptions course and not break or tear in order to about the spreading of STDs, so an be effective. Even with the right tech-

nique, some infections can pass through microscopic openings in the condom.

STDs at W&L The most prevalent STDs at W&L are HPV, herpes, chlamydia and HBV. HPV, or Human

and you will not always be able to tell Papillomavirus, is the most common STD

HPV has many different strains, sometimes resulting in genital warts and cell changes that can lead to cancer. Warts are often hard to spot. They are either invisible to the naked eye or lofected," says Jan Kaufman, Student cated in places that cannot be seen so just because the symptoms aren't ob-Many W&L students believe that vious doesn't mean that the disease is because other W&L students are gen-not there. HPV is treatable, but the body erally from good families, the risk of must rely on its own immune system to fight the virus. Once infected, a person is infected for life.

Another incurable virus is herpes, characterized by either sores in the oral or genital area. A person infected with herpes can also be symptom free, and the first outbreak is usually more severe than subsequent outbreaks. Treatment is available for this STD.

Chlamydia is a bacterial infection

which is six times more common than genital herpes and 40 times more common than syphilis. Symptoms include a burning sensation during urination, pain during intercourse and vaginal and penal discharge. However, over 75 percent of women and 25 percent of men have no symptoms of this dis-

cial antibiotic treatments. One in 20 Americans has been diagnosed with HBV, or the Hepatitis B Virus, which is often transmitted through sexual intercourse. There is a vaccination for the prevention of HBV, and it can be administered in the SHC.

ease. Chlamydia is curable with spe-

Despite the fact that HPV, herpes, chlamydia and HBV are the most common STDs at W&L, the most testing at the SHC is for HIV, or human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS.

Dr. Horton believes one reason for the high risk of STDs among college students is serial monogamy. Students practice monogamy while in a relationship but have multiple relationships and multiple sexual partners in a relatively short period of time.

She also says that many students

under the influence of alcohol engage in behaviors which they might not normally do. "Students don't always think about safety, as their judgement is being impaired by alcohol."

Kaufman thinks that a lack of understanding of and communication about STDs has contributed to a greater number of cases. Often students are un-

comfortable talking about STDs. Students may fear rejection from revealing an intimate part of themselves by discussing their sexual history with a new partner.

However, there is evidence to support the fact that W&L students are practicing safer sex. W&L's results in the Harvard Alcohol Survey indicate there has been a decrease in the last three years of students who engage in unplanned sexual activity and who do not use protection. This is par-

tially due to the fact that students are becoming more informed about HIV and

SOLUTIONS So what should you do if you think you might have a sexually transmitted disease? Talk to a doctor. Don't feel embarrassed about seeking counseling or being tested. If you are infected, then getting tested will only help you to receive treatment earlier. If not, then testing

will give you a muchneeded sense of relief.

Visits to the SHC are strictly confidential, and parents will not be notified of your visit or test results. Students may discuss testing and treatment options with a doctor. The SHC is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and appointments can be made by phone. It's not necessary to reveal the reason for the appointment. Just tell the nurse you would like to

An STD doesn't effect a student's

Crash course:

Brochures in

the University

Center inform

you about STDs.

other infections and know more about status at W&L. The University Policy safer sex practices than they did in the past. on AIDS states that HIV-positive students "will not be excluded from enrollment or employment or restricted in their access to University facilities."

> The SHC and various organizations offer many resources relating to STDs. Condoms may be obtained for 25 cents from machines in the student laundry rooms or free from the SHC.

> Students can find pamphlets on STDs and other sexual concerns near the counseling offices in the University Center. LIFE conducts programs to educate students on sexuality. University counseling, Peer Counselors, dorm counselors and Student Athlete Mentors are available for counseling.

> The risks of sexual activity are very high. Having safe sex doesn't necessarily mean having no sex, but students must learn to be responsible. There's a lot more at stake here than failing a test or missing a party.

Kaufman has this advice: "Students need to think about what it is that they want from a relationship, and have a "personal talk" with the doctor. they must communicate, which means listening as well as talking."

Check your STD IQ*

Take a minute to answer True or False to the following questions:

1. You are only at risk of getting an STD if you have sexual intercourse.

2. Viral STDs (like genital warts and herpes) cannot be cured. 3. Women are at greater risk than men for STDs.

4. Sex with a condom will protect you from STDs

5. If your partner doesn't have any symptoms of an STD, he/she probably doesn't have an STD.

6 Some STDs can be deadly.

on STDs. You're at risk.

7. If you get an STD, you can never have sex again.

8. You can only have one STD at a time. 9 National statistics show that 1 out of every 100 college students have

the most common STD, genital warts. 10. You should include STD testing in your regular medical check-up.

Now score your quiz. Give yourself 10 points for each correct answer. If your score is 90% or higher, congratulations, you're informed, knowledgeable and taking control of your sexual health. Keep up the good work. If your score is under 90%, pick up some brochures in the university center

* STD IQ questions and answers are from information provided by Stratis.

as and viruses can be present without positive testing Be aware that there are limitations to the value of testing, as latent bacteesbecisfix it you have changed partners or have more than one partner. 10. True, STD testing should be part of your regular medical check-up, 9. False. Almost 9% of all college students have genital warts.

five, the immune system may be unable to control others. good functioning of the immune system. When one of these STDs is acsome STDs, particularly those caused by viruses, is highly dependent on 8 False, You can have more than one STD at the same time. Control of spie. A doctor can advise you on how to manage your sex life Others, like genital warts and genital herpes, are treatable and manage-7 False Some STDs like Chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis are cutable 6. True Pelvic Inflammatory Disease, HIV and Hepatitis B can lead to death.

onter vaginal areas) and may leave you at risk not cover all areas of possible infection (such as the base of the penis or 4 False While latex condoms help protest against some STDs, they do

2 False. Many STDs initially have no symptoms, especially in women

dak than men for acquiring STDs. 3 True. Because of their anatomy and physiology, women are at greater 2. True. Viral STDs can be treated and managed but not cured.

masturbation can be just as neky as intercourse genital, or skin-to-skin contact with an infected area. Massage and mutual 1. False. Some STDs can be spread either by genital to genital, hand to

SJAWSUA

here's something to be said for planning ahead and meticulously applying for several summer internships to increase your odds of unearthing the perfect opportunity. I wish I could say I was that organized.Instead, I sauntered into the Career Development and Placement Office last January expecting the perfect internship to land at my feet with minimal effort on my part. To my dismay, the receptionist pointed me in the direction of the library.

I rifled through book after book before I realized that while many internships were available, not many fit my three requirements: money, real work and a Philadelphia-area location.

The vast majority of internships offer students the opportunity to improve communication skills (while on the phone with secretaries of big shots), to become more worldly (while sending international faxes) and experience corporate meetings (while pouring coffee). To show their appreciation for months of drudgery, they offer a warm handshake and the same letter of recommendation they've used for the last 10 interns.

I wasn't interested in the vast majority of internships. Instead, the CDPO helped coordinate an alumnisponsored internship in the Global Ventures Department of Covance Inc., a contract research organization for pharmaceutical and biotech industries.

Patrick Durbin, my internship director, told me he expected big things from the start. In his mind, I wasn't a peon, but a professional.

My first week was divided between meeting influential co-workers and department heads and attending training sessions. Patrick, concerned that I might be intimidated working with so many men, arranged a lunch and mentorship with Diana Faillace, a senior attorney for Covance and one of few women in senior management.

Exciting and challenging projects began the following week and lasted the summer. Covance recently signed an agreement with the Chinese government to teach international clinical, laboratory and manufacturing standards to stateowned facilities. Covance hired me to research the Chinese pharmaceutical industry and then summarize the information in an hour-long internal presentation about Covance's prospects in China.

I quickly established a rapport with the Corporate Marketing Department. Patrick encouraged me to pursue my interests. I developed an internal database of important contacts in the health-care industry for Covance, completed a survey and analysis of Covance's performance at the annual Drug Information Association trade-show and researched and wrote a bi-monthly Product Pipeline bulletin designed to support sales teams.

Other projects included reassigning and expanding client billing numbers, assisting on the Japan 1998 budget projection and 1997 budget report and researching information for ConnectNet, the Covance newsletter.

