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Six freshman candidates campaign in run-off elections

By Abb Jones
Staff Reporter

Although most of the candidates' posters have come down and the flyers have been thrown away, six of the original 34 freshmen running for office at Washington and Lee University have continued to campaign for today's run-off election.

Willard L. Dumas III and Walter Scott narrowly edged out the other 13 candidates for the run-off for Freshman Executive Committee

Representative. Dumas received 51 votes, just under 15 percent of the 352 votes cast, while Scott received 43 votes, just under 12 percent.

Dumas, a native of New Orleans, La., and pledge at Sigma Chi fraternity, says he wants to do what he can for the school.

"I believe in the honor system here, and I really like W&L and I'd like to do what I can for the school," he said.

Scott, a native of Memphis, Tenn., says his past experience with his high school honor council has prepared

him for this job.

"I have served for five years on my high school honor council, and I enjoyed the responsibility and dedication that the job required."

Presidential candidates Tom Spurgeon and Tom Hatcher received a commanding majority of the votes in their race, splitting 54 percent of the vote. Spurgeon received 106 votes to Hatcher's 85.

Spurgeon, a native of Muncie, Ind., was the only candidate of the six who made the run-off that said the freshman class meeting helped him a

great deal. The forum, which was held in Lee Chapel last Thursday for freshmen to meet the candidates, allowed for each of the candidates to give a one-minute speech.

"I felt that I could do a good job and I felt our class deserves someone who could do a good job," said the Phi Gamma Delta pledge.

Hatcher, a native of Bowling Green, Ky., and pledge at Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, said that all members of the freshman class are leaders and therefore they deserve to be well represented.

"I'm running on representation. I feel like the freshman class has exhibited leadership ability or they wouldn't be here," he said.

The race for Freshman Vice President proved to be a close one although Columbia, S.C. native Mason Pope and Shreveport, La. native Stephen White received just over 35 percent of the votes cast. Pope received 68 to White's 51.

June-Ho Lee, Vice Chairman of the W&L Voting Regulations Board, which sponsors and supervises school elections, was extremely

pleased with the high voter turnout among the freshmen, which as figured at just under 82 percent.

"Turnout was good," said Lee. "I overheard some complaints that some freshmen didn't know who they were voting for. I believe it's due to the poor turnout at the freshman class meeting. In the future, if freshmen take advantage of W&L sponsored functions, such as the freshman class meeting, they'll be more informed about elections and the candidates."

W&L student receives an antigen overdose

By Sean Campbell
Staff Reporter

A W&L student accidentally received an overdose of his allergy antigen medicine after both he and the University Health Center nurse misread the instructions provided by the student's allergist.

Scott Cornell, a sophomore member of Sigma Nu social fraternity, began receiving medication for allergies in June of this year. When school started, he had the injection administered by the University infirmary.

The mistake was made on Sept. 29 when Cornell was to begin receiving his maintenance level injections.

"The treatment," Cornell explained, "helps the body to gradually build up a resistance to the allergies."

He was being treated for allergies to fall pollen, spring pollen and environmental mold.

Cornell said, "The injections start highly diluted and gradually become more concentrated until the body can tolerate a level higher than in the actual environment. After reaching that level the injections are continued for a maintenance period which varies with each individual."

The correct maintenance level dosage for each of the three solutions was .05 c.c. The actual amount injected for each solution was .5 c.c.,

ten times the designated prescription.

Cornell said, "The shot looked too big, it was a little bit my fault."

The head nurse, Josephine H. McCown, R.N., and Cornell examined the instructions from Dr. Dan S. Sanders, III Cornell's hometown allergy physician.

"After the shot, my arm felt sore and was swollen, but there were no other immediate side reactions. I took a nap after dinner and when a fraternity brother woke me, I knew something was wrong. I felt dizzy and my face, throat and hands were swollen."

Cornell was driven to the infirmary and the nurse on duty gave him two injections of adrenaline to counter the reaction. He also was kept overnight for observation.