The uphill battle I fought to find a well-paid, intellectually stimulating internship was well worth it. Not only did I have an incredible time working for Covance, but they have tentatively offered me a job upon graduation. So while my peers are tearing out their hair looking for jobs, I can relax and enjoy my senior year.





Melody Andreola, with sponsor Jim Utterback, '77.



Vanessa Hall, in the wilderness

Two seniors tell us how they spent the summer

very time I mention my summer job as a trail worker to a W&L student, I am rewarded with a very strange look — a look which combines perplexity, a bit of awe and a deep concern for my mental health. I have been stationed for the last four summers at the Big Prairie Ranger Station — a small cluster of old cabins in the Bob Marshall Wilderness in Montana.

Most summer jobs include going home at night and working five-day weeks. Not mine. It's a 33-mile hike on foot to the nearest road. It's very difficult to leave on weekends, seeing as it would consist of a 66-

mile hike on foot. I did it. Once. My job includes working with primitive tools (all machine-operated equipment is banned from the wilderness, including chain saws and motor vehicles) such as crosscuts, axes, polaskis, shovels, picomatics, etc., maintaining trails, and doing construction as needed puncheons, turnpikes, waterbars, etc. Lots of hiking, digging, sawing, and chopping. But it's the duties left out of the job description that I will always remember.

I have developed a strong affection for mules in the past four years. With lots of heavy equipment for trail work, we depend on mules and horses for riding and packing our supplies.

The first time I saw a mule, I burst out laughing. Mules are pretty funny looking creatures with big floppy lips, large ears, and a bray halfway between that of a horse and a donkey. Each has a very strong, distinct personality of its own. One little adventure with Bertha (my all-time favorite mule) sticks out in my memory.

After unloading Bertha at the end of a hitch, I led her to the pasture to join her four-legged friends and graze to her heart's content. Tired, peaceful, and absorbed in the spectacular scenery around me, I rounded the last corner before the corral's gate and was brought out of my reverie as Bertha rapidly pulled back and stood at attention. Next to the gate was the biggest black bear I have ever seen.

The bear was minding its own business, rooting around for grubs d berries, so I wasn't really worried. Black bears are shy and generally not aggressive to humans. As I stood there admiring the bear's size, I noticed some very odd, heavy breathing next to my ear. Turning around, I saw Bertha's whole body trembling, her ears standing up and her chest vibrating with short, jerky breaths. She was hyperventilating - too smart to move and trigger a response from the bear, but almost too frightened to breathe. I turned Bertha right around and got her out of there, slowly at first, then more quickly as we drew further away from the bear.

While my job probably doesn't sound like much fun to most people, during these past four summers, I've learned to expect the unexpected, live in primitive conditions, do hard manual labor and truly enjoy the challenges that my job affords.

While it may be some people's nightmare, spending three months away from civilization with only my fellow employees, our livestock and the wilderness for company has become my dream-come-true — a way to temporarily visit a way of life nearly extinct today and a part of nature unspoiled by man.



By Erica Prosser

Inder the Route 60 overpass on Woods Creek is a house once occupied by Chemistry Professor Shillington. It's now occupied by children. The house is W&L property, and today the Montessori

school leases the property from the university. The school, unique in its own right, has a unique relationship with W&L. Montessori has occupied the house for three years, said

director Catherine Bodnar. Before that, it operated out of local churches. Many of its 28 students are children of W&L and Virginia Military Institute faculty, W&L law students and university staff. Though the school is not exclusively for these groups, it is convenient for them.

Montessori is indeed a school, Bodnar asserted, not a day care facility. The students range in age from two-anda-half to six.

"We respect children as capable learners," Bodnar said. It's an "individual-oriented, child directed" school, she continued, where the teachers follow the leads of students who are "hooked on learning." Dr. Nancy Margand of the W&L Psychology department is on Montessori's school board, and she said that even the toys in the school are "very educational."

Montessori's relationship with W&L goes even further. In the past, psychology students in need of classroom observation or interaction have gone to the school to work. Two W&L students currently work for pay at Montessori. Margand said the psychology department's involvement with the school has decreased in recent semesters, but interested students can still inquire with her or with Bodnar for work opportunities.

According to Bodnar, the student-to-adult ratio is 4:1 in the toddler class, which consists of two-and-a-half and threeyear-olds. The class of older children has a 15:1 ratio because the older children tend to need little instructional assistance.

Margand spoke highly of the program, saying that it is "special for a lot of kids." She also said the school has scholarships available for students with financial need. Bodnar said that the school will remain at its present location as long as W&L's long-range plans have room for it.

Bodnar said that other schools for young children in Lexington cannot rival the Montessori program.

"It's amazing what children are capable of doing," she said.

SPOTS September 29, 1997 Colonels prove too much for Generals on Hall of Fame Day

Centre

Volleyball (6-4)

RESULTS

Football (0-3)

Sat.: W&L

7th at Maryville Tournament

Women's Soccer (6-0)

W&L Sat.: Guilford W&L Sun.: Greensboro

Men's Soccer (4-1) E&H Thurs: W&L

Sat.: Goucher W&L

Sat.: 8th of 16 at Dickenson

Women's X-Country

Men's X-Country

9th of 19 at Sat.: Cortland St. Inv.

AHEAD

Football Sat.: at Randolph-Macon

Volleyball

Tues.: Home vs. RMWC Warner Center at 6:30 Thurs.: at Bridgewater

Rugby

Oct. 2: Season opens at VMI on the Parade Grounds

Men's Soccer

Wed.: Home vs. Western Mennonite at 4:00 Sat.: at Guilford

Women's Soccer

Thurs.: Home vs. S. Briar Sun.: at SW Texas @RMC Women's X-Country

Sat: 10/11.: at VA St. Meet

Men's X-Country Sat: 10/11: at VA St. Meet

By Brendan Harrington

In the world of baseball, the play-

offs start tomorrow night and the eight

teams that will battle for the World

mined. In the American League, the

defending champion New York Yan-

kees will take on the Cleveland Indi-

ans in a best of five series. While the

other series has the Baltimore Orioles

taking on the Seattle Mariners. In the

National League, the Houston Astros

will take on the Atlanta Braves and

the San Francisco Giants will face off

I find myself not all that excited

for the beginning of the baseball play-

offs. When I was younger, I wit-

nessed such thrills as game 6 of the

with the Florida Marlins.

The Sports Junkie

Series crown have all been deter- recent events that have basically ru-

The day after five former Gen-

By CHRIS PUGSLEY

erals athletes were inducted into the Washington and Lee Hall of Fame would be the perfect time for the Generals' first win of the season. Unfortunately, a very tough Centre College team stood in their way and proved to be too much for W&L, defeating the Generals 30-14. The Generals did play a solid game showing strengths both offensively and defensively, demonstrating that there are still good things to come in the future.

Offensively, J.T. Malatesta had a 100-yard receiving day including a 54 yard pass down to the Colonels' twoyard line. The Generals' offensive line, led by junior Marc Granger and senior Stefan Neumeister, provided excellent pass protection for its quarterback despite the excellent coverage by the Colonels' secondary. These traits led to two first half touchdowns for the Generals and closed the halftime gap to 21-14.

The second half was a great opportunity for the defense to show its fans that they could make an impact, and they did not disappoint. Superb coverage from senior All-ODAC cornerback John Benazzi along with senior Ryan Fletemyer and a good pass rush by the defensive line held the Colonels to nine second half points. Seniors Omar Moneim, Jack Boyd and Scott King all gained penetration through the Colonels' offensive line and shut down Centre's option attack in the second half. The Generals also came up with a fumble recovery and an interception in the second half, giving the offense some extra opportunities to score points.



Coach Frank Mirielo attmepts to boost the morale of his disgruntled defensive troops during the Hall of Fame Day where the Generals dropped their third straight to the Centre Colonels. Christie Phillips/Ring-tum Phi

ond half with Malatesta drawing Batchellor out of the pocket. The some noise in the ODAC. Generals remained scoreless in the second half and fell for the third

Unfortunately, the Generals' of- straight week. But both playing units fense could not get started in the sec-showed signs of good things to come in the next few weeks and with only double coverage and the Colonels one conference loss, the Generals still flushing quarterback Christian have a very good chance to make

STATS: 1st Rushes-Passing Off. Plays-Time of Downs Yards Yards Yards Possession Centre 20 56-145 175 82-320 36:00 W&L 24:00

Women's soccer is unbeatable

By Frances Groberg

And they keep winning.