University Physician, Dr. Robert M. Pickral said, "The bottom line is if another doctor gives medicine to a patient then that patient is responsible for its administration. If that doctor sends the medicine to another doctor to administer then the second doctor becomes responsible."

He said, "The infirmary is administering these allergy shots as a financial convenience to the students. These students need to be aware of the individual dosages."

Cornell said, "It was stupid that I didn't say anything, I just assumed she knew what she was doing."



By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi

Just hangin' out

W&L Junior Pietro 'Pete' Petino crosses Woods Creek one-plank rope bridge. The ROTC Rangers were practicing for the ROTC Challenge competition this weekend at Fort Meade, Md.

Mock Democratic Convention '88 is expected to cost

\$136,000

By Peter Boatner
News Editor

The 1988 Mock Convention, W&L's traditional attempt to predict the presidential candidate for the party out of power, will cost an estimated \$136,000, according to MC treasurer J.J. Buquet.

That number represents the total estimated expenditures of the fifteen sub-committees of the Convention's Steering Committee, which is coordinating next March's big political event.

Though much of that has already been supplied, more than \$76,000 will have to be solicited from private donations.

The biggest cost for the convention will be the estimated \$25,414 required by the state delegations to conduct their research and to represent themselves at the convention.

All in all, more than 1300 delegates will take part in the extensively planned exercise, in addition to numerous

visitors, returning alumni and reporters from across the country.

Responsible for overseeing the budget is Buquet, a senior from Houma, La.

"We were very conservative in estimating revenue, and very liberal in estimating expense," Buquet said of the process.

"After combining the subcommittee budgets, we sat down and rehashed them compared to 1984," he said. "We eliminated the overlaps, and added a little or took away a little."

Total expenses in 1984 came to \$118,541, Buquet said. The 1984 convention even left about \$2,000 to get this year's event underway.

The success of the convention depends on the research done by the state delegations. They are required to contact the Democratic leadership in their state, to poll voters and to keep up on the local issues of concern.

The costs incurred here include hefty phone bills for polling, newspaper subscriptions, and printing

for letters and solicitations.

A not insignificant duty of each delegation is to construct a float for the big parade. This parade, a major event in the city of Lexington, kicks off the convention weekend and is a source of intense rivalry between the states for prizes.

The Parade Committee was allocated \$9,580 to make sure all goes well on Friday afternoon. This money will go to erecting stands, providing security, and hiring extra entertainment.

The second biggest expense of the convention will be the attracting of prominent speakers to the event. Over \$19,000 will be spent attracting preliminary and keynote speakers. The Speakers Committee has already brought candidate Jesse Jackson to campus last spring, and has attracted such luminaries as Jimmy Carter, Richard Nixon, and Harry Truman to past conventions.

Another major expense, and one considered vital by most of the participants, is the production of Mock Convention memorabilia such as

hats, T-shirts and buttons.

No convention would be complete without such enticements and though the cost will be regained when the items are sold at the convention, the amount budgeted for their production is \$15,000.

The Facilities Committee will

Convention attracts media attention

By Jimmy Hodge
Staff Reporter

Its 13 accurate predictions in 18 attempts since 1908 have earned the Washington and Lee University Mock Democratic Convention a highly respected and well-known reputation among the press.

Every four years the students of Washington and Lee University hold the Mock Convention to predict the presidential and vice-presidential nominees of the party out of the White House.

The W&L Mock Convention is so

receive over \$14,000 to provide and maintain the equipment at the convention itself. It will provide for the stands, the decorations, the furniture and equipment rentals including walkie-talkies, and of course for clean-up.

Other major costs include printing of platforms, press releases, newslet-

ters and the official journal for the convention.

Computer equipment and expertise will be hired to ensure accurate polling and information processing both before and during the convention.

Currently, the Mock Convention is on course and in the black, and will remain so with continued donations.

well known that it receives national and state press coverage. The Washington Post said the Convention has, "...reputation as one of the most accurate Mock Conventions in the country." Newsweek claimed it is, "The most realistic..." And the Richmond News Leader said it is, "well publicized and nationally respected."