The women's soccer team defeated two North Carolina teams this weekend, Guilford and Greensboro, to go 6-0 on the season. With these wins, the Generals have opened with the second best record in school history, one victory shy of last year's 7-0 start.

On Sunday against Greensboro, senior Lorraine Taurassi scored first for W&L, putting the Generals out in front just 12 minutes into the game.

1986 World Series between the Mets

and Red Sox and Kirk Gibson's dra-

matic home run in the first game of

the 1988 World Series. But due to

ined professional baseball for me, my

interest is at an all time low, though

last year was a very exciting post sea-

off system. The Houston Astros

should not be in the playoffs. Both

the Dodgers and Mets have better

records than the Astros, but since the

Central Division champ gets in no

matter what their record is, the Astros

get a ticket to the post season. There

have been many different suggestions

for realignment, including talk of put-

For starters, I hate the current play-

evened the game a short time later with a feed from Nicole Jurand.

The tie would not last long, as long as the Generals' leading scorer was on the field. With eight minutes left in the half, junior co-captain Karin Treese scored to put W&L out in front once again with a score of 2-1. In six games, Treese has scored 11 goals and is the all-time leading scorer in W&L women's soccer history.

Freshman Shana Levine, who recorded two goals on the weekend,

ting teams such as the Mets and Yan-

kees in the same division to promote

geographic rivalries. This new sys-

tem would do away with the National

and American Leagues as we know

them and ruin the tradition of base-

ball. In my opinion, the best thing to

would be to keep both leagues intact

but do away with divisions. Just sim-

ply take the teams with the four best

records from either league and put

Another problem I have with base-

ball is the length of the games. While

I was riding down to Lexington from

New York I listened to a Yankees/

Orioles game that turned out to be the

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them in the playoffs.

The Problems with Pro Baseball

Natalie Serianni of Greensboro widened the gap to 3-0 with just under six minutes left in the first half. The General's defense remained solid for the rest of the game, and the score stood at 3-1 at the game's conclusion.

Saturday against Guilford proved to be a day for captains and freshmen. The Generals defeated the Quakers by a score of 5-2, thanks to a scoring explosion in the second half when W&L rocketed three goals in threeand-a-half minutes past Guilford goalie Jenny Ackman.

In the first half, however, victory was not always certain. Freshman Margaret-Hunter Turner opened scoring in the first half for W&L with just 17 minutes remaining to put the Generals up 1-0, but Alison Schott of Guilford answered quickly with a goal of her own, tying the game at 1-1.

Late in the first half another freshman, Amanda McDermott, put W&L ahead again with her goal off a pass from freshman Elizabeth Olson. Guilford answered again with a goal from Abbey Weiner to tie the score

The game remained deadlocked at halftime and through most of the sec-

D Jock Shorts

Cross Country runs over most of opposition

· Men's soccer wins and loses · Volleyball takes 7th

Men's **Cross-Country**

The men's cross country team traveled to the Cortland State Invitational Saturday looking for a considerably better showing than the 16th place finish they took home last year. In finishing ninth out of 17 schools in a strong field, that is exactly what was achieved. Senior Jason Callen ran a season best time of 26:18 to place 12th overall in a field of 110 runners, and senior Will Olsen finished eight seconds later to claim 15th place. This weekend the team gets a chance for some much needed rest and relaxation before heading down the road October 11th to compete in a meet at VMI.

Women's **Cross-Country**

The women's cross country team See SOCCER page 5 journeyed to Dickinson College Sat-

urday to compete in the Dickinson Invitational Cross Country Meet. Junior Natalia Dorofeeva placed seventh in a field of 136 to lead W&L to an eighth place finish among the 16 teams present. Dorofeeva ran a season best time of 19:50 to lead the Generals for the 3rd consecutive week. Senior Carson Flowers was second across the line for the Generals with a time of 21:07 to finish 36th overall. Like their male counterparts, the women's cross country team will also be taking the weekend off before traveling to VMI in two weeks.

Men's Soccer

Junior forward Sam Chase is a scoring machine. With three goals and an assist in Thursdays game against Emory & Henry, Chase propelled the Generals to a 6-1 victory

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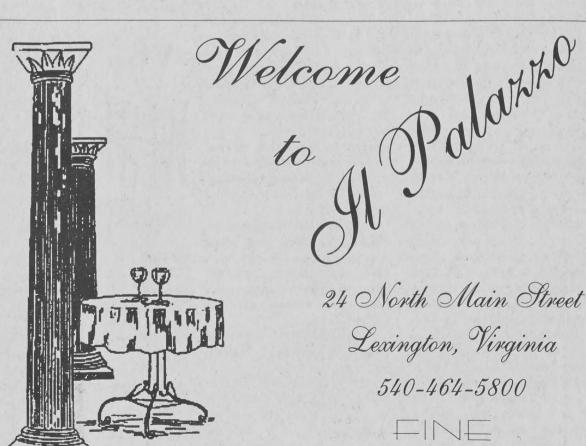
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and moved into third place on the alltime W&L scoring list.

Jamie Parker and I are really starting to play well together, Chase commented after Thursdays hat trick, when we are in sync the goals start to come.

Goals are definitely coming for Chase. With the winning shot in Saturday 4-2 triumph over Goucher College, Chase upped his total career goals to 35, only five beneath the school record of 40 set by Scott Fechnay in 1969.

Although Chase is only a junior, he is well on pace to break the alltime W&L record within the next few weeks. With the victories over Emory & Henry and Goucher this week, the men's soccer team re-Virginia Wesleyan last week and improved their overall season record

"We didn't ay especially well," noted Chase, "but we did what it takes to win"

One of the things Coach Piranian two did this week to improve the General's attack was to move All- #6 team in the South, Westminster. American sweeper Michaiel Parker into the midfield.

"Having Parker as a defensive mid gave us an extra go-to guy in the middle," said Chase.

The experiment worked wonderfully in Thursdays game. Parker scored the first goal a few minutes Maryville. In a marathon match, the into the first half and freshman Yacek Mucha, Parkers replacement, 15-5, 11-15, 15-11, 10-15. Nancy played solidly the entire game.

against Goucher, the plan may have Snodgrass added 10 kills and 5 backfired as the defense allowed two suspect goals. It will be interesting to find out how Coach Piranian plays the Parker and Mucha combination this week against last years ODAC champions Eastern Mennonite University.

Volleyball

The volleyball team went into last week with an impressive 5-1 overall record and a 2-0 ODAC record. Though by week's end their undefeated ODAC record and consecutive win streak were still intact, Thursday.

the overall record was somewhat tarnished due to participation in the tough Maryville Tournament over the weekend. Before the Generals traveled to Maryville, however, they first had a contest against conference foe Roanoke on Tuesday in

Led by sophomore offensive star Nancy Reinhart, who is currently tied for the ODAC lead in kills per game with 3.32, the Generals had a little trouble dispatching Roanoke, winning 15-3, 18-16, 15-7.

It was the 20th consecutive ODAC regular season victory for the program, a streak that dates back to the 1995 season. They then traveled to Maryville, to a tournament that featured two opponents ranked in the South region.

The Generals played the first of bounded from the 3-0 loss against those opponents, Savannah A&D, on Friday. Despite 11 kills from Nancy Reinhart, Savannah A&D, ranked #5 in the poll, defeated the Generals 15-7, 15-8, 15-6. On Saturday, the team played three matches, winning one and losing

The first match was against the Led by Nancy Reinhart (12 kills), Hilary Martin (11 kills) and Ali Beard (21 assists), the Generals played tough despite a poor start and ultimately fell in three straight games 1-15, 11-15, 11-15.

Next came tournament host Generals lost a heartbreaker 14-16, Reinhart once again led the offense However, in Saturdays outing with 16 kills, and junior Megan blocks in the losing cause. The Generals finally broke out of their losing streak in the last match of the tournament against ODAC foe Eastern Mennonite.

Behind Nancy Reinhart's 16 kills and senior Holly Thomsen's 13 kills, the Generals won 3-1. With that victory, the team finished 7th in the tournament and improved their record to 7-4. This week they play two conference games, at home on Tuesday against Randolph-Macon in the Warner Center at 6:30 p.m. and at Bridgewater College on

sports/news

MLB Playoffs

We asked our writers and editors to predict the baseball playoffs, here's what they came up with.

	NLCS/ ALCS	WORLD SERIES	CHAMPION
Brendan Harrington Columnist	Braves Marlins Orioles Yankees	Braves Orioles	
Matthew Craig Circ. Manager	Braves Marlins Orioles Yankees	Braves Orioles	
Jason Zacher Exec. Editor	Braves Marlins Mariners Yankees	Marlins Mariners	
John Stewart Sports Editor	Braves Marlins Mariners Yankees	Braves Yankees	Vanfices
Chris Pugsley Sports Writer	Braves Marlins Orioles Yankees	Marlins Orioles	

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longest nine inning game in the history of baseball. The game took over 4 hours and 20 minutes. That is just a ridiculous amount of time for a nine inning game. Pitchers should not be allowed to take five minutes between every pitch and throw over to first base six times. It makes the game BOR-

My biggest problem with baseball, like many others, has to do with the strike and the issues that go along with it. Baseball players are incredibly overpaid. There is no way a mediocre middle reliever should make over a million dollars a year. It's just not right. And free agency has turned the game into a joke. I can't even keep track of what team a player is on any

Players have no sense of loyalty to one city and will simply go wherever they can find the most cash. Even the defending champion New York Yankees have an entirely different-looking team than a year ago. And, I hate the recent trend of renting players for the pennant chase and playoffs and then getting rid of them at the end of the year. They play with a team for a month and a half and get a World Series ring and then move on to another team. How are you supposed to have a favorite team when half the team is different from year to year?

But for now, on with the playoffs,

and I must admit, I'll be a little excited if the Yankees and Orioles meet for the American League Championship. As for my predictions, it all comes down to pitching, pitching, and more pitching, especially relief pitching. The Yankees won the world series last year because their bullpen dominated in the post season. Mariano Rivera and John Wetteland were unstoppable. But this year is a different story. The Baltimore Orioles now have the best pitching of any of the playoff teams, and for this reason I believe they will win it all. However, they will face a stern challenge from the Atlanta Braves, who I think will prevail in the National League. But they play the games for a reason. We can only watch and wait.

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ond half, until Treese, proving once again just how valuable she is to W&L women's soccer this season, scored with just seven minutes left in the game. Taurassi scored off a pass to increase the margin to 4-2. Yet another freshman, Levine sealed the victory with her unassisted goal to put W&L up 5-2.

Next to face the wrath of the undefeated Generals will be Sweet Briar, when the 1997 team will try to repeat the 1996 team's 7-0 start. The game will be held on Thursday, Oct. 2 at 4:30pm on Liberty Hall Field.

ant, the Hillier Group, to discuss Committee, Panhellenic President **OHOUSING** sorority housing. At the May 1997 Suzanne Sharp announced that a

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process, the University would continue to work with the city of Lexington in developing a Master Plan that includes that new sorority houses, in accordance with applicable zoning regulations.

Over the past five years, the Campus Life Committee of the Board of Trustees sought and received regular reports on sorority housing from student leaders. Formal discussions about sorority housing began at the Campus Life Committee in May 1995. At the behest of the Campus Life

special Sorority Housing Committee would be established, and would report to the Board of Trustees at the October 1995 meeting.

At the Campus Life meeting in October 1995, the Sorority Housing Committee presented its report, favoring the construction of houses for each sorority with an occupancy of 20-25, meal facilities, a common social/meeting space and no large "party room." Discussions continued throughout the 1995-96 academic year.

In January 1997, representatives of the Panhellenic Council met with the University Master Plan Consult-

Campus Life Committee meeting, the Campus Life Committee passed a resolution which was supported by the Board of Trustees to "adopt as a very high priority the construction of sorority housing."

The final decision on sorority housing comes 12 years after the first female class at W&L and eight years after the establishment of the first three sororities - Kappa Kappa Gamma, Chi Omega and Kappa Alpha Theta. Pi Beta Phi was added in 1992 and Kappa Delta in 1997. After the January 1997 rush, 67 percent of W&L women were sorority members.

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Judi McKeage, who accompanied Duchossois, praised his "topdown, open-door" leadership.

The principles Duchossois shared with the students are the same ones that elevated him to the top of private industry. He assured students that their time at W&L would be an asset throughout their lives, although he noted that one thing has changed since he was a student.

"I've never seen so many beautiful women on this campus!" ns Soccer

This Week's Weather:

Tuesday

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High: 73° Low: 53°

Wednesday



High: 69° Low: 49°

High: 73° Low: 46°

Thursday

Friday



High: 74° Low: 47°

Saturday



High: 73° Low: 50°

Sunday

High: 75° Low: 53°

Courtesy of the National Weather Service

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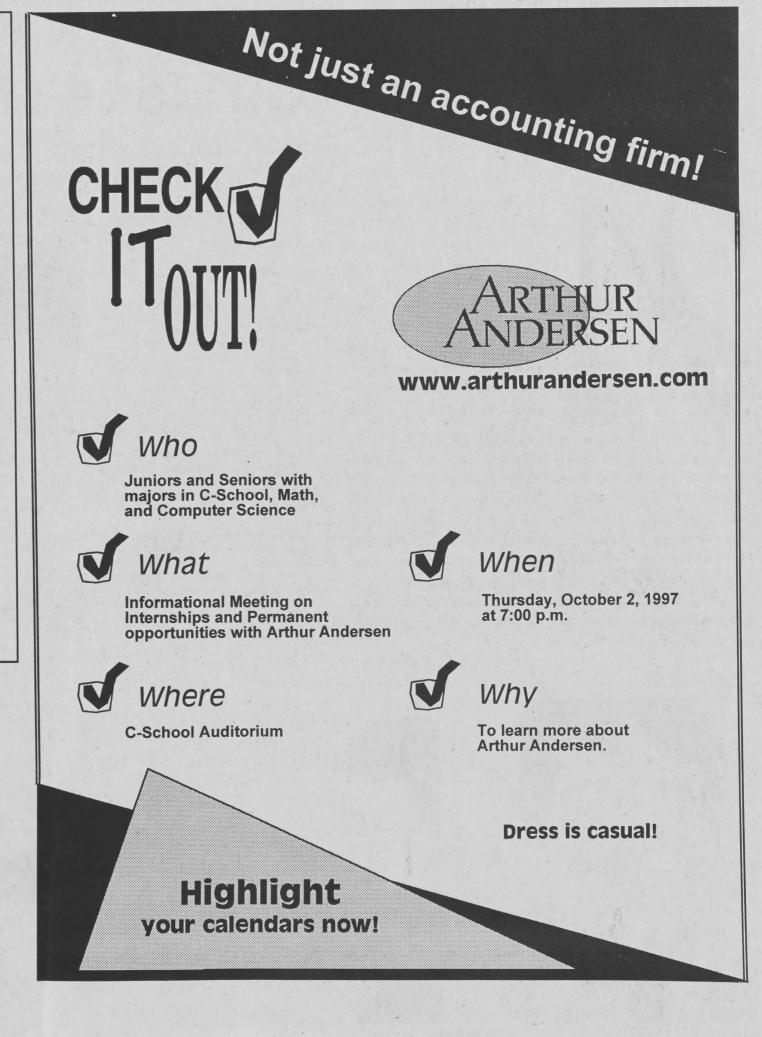
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SEPTEMBER 29, 1997



Miss Etiquette's tip of the Week:

Pay attention to your D-Hall habits. Bad ones can cost you your friends. and dropping your tray on the floor doesn't score you any points in the cool department.

Dear Ms. Etiquette,

I'm in a major predicament. There's this guy and we're friends at best. Okay, we're halfway between acquaintances and friends. Lately he's been calling me, like everyday. I'm not his girlfriend! How can I let him know that, and most importantly how can I prevent him from asking me to Home-

-Dodging Phone Calls in Graham Lees

Dear Dodger,

"All these boys keep calling me." Wah, wah. You need to get over yourself before NO ONE is calling you. Seriously though, the only way to let him know that you don't like him like that without hurting his feelings is to simply

FIND YOURSELF ANOTHER MAN AND MAKE SURE HE. KNOWS ABOUT IT. So what are you waiting for?! Get to work ... the Homecoming scramble has already begun.