Tim Bolling, media director for the

Mock Convention, said the Convention in 1984 received coverage on CNN, NBC, the Associated Press, United Press International, The New York Times, USA Today, U.S. News and World Report and other newspapers and networks. Bolling said he expects the same amount of press coverage for the 1988 Convention, but is focusing on getting more national coverage. Bolling plans to attract more media coverage by scheduling a number of prestigious speakers. Some speakers who have made appearances at past Conventions are Harry Truman, Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter. Bolling also said the 1988 Mock Convention wants to get a pictorial in Life Magazine.

Food Co-op offers more than natural foods

By Marie Dunne
Co-editor

The Rockbridge Food Co-op has moved its old store on Randolph Street to a larger location between Sweet Things and Rockbridge Video on Washington Street.

Manager Mirabai McLeod says the larger store, which opens Nov. 9, will allow the co-op to offer more types of items to its customers, including housewares, clothing and even organic cosmetics.

The co-op is a non-profit group run by its members. Members used to pay an annual due, and in return got a discount on anything they buy. In order to raise the money needed to move to the larger store, the members decided to charge a one-time fee of \$96 dollars per adult for a lifetime membership in the co-op. The fee, which still entitles members to a discount, is refundable if a member should move out of the area.

Members can also work at the co-op to get an even larger discount.

McLeod said all of the labor involved in building shelves and the checkout stand came from its members, with the co-op providing the materials.

McLeod said using members as employees works well.

"It really bothers me where I used to work that there was one person who never did any work, but made all the money. We don't have that here," she said.

The co-op used the \$5,000 it raised from its members to buy new commercial refrigerators and freezers for the 1200 square foot store, more than twice the size of the previous store. The co-op used residential refrigerators at its Randolph Street location.

The new store will also offer a sandwich and juice bar. The bar will be open for breakfast, offering organic coffee, croissants, bagels, and eggs. Lunch includes such items as burritos, tofu hotdogs, and organic hotdogs, as well as fresh juices and sandwiches.

Organically raised meat is a new product to the co-op. Many members

are vegetarians, but McLeod said a survey found a narrow majority did want the co-op to carry meats. The organic meat, meat from animals who have not been treated with hormones or steroids and have been given feed that was not treated with chemical fertilizers or insect killers, is bought from local farms.

McLeod, who attended a national expo on health food last weekend in Philadelphia, said she and others are amazed at how the industry has grown from "a few hippies buying brown rice" to a million-dollar business.

The latest trend in the industry is to offer prepackaged fast food-type health food. The co-op carries frozen pizzas, salads, and to-go dinners.

The food co-op buys most of its grains and herbs in bulk and sells them in smaller packages. Most items bought at regular grocery stores require "more money in packaging than in the product," says McLeod.

Many new customers are surprised at the higher costs of organic foods.

McLeod says she considers buying the food as an investment in her health. She and her family don't have to buy medicine or pay doctors' bills, which makes up for the higher cost of the food, she said.

The store carries everything to cover family needs, including natural toothpaste, dog food, shampoo, and bug repellent. McLeod says the only thing she buys at a regular grocery store are toilet paper and dish soap.

The Rockbridge Food Cooperative will hold a grand opening on Nov. 9. The store will be offering samples of many of the items it carries such as different kinds of cheese and crackers and soybean ice cream. McLeod encourages those who aren't familiar with natural and organic products to come in and look around.

The co-op's hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. The sandwich and juice bar, which is expected to open in about a week, will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Adelphi 1, Brown 0, OT
Calif.-San Diego 6, Redlands 0
Catholic 1, St. Mary's (Md.) 0
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What next-Mrs. degrees?

That linescore appeared in the sports section of yesterday's USA Today. We wonder if it should have appeared in the editorial section instead.

Thanks to Mr. Robert K. Tompkins of Morgantown, W.Va., for bringing this to our attention.