Dear Ms. Etiquette,

Wednesday night, I hooked up with the dreamiest boy! As an added ing! So what's the problem? I woke up the next day and realized we were both totally trashed the night before.

So now what? Do I call and see if the date is still on? Do you think he'll even remember my name? -Scared to be Dateless

Dear Scared.

Put that phone down now! Of course you don't call him. I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but ... sit and wait for the phone to ring. Wait to see if he says anything.

If you realize that it's the Wednesday night of Homecoming week and you're still waiting by the phone, run, do not walk, to the nearest fraternity party and strut your stuff.

Being picky is no longer an option. Take whatever you can get. Beware, W&L females on the prowl the week of Homecoming are more vicious than Lee's troops them-

Since my box has been flooded with anxious questions from frightened freshmen, I decided to provide y'all with some tips on how to snag that ever-important Homecoming date.

1. GET OUT THERE! Being visible and seen out at parties often is a MUST! Having three tests and a paper due Monday is not an excuse to stay in, nor is bronchitis.

2. Always look your best, you never know who you're going to bonus he asked me to Homecom- run into while doing laundry or taking that quickie trip to Wal-mart.

3. This is not the weekend to get trashed. Throwing up on a fratty boy's feet will cost you an entire house of date options.

4. Always look like you're having a good time, even when you're

Today ♦ E.C. Budget meeting we beg for money ◆ Tuesd y ◆ AED Seminar: "Medical School Admissions" Aileen A. Edwards and Cynthia M. Heldberg Medical College of Virginia Room 214 New Science Building 5 p.m. • Volleyball vs. Randolph-Macon Woman's College Warner Center 6:30 p.m. ◆ Environmental Studies Program: Christopher Camuto in the Great Hall of the New

Science Building 7:30 p.m. ◆ Wednesday ◆ June 1998 degree applications due THIS MEANS YOU, SENIORS ♦ Men's Soccer vs. Eastern Mennonite at Liberty Hall Field at 4:30 p.m. ♦ Trident hits the newsstands ♦ Thursday ♦ Rosh Hashanah ♦ Women's Soccer vs. Sweet Briar at Liberty Hall Field at 4:30 p.m. ◆ Friday ◆ Doug Clark and the Hot Nuts at SigEp ♦ Start the mad search for a homecoming date ♦ Saturday ♦ ALCOHOLIDAY! Sponsored by the David Thompson Endowment Committee in the Lenfest Center at 7 p.m. DJ Party at Sigma Nu (this could be Friday) ◆ Huge Party at Big "E" ◆ Sunday ◆ Listen to Eric and John from 10 to 12 on WLUR ♦ Think about catching up on all that reading you've been ignoring for the first month of school •

t might have seemed like a weak weekend, but things were still bumping and grinding in Big Lex. If you couldn't or didn't make it out to Davidson Park and Red

Square this weekend, here's a quick review of some of the parties

and Robin's

The Southern Inn (37 S. Main St.) **Ratings (1-5):** Service, 3 Pepper Grinder, 0 Bathrooms, 4 Food Quality, 4

Presentation, 4

heard good things since this change. We arrived late on a Thursday night with Andrea and Steven. Since we were all hungry, we opted for an appetizer. The waitress informed us that there were no more fried mushrooms, so instead we chose blooming onion.

ФКΨ Band Party — Friday

for dancing - Right On.

And a perfect way to get sweaty

without feeling guilty about it in the morning. Bill, the Domino's

man who was selling 35 pizzas

out front all night, was also a nice

ee himself probably ate at The

Southern Inn. The restaurant has

been a Lexington landmark since the

dawn of time. Its has been under new

ownership since October and we had

Night. A ton of people, a great band

As usual, Doug opted for wine and requested a glass of the house White Zinfandel, which was Glen Ellen. Robin selected Slice, while Andrea chose a tall glass of iced tea and Steven drank water. The specials of the day tempted Andrea and Steven.

Prices: \$6-20 He chose crab cakes as his entree, with a salad, baked potato and green beans as the vegetable of the day. Andrea chose a large piece of red meat: the rib eye steak, medium rare, with a baked potato and vegetables. She also requested a bowl of the soup of the day, potato.

Andrea's previous visit had given her the inside scoop on the chicken, so Robin accepted Andrea's suggestion and ordered the Crispy Chicken and ordered a bowl of the black bean soup. Doug's selection, BBQ pork chops, also came with salad, a baked potato, and vegetables.

First, Andrea and Robin received their soups. Andrea declared hers delightful and well-seasoned. Robin's black bean soup was equally enjoyable, particularly with the sour cream, which provided a nice contrast to the soup.

The onions arrived next: two smaller onions, sliced into straws but still attached at the base, breaded and fried, which came with ranch dressing for dipping. The appetizer was freshly prepared and quite tasty; Andrea and Robin both noted that it was less greasy and more flavorful than similar onions they

The salads were pleasantly arranged platters of a variety of green garden delights, with small pieces of other colorful vegetables for contrast. All of the dressings (Italian and honey mustard) were tasty, and the salads quickly disappeared, making room for the entrees.

Andrea's steak arrived dramitically on a sizzling platter cooked to perfection, exactly medium rare and quite tender. Steven enjoyed his crab cakes, although he noticed some shells left from the preparation.

Doug's pork chops were a great success, covered in a tangy barbeque sauce, and Robin's chicken lived up to its reputation: well-seasoned, lightly breaded, tender and scrumptious. Everyone enjoyed the baked potatoes, which had been cooked with something unidentifiable to give them an unusual taste.

Doug and Andrea called dibs on the last two pieces of chocolate cake, Steven selected pecan pie, while Robin chose lemon meringue. The pecan and lemon meringue pies were excellent. Doug and Andrea found their cake somewhat dry, such that Doug had to wash down each bite with coffee.

We rolled out onto Main Street, well satisfied with our meal. The Southern Inn offers variety and quality, in plentiful portions. Sandwiches are available during the week, while the entree menu takes over and expands on weekends.

For those who need somewhere different to spend a nice night out with friends, The Southern Inn is a good place to try.

touch. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ Band Party — Saturday Night. Three words: Deep Banana Blackout. No this isn't my sick sexual symbolism again, just the name of a kicking band who had a lead singer with super-powerful

There was also enough room on the dance floor to shake your bootie without shaking it in someone else's space (unless that was your plan, of

course). AXA Tropical Party

- Saturday Night. Lambda Chi went all out once again for this annual party. Mad props go out to the boys for rigging up the huge

Waterfall that fell from the

roof into a pool below. (Although it looked suspiciously like Sigma Nu's annual Spring Term Shipwrecked party) The tiki torches and palm fronds also added to the ambiance.

The dance floor was sparse at times but the bar was always full -

imagine that. Band party

Saturday Night Yeeha!! Kappa Sig's "Redneck Ball Mixer with Theta opened up around 11 p.m., at which time everyone was offered a chance to see what it'd be like to live like

the townies.

Hay covered the floor, chicken wire surrounded the bar and people traipsed around in more camouflage and bright orange articles of clothing than at a hunting gear exposition.

The band, Sneaky Pete,

set the mood for some down home country fun and when I overheard someone say, "Naw I ain't got no book learnin'" way too authentically, I realized how lucky I was that this was just another awesome party

On the earth, there stands a mountain.

And on this mountain, there stands a rock.

And on this rock, there stands a table, made of oak.

And on this oaken table, there stands a bust of Jean-Jacques Rousseau. And on this stone representation of Rousseau's head, there stands a common house fly.

And on this common house fly, there is a speck of dust.

And on ... to infinitude. But then the house fly furiously beats its tiny wings and takes flight, completely obliterating the infinite set. The fly must carry infinity on its back, and infinity, being infinitely heavy, tends to weigh down the fly. Seeing another

Franz Kafka, the Tom Monaco land there and ing upon Kafka's roach.

bust, this time of fly decides to rest. Also resthead is a cock-

The cockroach also shoulders a heavy burden: self doubt. For you see, the cockroach was shown that his existence had been a hindrance to others, whom he believed he was helping. This left him to ponder the question, "has my entire life been dedicated to achieving the opposite of my desires?'

what?