OPINION

Budgets

The Mock Democratic Convention is coming up this year, and everyone is getting ready for the big event. The eyes of the country will be on W&L, so everything must go well to make that all important good impression.

The Mock Convention is valuable for W&L. Not only does it generate interest in the university, it allows students to learn what it takes to run an election, and makes them educated voters when the actual election comes around. It also draws the school together to work toward a large goal.

However, it is very unfortunate that the Executive Committee has decided that the Mock Convention is important enough to take valuable budget money from other student organizations. When organization's budgets were announced, the message was clear: everyone tighten your belts so Mock Convention can roll through.

Here is an example of some of the resulting problems. The Ariel, The Political Review and The Journal of Science will all be forced to publish only one issue this year, if they rely only on their budgets for money. All three of these publications requested \$2,400 each. They each received only \$1,200, a reduction of 50 percent.

These publications, along with other student groups that experienced budget trims, were told to search out other sources for funds. A great idea, if only a few groups were involved. But sending out a pack of organizations to compete against each other is not only unfair to the groups, but to the alumni, parents and benefactors they will be contacting.

Although W&L benefits from generous gifts, the well of money is not bottomless. And with the individual states of the Mock Convention trying to raise money for their efforts, the whole fund-raising scheme threatens to turn into a huge fiasco.

Perhaps if someone on past Executive Committees had planned ahead, this problem could have been avoided. Unfortunately, no one seemed to be thinking that money could have been put aside in smaller percentages over four years, instead of giving the Convention a huge lump sum and killing the budgets of other organizations.

Also, the idea behind the budgeting is very weak in some places. When an organization finishes the year in the black, the money they saved does not stay with that organization. Instead, it goes back to a general fund to be redistributed the next year. This is surely one of the most ridiculous policies around.

Why budget money to student organizations, then in effect give them the message to spend as much of it as they can? If the organizations were encouraged to save money and were allowed to keep what they saved, then that organization would not need such a large budget. Basically, this would put some stability into the system, which is sorely needed in some organizations.

The ones who get hurt the most by all this are the students. They are unfairly being deprived of a full extra-curricular schedule, which is very important to one's college experience. Although Mock Convention is important, not every student will want to participate. Does that mean that those students should have activities they are interested in reduced?

Everyone deserves a chance to use their talent. That is what the organizations are for. It needs to be ensured that in the future, everyone does have the chance to use their talents with others who share the same interests, even if an election year is coming up.

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The Perfect Solution to the Co-op Problem



Urinalysis tests are unconstitutional

MY VIEW

By Kathy Morrison

My younger brother, George, has a bright green T-shirt at home which bears a decal that says "JUST SAY NO" in six-inch white letters. I suppose the faculty rationale—he did, by the way, get the shirt at school—went something like "let's spend this much money to print up this many shirts which might help these kids resist drugs and other Nasty Peer Pressures so they can stay out of jail and someday be all-around respectable citizens like us." (Well, I'm sure it went more or less like that.) But for some reason, that shirt bothers me... maybe because it's a very tacky green, maybe because it conjures visions from Orwell's "1984", or maybe because I can just picture my skinny little brother being cornered by a chain-bedeviled gang of dope fiends who wave large reefers in his face as he slowly backs away, mutely shaking his head and pointing at the bold decal emblazoned across his twelve-year-old chest.

Of course, George won't be twelve for the rest of his life, and it's most likely that he won't say no to every forbidden fruit he stumbles across. But by the time he gets old enough to really appreciate the temptations of dissolute living, what will be forbidden to him? Perhaps if the amount of social change between now and five or six years serves as any indication, George as well as the rest of this generation—our generation—may see some radical change in the area of individual rights.

As American citizens, we are

assured in the Bill of Rights that we cannot be forced to testify against ourselves: this is stated in the fifth amendment. Thus, persons under arrest must be informed of their "right to remain silent"; citizens in court may "plead the fifth" in response to an obviously self-incriminating question or request. The fifth amendment is a very important safeguard of individual rights—but under the Reagan administration's mandatory drug-testing program, these rights are being sorely abused.