The fly found this dejected cockroach moping about Kafka's frontal cranial region and said to him:

"You look as though something terrible has forsaken you, my friend. What is it?"

The cockroach explained the source of his gloom, and to this the fly

"My dear fellow, it seems as though you have been misguided by your reason. All actions are mere grains of sand in an endless desert, and, therefore, have no meaningful consequences. I, for example, am part of an infinite set, in that, all things which I am part of can be encompassed by the word "universe," which, as we have learned, appears to be constantly expanding. While all which is part of me can be categorized by the word "atom," which as we continue to discover more subatomic particles, seem to be constantly expanding, at least in the context of our

So, henceforth, all the actions that we take are so minuscule in the entire scheme of life, that they hold no lasting or meaningful consequence. There is no sense, then, in dwelling on things which, in essence, mean virtually nothing; instead, one should focus one's attention on the present and near future, because these are the periods of time which hold the most meaning for us. We cannot question our intentions because all of our intentions are good, save the intent for inactivity. So, my friend, what you are presently doing is pointless and must be stopped."

The cockroach did not respond to, oreven understand, what had been said to it. The fly's words had erased all of the reasons for the cockroach's gloom from its memory.

Now, seeing that he had nothing to worry about, the cockroach walked off Kafka's bust to go live a normal cockroach life.

As they say: Ignorance is bliss.

'G.I. Jane': Moore of the same

** of 4 stars — The pitch: "It'll be like 'Alien 3' meets 'In the Army Now'wait, neither of those were hits."

ALEX CHRISTENSEN

PHI MOVIE CRITIC

Every time I talk to someone about "G.I. Jane," it seems, they all find a way to get around to telling me, "It shouldn't really be called 'G.I. Jane,' you know. G.I.'s are in the Army, and the movie is about the Navy. They just

G.I. Jane

used this name because it sounded better." Who cares?! It does sound better. And besides that, it's symbolic. "G.I. Joe" is symbolic of all men in uniform, so when a woman attempts to take on a role reserved for men, the term "G.I. Jane" has a unique resonance. Although, of course, the classic contrast isn't Joe vs. Jane, but John and Jane, as in John and Jane Doe, or Jack and Jill, or Joseph and Mary. But then, "G.I. Mary" is another movie altogether. Nathan Lane, call

As luck would have it, the title is the best thing about the movie. Yes, you get to see her naked. Whew, we got that out of the way. Only from behind, though, in the shower, in a decidedly unsexy moment. And she's worked out so much that she looks like a man, but she isn't, so God knows who this buttshot was designed to appeal to. Truckers and Eastern European shotputters,

Some executive probably found out that's a hot demographic, so he gathered up all the hacks he could—Ridley Scott (director of "Blade Runner" and "White Squall"), writer David Twohy ("Terminal Velocity," "Waterworld") and the ever-resourceful Demi Moore and said, "Please take my fifty million dollars here, go work this chick out until she looks less like a young mother and more like a missile silo, then beat the hell out of her while she swears like a sailor and sort of grits her teeth for two hours, and put it all on film and we'll make a mint. What's that? Okay, Ridley, you can put your damn opera music on the soundtrack."

And so, they did. Might as well rent "Striptease." It's mildly entertaining, plus more naked.

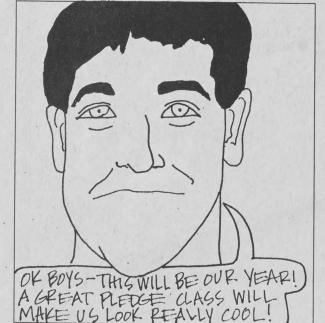
Truth is, I've never been a fan of the brutalize-a-woman film, and in anticipation of this review, I've been wondering whether that's sexist. I didn't have a problem when, say, Marvin got his head blown off in "Pulp Fiction." There are a lot of reasons why that's different, of course. I think "G.I. Jane" is the most recent example of not just making an action film with a female star, but making a film where a woman is treated brutally just for the fun of it. "The Long Kiss Goodnight," one of the worst films of all time, is another example. The female character actually luxuriates in her sick, slow torture in a way that no male has ever done on film, unless there was something seriously wrong with him. And then these women are practically lionized, if not canonized. "Alex, Alex," someone will say. "What's your real problem? Can't

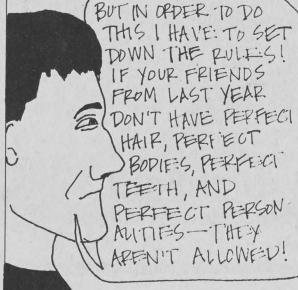
women meet challenges, too? Do they have to all be nice, retiring homemakers? Men have been in these kinds of movies for a long time, and they're great." That last part is the flaw, though. Not only have men not been in these kinds of movies, but if they had, they would have been just as perverse and disgusting. Jodie Foster's character was raped in "The Accused." In Jack Hill's "Foxy Brown," Pam Grier's character was tied naked to a bed and fondled, and had to slaughter a bunch of rednecks to escape. But they didn't sit back later and say, "Oh wow, I'm so glad I went through that. It was not only a learning experience, but I think I actually nipped out during it." There's a point to the violence There's a plot. There's a dramatic continuity.

"G.I. Jane" doesn't give us any of that. There's some basic tension-building; Ridley Scott is a professional director, though for some reason he shoots every scene to look like either dawn or sunset. There are even good moments. Demi Moore's Lt. Jordan O'Neil confronts Anne Bancroft's weaselly Senator Lillian DeHaven in a particularly triumphant one. And Viggo Mortensen, it seems, can make almost any role interesting. (He actually gave "Daylight" a little bit of spark and kineticism, however brief.) And, of course, Demi Moore worked out a lot. Woo hoo.

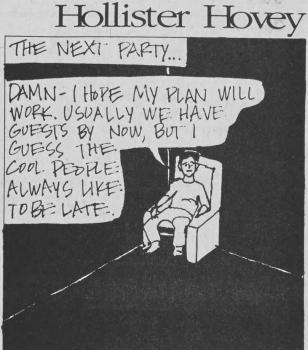
I'd like to see an action movie where the star bragged about sitting around eating big baked potatoes with sour cream and bagels with cream cheese for two months, laughing hysterically while fast-forwarding through stufflike "Aliens." and "Mission: Impossible" between takes. Instead we get Demi again, naked again, not acting again. At least her stripping had style. Here she just gets punched in the face and dragged through the mud. But she likes it. She loves it.

Colonnade Club









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Letters to The Ring-tum Phi

The Honor System creates leaders

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Joshua Heslinga's letter to the Phi in which he seemed saddened that others outside our community do not care about the Honor System. I agree that it is regretful, because there was a time, long before "big business" came to Big Lex, when there was a more sympathetic feeling towards the Honor System from the mom and pop shops beyond the Colonnade. However, all too often, we get caught up in the "per-

sonal benefits" of the 66 Honor System and lose the point of what General Lee wanted.

Sure, it is great to be able to leave your bikes and per-

sonal belongings unsecured. Sure, it is great to take unproctored exams and have professors take you at your word. Most assuredly, honor trials and the single sanction are an important part of that system. But, if we were making Venn diagrams, that would be the small circle stuff.

Big circle: General Lee wanted his students to "behave like gentlemen." In modern, PC, genderneutral language, that boils down to character and integrity. Over at VMI they would call it discipline, "doing the right thing in the absence of orders" and, as you have discovered, oftimes in the absence of others. In a day long gone, in the To the Editor: South, we called it "honor". There are a lot of folks these days who call that archaic, impractical behavior, but I think it is the one thing that separates W&L from every other school. By reinforcing that character trait, we make leaders.

When you leave Big Lex, you will have a lot of memories of tailgate and fraternity parties, swimming in Goshen, and tales about "the one lost love who got away." You will have a lot of book knowledge that will place you in good standing with your peers from other schools.

And, as you get even older, many of those experiences will fall into the class of "childhood memories." In this fast-paced world you will be tempted to throw "honor" in that category of things that had significance only at one moment in time. I remember well my days in Army Special Ops where the unofficial motto was, "If you ain't cheating, you ain't trying."