By "mandatory drug testing," I refer to urine analysis, a test now being administered to government employees as well as to many employees of civilian corporations in the United States. An interesting talk on the ethics of such testing was given at Washington and Lee last Thursday by Rick Lippke, and many of the following ideas as well as all stated facts were originally brought forth in his presentation:

Presumably, this test can identify traces of cocaine or marijuana by analysis of a urine sample. The test is not, however, one-hundred percent accurate; for example, the chemical IB Profen, found in Advil and some other pain relievers, may test positive for marijuana. Some care may (or may not) be taken to help enhance the accuracy of the results—such as testing the temperature of the sample or even supervising its collection as a safeguard against cheating the boss with borrowed urine, or a presently available "just add water" variety. The test is not cheap either. A test administered with any amount of care runs about one hundred dollars a shot (so to speak); in the first year of mandatory drug testing, Reagan's administration spent over fifty million dollars on the program. What's more, the government isn't the only organization utilizing this program; Lippke mentioned that around thirty percent of the corporations listed in Fortune 500 have adopted a practice

of random drug testing. Random testing operates in such a way that anybody can be asked at any time to submit a urine sample, regardless of any cause for suspicion or lack thereof.

This particular weapon of the proclaimed "war on drugs" violates the basic tenet of the fifth amendment: in being asked to undergo such testing, an individual is put into a position in which he may refuse and lose his job or acquiesce and permit his body to divulge information to an employer that could not be discovered in any other way under the law. Thus the employee is forced to incriminate himself if he does, in fact use drugs, and is punished if he does not submit to the testing—regardless of potential innocence. Similarly, these random tests are not accurate enough to ensure the guilt of the accused, making it possible to wrongly condemn an innocent man.

Technology will, however, probably improve, possibly to the point of 100% accuracy for these sorts of tests. What then? If an employee must work and live under the constant threat of losing his job because of a weekend toke, it's most likely that he won't take chances. In this way, drug testing does fulfill its aim of preventing drug use; but it also inhibits that employee's right to his own private life, taking away his individual freedom to the point of the unconstitutional. Why should anyone care if Joe the mailman gets a little high on a Sunday afternoon? What's the moral difference between getting high and getting drunk, legality of substance aside? The point is, it's Joe's business.

But then again, it's not Joe's business anymore if he gets a little high before and during work, or if he gets behind the wheel of a large automobile. However, it's a ridiculous waste of time, money and energy to enforce any rule by means of the constant threat of (perhaps erroneous) accusation and exposure,

especially if the potentially accused has no previous history or present indication of guilt. Now if Joe's weekend habits started to affect his work, the perhaps the postmaster would have good cause to break out the glass beaker. Similarly, drug testing could prove useful in enforcing absolute sobriety in occupations which concern the safety of others; for example, airplane pilots, lifeguards, and ferris-wheel operators should not be in any way incapacitated on the job least they endanger lives.

The solutions to drug problems in the workplace shouldn't concern how to scare the employee so badly that he won't even take aspirin; rather, thought (and money) should be spent finding the proper balance between individual freedom and the sacrifice demanded of that freedom by the society in which the individual is a member. As college students, we are now and will be directly affected by the policy presently developing. And even if drugs—legal or otherwise—pose no future problems, what about the possibility (mentioned by Lippke) of mandatory testing for genetic tendencies such as cancer, Parkinson's disease, heart disease? What's to stop the development and use of dead-accurate lie-detectors or even surveillance systems akin to "Big Brother"? Once the individual reneges his rights as a private citizen, he loses his right to lead a private life. We can't sit passively as issues concerning our rights (as well as the shape of our future lifestyles) develop and slowly harden into law without contest or thoughtful evaluation. We as private persons as well as members of this alleged "just say no" generation have got to start asking pertinent questions—such as "why"—in order to address issues underlying controversies such as drug use. Don't let The Establishment tell you what to say "no" to; otherwise, it could start dictating when you can say "yes."