The fact is that few understand that the value in honor comes from keep-

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ingit. That simple act will test you in ways you cannot begin to imagine, but you will find strength under fire. When others are burdened with cynicism, you will

?? find hope. And, when you have proved your mettle through many character building experiences, you will be a valued person in this society, because you will be one of a very few persons whom others can trust. The thieves beyond the Colonnade can steal a lot of things, but only you can give away your honor.

We need more people we can trust, so don't despair. You have a whole world counting on you.

Mike Webb '88, '00L

Realize the boundaries of the Honor System

Joshua Heslinga's letter to the editor in the Sept. 22 issue of the Phi underscores a common pitfall, indeed, one might even say, a shortcoming of the W&L Honor System. It is a shortcoming which, to my knowledge, has never been broached in a public forum, possibly due to the wild and indiscriminate praise which in the same breath necessarily accompanies any mention of our Honor System.

Please note that I do not intend to defile or belittle our honor system as some archaic beast born of outmoded idealism. I have the highest regard for our Honor System, when it is exercised and administered in a thoughtful and realistic way, though I am not sure that this is the case. I merely wish to point out, rather, that a system intended to instill virtue and honor in the individual within a closed system through the concept of a mutual trust also has the potential to create a dangerous mindset in that same individual.

Heslinga's singular reaction to being duped as an unwise consumer illustrates the nature of this mind set, fortunately in a relatively harmless way. By complaining about the mistrust and alleged impropriety of several local vendors, Heslinga reveals his own misconception of the realistic boundaries of our Honor System's 66 iurisdiction.

It is not the responsibility of Lexington vendors to adhere to a system which applies only to students. Further, it is not a stipulation of the Student Handbook that townspeople must respect the W&L Honor System, or that they should hold students to the standard of excellence which is encapsulated within.

Familiarity with and respect of the implicit honor of a W&L student depends on the prerogative of each individual townsperson. Any other point of view betrays the 'dangerous mindset' of which I speak.

Unfortunately, the recent rash of thefts and Heslinga's confession serve as all too vivid reminders that the honor system extends only as far as the responsibility of a single student and his interaction with his peers and the faculty. This is important for students to take note of, for misconceptions about the boundaries of the Honor System have dangerous implications for one's interactions in the

There exists a negative quality implicit within any honor system, per-

haps within and rigid code of ethics, which one might characterize as being subversively Pavlovian. By this, I mean that the Honor System promotes conditioned behavior, a thoughtless pattern of actions which follow an idealized standard, a standard whose implications are perhaps not fully grasped by the followers.

The W&L Honor System is no exception to the rule. Freshman students in general arrive at this university with only a shallow understanding of the application of the Honor System within the bounds of the campus and its application as a code of ethics later in life. The two should not be confused.

I think it safe to say that W&L, America and the real world are disparate entities which vary greatly in terms of lifestyle, ideology and ethics. It is therefore imperative that students realize that the Honor System proper can only be applied on campus.

Now, the typical response of the

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upper-class student reading this piece will be to scoff to himself, "I'm not that naive." However, even if on a conscious level one is aware of the obvious boundaries of an honor system, the pattern of behavior which proceeds from obeisance produces a subconscious sense of moral guidance.

And here in the subconscious is where the real danger lies. A sense of trust and the expectation of honorable behavior become subliminal guidelines for the passive W&L mind when it is thrust into the real world. This creates a certain vulnerability and the potential for more serious problems than those related by Heslinga in his disenchanted missive. Years of living as a coddled pup do not adequately prepare a young pup for the wild.

Perhaps I am making a boil out of a pimple, but I truly believe that these are some of the most formative years of our lives. What we learn now will affect our behavior, our actions, our lives. We must therefore choose our own code of ethics and keep our eyes wide open. Of course, we must also continue to respect the W&L Honor System and the heralded, lofty tradition it represents.

Patrick Williamson '98

Open Letter to the **Cadaver Society**

Dear Editor,

This letter is addressed to the Cadaver Society:

Dear Members,

I know your organization is full of school spirit for W&L, so I'd like to bring to your attention a matter that directly affects W&L and our society. The matter is the taping of paper copies of the symbol of your organization all over the campus. W&L's campus is known for its beauty and the nighttime littering of the campus is unacceptable to me and to others who appreciate this beauty. Additionally, your organization does nothing to facilitate the clean up of your litter.

I would also call your attention to the fact that we should all be more conscious of conserving the trees and not wasting paper. And now a suggestion to solve the problem: Since W&L has two wonderful methods of communication, why not make use of them to broadcast your enthusiasm for the school? The PhoneMail and E-mail he died. Please, ease the pain of systems will contact everyone on cam- those who remember the delight

your actions and work to change them. death as an advertisement ploy.

Maryanne Simurda Biology Department

Phi needs to pull its online advertisement

I implore you to question your integrity: your use of the article concerning my friend Jack Bowden's death to advertise the presence of The Ring-tum Phi on the Internet is deplorable. The article itself was so poorly written that I considered protesting at that time. I did not because I felt that your newspaper would have a predominately new staff this year, as your problems of last year stemmed primarily from apathy and incompetence. I was dissapointed by The Ring-tum Phi, not for the first

At your hands, the saddest chapter in my life endures. Every issue of The Ring-tum Phi, save only your most recent edition, heralds your own virtues with Hollister Hovey's photo of the very private notes and flowers left outside Gilliam. Those were not meant to be exploited by your paper to add a touch of "sentiment" or whatever you thought you were doing by including the photo. The items left below Jack's window were expressions of personal grief.

The actual article was no improvement; it smacked of the insensitivity and sensationalism found so frequently in your paper. If your authors cannot deem what is appropriate, then your editor should, although the spelling errors and grammatical mistakes makes me wonder if you have an

I miss Jack as acutely as the day Jack brought to this campus and I hope you will think seriously about stop using the issue addressing his

On a final note, if the staff of Thank you, The Ring-tum Phi does not have the time or energy to do their jobs well, I suggest that they abandon their enterprise entirely.

Ashley Penkava '00

letters to the editor

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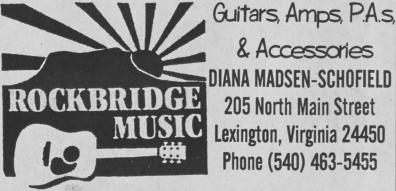
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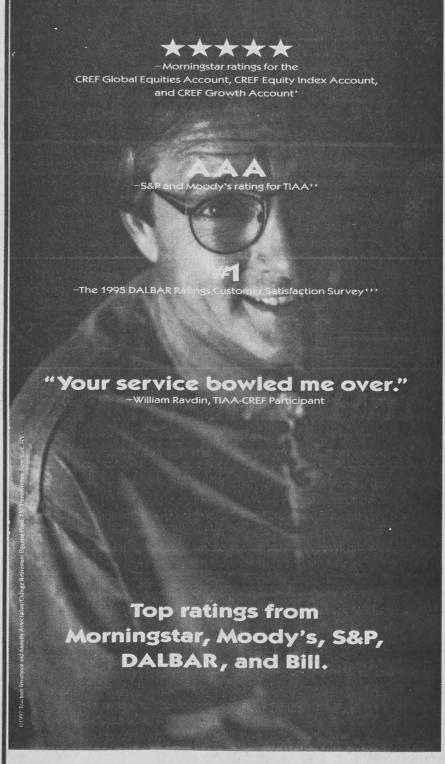
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Are women finally being accepted?

It's hard to call Washington and Lee home, when you don't have a house. Since 1989, women have been second-class housing citizens.

This week, the university selected a location for sorority houses. It is now up to the Board of Trustees to approve the physical plan of sorority housing. This approval will be a positive step for a campus which sometimes seems as if it is still fighting the coeducation transition.

The Phi applauds those who have worked so diligently on the housing issue and call upon the Board of Trustees to finalize the measure in their November meeting.

Despite its detractors, the success of the sorority housing in the old Delta Tau Delta house is proof that sorority housing can be a success on this campus. The students living there love it thus far, and the prospects for the future are bright.

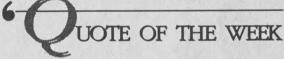
The suites provided for the sororities in Gaines Hall have never fully met the needs of the women who join sororities — which amounts to two-thirds of the women on campus. Having places which can accommodate 80 plus people will help the sororities with their social functions.