LETTERS

Cheer for your own W&L teams

To the Editors:

The W&L Women's Soccer Team played a home game against Hollins College last Thursday afternoon on Smith Field. Many W&L students turned out to watch the rivalry embarrassingly enough, however, a very vocal group of these W&L students cheered for Hollins. I found this behavior revolting.

I realize that many of the people sitting in that section of the bleachers date Hollins students—I am certainly not criticizing that (on the contrary, I would encourage it). But I wonder if a W&L coed dating a Hampden-Sydney football player would dare to root for the Squids... It's just unthinkable, isn't it? Or how about a W&L coed cheering for the VMI tennis team? She would be ridiculed!

I can understand that someone would want to support his or her friends on another team. At the same time, what happened to respect for one's peers, and perhaps more importantly, for one's school? At the very least, these people could have remained neutral out of mere common courtesy. It was disappointing for me as a spectator to watch W&L students rooting against

other W&L students; I can only imagine how the soccer players felt.

Valerie Pierson
W&L '89

WLUR thanks sponsors

To the editor:

WLUR would like to publicly thank the Lexington merchants who are sponsoring Washington and Lee football broadcasts this year. Through the generosity of Alvin-Dennis Clothing and Herring Travel Services, we were able to bring our listeners complete live coverage of the Washington and Lee football games against Randolph-Macon and Hampden-Sydney. Without the assistance of these public-spirited merchants, our coverage of Washington and Lee football would be limited and incomplete.

Once again, thanks to Alvin-Dennis and Herring Travel for their generous support of Washington and Lee University and WLUR.

Sincerely,
James Lake '90
Sports Director
WLUR-FM

College Republicans solicit new members

By Brad B. Root
Staff Reporter

With the 1988 Presidential Election just around the corner, the College Republicans will begin to solicit support for the Republican Party.

According to Greg Dale, chairman of the College Republicans at Washington & Lee, the purpose of the organization is to promote Republican ideas on campus and get members involved in campaigning and establishing political platforms.

This year more than 200 W&L students expressed interest in the College Republicans at the open registration held during matriculation. Dale noted there is a considerable decrease in participation this year compared to previous years. Only an estimated 25 people attended the first organizational meeting several weeks ago. In the

past there have been as many as 400 members who were actively involved in the organization.

In the next few weeks members of the College Republicans will be debating different issues in preparation for the Issue Conference held on Nov. 21, at the College of William & Mary. Dale added, "We are also going to try to do some things with the Young Democrats both here on campus and at other Virginia schools."

In February, the State Convention will most likely be held in Roanoke. Members of the W&L chapter may be assisting in the organizational stages of the program. At the convention, delegates will be electing a chairman for the state.

Any students still interested in joining the College Republicans may attend the next organizational meeting yet to be announced. At that meeting a \$5 dues assessment will be collected.



File Photo

Sax maniacs

The Amherst Saxophone Quartet will bring their considerable talent to the Rockbridge Concert-Theatre Series in a concert at Chandler Hall at Southern

Seminary on Wednesday, October 28 at 8 p.m. This event, as well as all RCTS events, are free to W&L undergraduate and law students.

Senior sponsors group for volunteers interested in social work

By Nancy Whalen
Staff Reporter

Senior Mory Watkins will be starting up a brand new organization called the "General Volunteers", a volunteer social workers' group, with a meeting for all interested persons tonight at 8 p.m. in the Fairfax Lounge.

Watkins, a senior French major from Maryland, became involved in social work in high school and became interested in starting up a social work group at Washington and Lee when Marlys Craun, wife of Professor Ed Craun of the English Department, told him of three programs which needed volunteers.

Since then he has added two more programs to the list and hopes that he can get volunteers for each program.

The name of the program was derived from the W&L mascot and the fact that it is a diverse program.

Watkins got the go-ahead for the organization from Dean Anne Schroer, but has worked on it alone. He said he has received offers from others to help him, but he has insisted that his project has to have some structure before he can delegate any responsibility.

His program is separate from Alpha Phi Omega in that APO is a service fraternity, and his program is a social work program which involves consistency.

According to Watkins, "That's

what I see as the definition of social work—consistent work with people."

The list of programs that will be started consist of an Alternative Education program, The Eagles Nest Clubhouse Program, the Lincoln House program, The Mayflower Nursing Home Program, and an Out-Patient Escort Service program.

The Alternative Education program, located in the National Guard Armory in town, is composed of several students who have been removed from high school and need one-to-one tutors for their basic subjects.

The Eagles Nest Clubhouse Program, in downtown Buena Vista, operates as a bridge for mentally ill patients who are getting back into

society. The Lincoln House, located between Lexington and Buena Vista, is a program which involves interaction with the mentally retarded.

The Mayflower Nursing Home Program, operated through Stonewall Jackson Hospital, consists of visiting the elderly.

The Out-Patient Escort Service program at the hospital helps outpatients with their recoveries.

Volunteers will be able to choose whatever projects they wish to work with. They will, however, be asked to sign a contract because of the time commitment.

"Social work involves a commitment to have any long-term effects," said Watkins.

He also said that other volunteers who cannot make the time commitment will be welcomed.

He hopes to get some funding for the organization, but included that because it is still in its building stages, there is some uncertainty as to its needs.

He will fill whatever programs he can, but said that one program getting many more volunteers could cause a problem because one group would become stronger than the others, and he wants to keep the "General Volunteers" unified.

He estimated that in 3-4 weeks all of the programs will be off the ground.

"As soon as the links are established, the programs will start."

He said he wants others to experience what a great thing social work has been for him from every angle, not to mention that it will provide future references.

"I'm so excited, it's like starting a revolution or something," he said.

He wants the organization to carry on year after year and continue to grow so that it will include programs other than the five he is beginning with.

Interested students should attend tonight's meeting and/or contact Mory Watkins at 463-1886.

Frat holds drawing to win Wilson's job

By Heidi Reed
Staff Reporter

What would you do if you were President of the University for one day? "I'd make all the faculty and employees park in the Corral and let the students park on the Hill," said junior Michael Forrester. "Do you get paid? What about a free lunch?" asked junior John Catron.

President of the University for a day? The idea was conceived by junior Sean Bugg and senior Jon Solomon as a way to get students acquainted with what the president must deal with on a day-to-day basis. President John Wilson was very enthusiastic about the concept. "I thought it was a very novel idea," he said.

Various student comments followed the proposition of being president for a day, but most students had to give the idea much thought before they could even provide an answer. Junior Kelly Putney said she couldn't

think of anything she would change with regard to the University's policies.

A half-time raffle drawing sponsored by Sigma Nu at the Parent's Weekend football game Oct. 31 will determine who gets use of President Wilson's office on the following Monday, Nov. 2. Tickets can be bought for \$2 each in the co-op starting tomorrow until the following Friday. All proceeds from the raffle will be donated to the United Way.

While some lucky student is sitting in President Wilson's office, attending meetings and speaking with his staff about current problems that have arisen, President Wilson will be sitting in that student's classes taking notes. President Wilson said "every 5 minutes something new comes up," so whoever is president of the day will have to deal with that. However, he added that the student would not be able to change University policies for the day.

What if the student encounters



File Photo

President John D. Wilson.

something that demands the President's attention? "I would have to be informed as soon as possible of course, but there will be someone on the staff present that could handle any emergencies if the need arises," Wilson said.

What will President Wilson, or rather Student Wilson, wear to class? "Well, if I have Mr. Futch's class I'll

wear a tie, of course," he said. He added, "I hope the faculty won't mind my being there."