Although these houses will not have a "party room" or basement, they will provide meal facilities and a common social/ meeting space.

These women will finally have a place for their formals, their chapter meetings and their rush.

Though sorority dues will increase with the housing, the extra cost will be outweighed by the long-term positive effects of having a place each sorority can call its

This decision, 12 years after the first female class arrived at W&L and eight years after the establishment of the first three sororities, gives women a permanent place on this campus, a place to call home.



I'm considering chaining myself to the bridge in protest.

> — Junior Jason Hahn on the closing of Salernos

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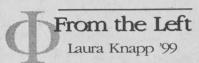
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Solution for drinking: drop the age to 18

As well-intentioned as the new policy of BYOB is, its effectiveness is definitely lacking. Can anyone say that they, as result of this new policy, have decreased their intake or, even more importantly, their desire for such "beverages"?



The situation that has resulted is not the fault of a misguided administration but just signs of a larger problem - a problem that cannot and will not be fixed by any one college administration. It is a problem which lies in the stigma attached to underage drinking and the stigma of the 21-year-old drinking age.

This problem is not exclusive to

Washington 66 and Lee by any means. It's a fact: College and drinking are and will alwaysbe inevitably associated with each other regardless of the cir-

cumstances or rules.

So what's the point of conceiving and enforcing a policy that is already doomed to fail? Even though it may be hopeless and at times pointless, it is the responsibility of the university to adhere and enforce the laws set by the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is true as well that alcohol abuse at W&L is a real problem. To ignore it with the hopes that it would go away is simply unacceptable and not even an option. The loss of any present or former student as a result of alcohol abuse is not only a horrible tragedy but a reflection upon ourselves and our institution.

Herin lies the dilemma on which this entire debate rests: college administrations can not stop alco-

hol abuse but they cannot ignore it, either. What results is an often-futile and hodgepodge attempt to bring a degree of control to something that is fundamentally uncontrollable.

So what can be done? A simple and sensible answer is simply to repeal the 21-year-old drinking age. Underage drinking on college campuses would no longer be an issue because no one would be "underage." Honestly, if the government of the United States entrusts 18-year-olds with the right and privileges to vote and fight in wars then what is the logic in not extending that same type of responsibility to

If we are not "old" enough to handle our alcohol, how can we be "old" enough to make decisions and take actions that will have an impact - no matter how large or small - on the endurance of our nation? Govern-

> ment-enforced prohibition did not work for the nation in the 1920s and it is still not effective for those below the 21-year-old threshold today. For once, I think deregulation offers the best solu-

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But the implications that follow lowering the drinking age are extremely important to consider. With a relaxation of the drinking law, there must be concurrent social programs initiated for not only college students but for much younger children as well. The more and earlier children are informed of problems that are associated with alcohol use and abuse the better the chance of reaching them before the onset of teenage rebellion. Responsibility and moderation must be stressed and a zero tolerance for drunken driving must be enforced.

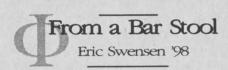
The notion of "alcohol as a rite of passage" must be destroyed. Only through these changes in the macrosystem can we effect any type of change in our own microcosm.



Parking: the age-old student complaint

When lacking ideas for a column, columnists at W&L have a few pet topics they can always fall back on. Topics such as the Honor System, student autonomy, hazing and how ugly the library is. My fallback topic for the week is parking, or rather, the

This is not a new issue at W&L. Students probably



complained about the parking when they rode horses, not brand-new sport-utility vehicles, to school. While just about everyone on campus agrees about the need for more parking spaces anywhere near campus, there is only one slight problem: there is no land available within the city of Lexington. Well, duh. Everyone knows that. Assuming that we eliminate such radical ideas as paving over the front lawn, no new parking will be built at W&L anytime soon. So, to make the best use of what we have, here are a few simple suggestions:

☐ 1. Learn how to park!

The Corral resembles a high school geometry class most mornings, as rushed or merely lazy students pull in at 45 degree angles instead of parking perpendicular to the curb (a 90 degree angle for those who struggled with high school geometry). At least 10 to 15 spaces in the Corral go unused every day because students pull in at odd angles. And, to help out those who flunked geometry...

2. Line the parking spaces in the Corral.

Shelling out cash for white paint to create actual parking spaces might make it possible for students to find the spaces after the sun rises.

3. End the enforcement of the 2-hour parking. limits on city streets for students with W&L parking

Irealize I am probably preaching to the choir with this suggestion. This isn't based merely on blind selfinterest (although moving my car at lunch every day is annoying.) The two-hour limit is fine for people who come to town to shop at the wide variety of shops MetroLex has to offer. However, most students who come into town spend much more than two hours on the hill. If the school was your job (as it often seems to be), how efficient would it be to dash out of work every two hours to move your car?

Besides, think about all the things we add to the city of Lexington in terms of liveliness, fun and, most importantly, money. This city would be dead without us, I've been here in July, and I almost got knocked over by a giant tumbleweed. Anyway, who would the police arrest for being drunk in public or cite for noise violations if we weren't here? Students pump plenty of cash into this city as it is. Don't harass us with \$10 parking tickets.

Unfortunately, these are all the practical ideas I have. Since I still have some space to fill, here are a few pipe-dreams.

☐ 1. Gut the library and turn it into a multi-deck

2. A golf cart for every student. This way, even if you do get stuck parking two miles from campus, you're spared the walk.

3. Take away the parking privleges of the faculty, administration and staff for a month. After a month of running out of class to move their cars every two hours and a month of looking at the gleam in Baner's eyes as he tows their cars, they'll come up with a solution. Trust me.

Classes and activities – the great college balancing act

never seem to have enough time. You've prob ably had the same experience: a calendar full of due dates, a few hefty syllabi and the sixteen tests your professors scheduled for Wednesday all claim first right to your attention.



Final View

David Balsley '99

Opinion & Editorial Editor

You may feel that, between your classes, your extracurricular work and your Greek organization, you don't have enough time to get all your work done. You may be right.

I have felt that way recently. It was solely out of consideration of time that I resigned this week as Opinion & Editorial Editor of The Ring-tum Phi. Although I love the job, I don't have time for it. Working for the Phi can be a tough job to enjoy. There are probably better places to spend your nights.

It's frustrating to print out a page of the paper, only to find that you misspelled "anthropomorphism" in one of your headlines. Many people love to put you down for working there, Washington and Lee academic faculty included. The work is hard, but it's also rewarding. It's thrilling to put a lot of time into your

pursuits and have something to show for it.

There is an aspect of rebellion in working for the Phi, despite its detractors. It's cool to be one of the few people who knows what "Ring-tum Phi" really means. (Actually, the editorial staff doesn't know what it means either, but we know where it comes from, and we're determined to stick to it, by stickeri bum!) The hard work is counterbalanced by the camaraderie of the Phi editorial staff. The people with whom I worked always made time spent in the Phi office entertaining. "Barbie Girl" by Aqua and a dirty sense of humor make layout go by more quickly.

There are Sunday nights when the editors get to watch the street cleaners run up and down Washington Street, and then there are the Monday mornings when I get to go to a nine-o'clock class with only three hours of sleep.

I consider the members of the editorial staff to be my friends; it will be hard to not see them on a regular basis. I have been offered the opportunity to return to the Phi staff. It is an enticing offer, but I don't know if I will be able to accept it.

In the meantime, fans of my "brilliant" editorial work will have to put their lives on hold. You may be able to content yourselves with the fourth season of "ER." I understand that the remaining episodes will not be live, (ie. Mr. Clooney will not mess up any more lines). Of course, watching TV won't help you find more time. It's a vicious tetrahedron.

The Ring-tum Phi

Welcomes guest columns!

If you are angry about something and would like to get a public forum for your ideas, turn in a guest column.

There are three ways to get your column to us. You can send it via email to phi@wlu.edu, drop it off in our mailbox in the University Center or put it in our "drop box" in the L: drive on Jefferson.

TALKback: What has been your impression of BYOB so far?



"There's no trouble getting beer at fraternity houses

-Floyd Stimpson '00



"Beer flows freely for females."

-Sarah Heatherington '00



"BYOB = M.I.P."

-J.C. Waldron and Rich Balzer '00



"Im against it, but it's working out. I worry that people would start getting excluded though."

-Jessica Helm '00