"If I were President, I would make it required to go to the football games and stay for the whole thing," said Catron. President Wilson commented, "Obviously, he overestimates the power of the president."

have an opportunity to interview with companies. A pre-selection process will determine who is offered an interview. The promotional flyer says some companies also will hold general information sessions from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The participation in the fair is limited to students from the nine schools sponsoring the event: Hampden-Sydney College, Hollins College, Longwood College, Lynchburg College, Mary Baldwin College, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Sweet Briar College, VMI, and W&L.

Registration fees are \$5 per student. Also, two copies of each participant's resume are required for registration. These will be placed in resume books for employer reference. Additional resumes for every company a student would like to interview with must be turned in by October 16, the registration deadline.

Students granted interviews will sign up either by 8:30 a.m. for the morning session or 1:30 p.m. for the afternoon session on November 18.

Commerce School purchases new microcomputers to aid students

From Staff Reports

If Congress cuts next year's budget by \$60 billion, what will be the effect on the national economy?

Nobody really knows the answer to that question, but it's a typical forecasting problem that professors might ask their students in a college economics class.

Hours of research in the library would enable the college student to make some predictions, and when the next class meets, those predictions could be discussed. But, at the Commerce School students can work on that problem as soon as it's asked, for all the students in the class are sitting at their own IBM Personal System/2 Model 50 computer.

In recent years, computers have become an integral part of most departments at W&L. But what makes this lab unusual is that the 29 new microcomputers in the lab will soon be hooked up into a common network with all the other computers in the building.

That network will be controlled by file servers located in the adjoining laboratory manager's office.

This network will allow instructors to work in their own offices, store in-

formation on the file servers, and have students gain access to the data in the microcomputer lab, thus utilizing the lab for individualized class instruction, as well as for classroom assignments.

Programs that are already on the computers are Word Perfect, Lotus, and the Dow Jones Information Retrieval system which connects to an off-campus base. In addition, some of the computers have access to statistical programs on the university's prime computer.

Most students are already familiar with the Word Perfect word processing program. Lotus is a spreadsheet program for accounting, and the Dow Jones News Retrieval provides access to a complete financial profile of businesses.

An instructor's work station at the front of the room will enable professors to control the 29 monitors in the lab to transmit the contents of their screens to those of his students. The lab, also equipped with seven printers, is accessible 24 hours a day and is staffed until 11:30 p.m.

In a memo to W&L President John D. Wilson last year, Larry C. Peppers, dean of the School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics stated, "We face a major challenge

in fully integrating microcomputers into the curriculum of the (Commerce) School."

"This computer lab will allow faculty members time to focus on the challenging task of curriculum revision as courses are overhauled to incorporate microcomputer technology," said Peppers.

An ad hoc microcomputer planning committee comprised of Commerce School faculty members submitted a report outlining the hardware needed for such a facility. The cost estimate was \$200,000. Contributions from W&L alumni honoring senior professors paid for the project.

Earl Edwards, a 1969 W&L graduate, is the lab's full-time manager. Among his many duties is instructing students in microcomputer mechanics (how to create files, save data, etc.).

A Lexington native, Edwards has worked with computers since he graduated from W&L. Most recently he traveled across the country installing software for steel fabricators for Structural Software Co. of Roanoke.

Of the new IBM Personal System/2 Model 50 computers, Edwards says, "This is a new generation of machine. The operating system for

networking won't even be ready until next spring. That gives us almost a year to get the faculty and students used to the machines."

The new machines are faster, more compact, and use 3 1/2 inch high density microdisks, which hold four

times more information than floppy disks. Each machine has a hard disk that can store all the basic programs.

When the system is networked next

spring, common data bases can be installed and made available to everyone in the building.

"The laboratory speaks to critical need in the School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics states Dean Peppers. With the central accessibility of so much information, there's no doubt that it 'makes everyone much more productive.'

Sigma Nu Presents The King of the Hill Contest

How would you like to:

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Buy a chance to switch places with President Wilson for a day. Tickets will be on sale for \$2 in front of the Co-op from Fri., Oct. 23 to Fri., Oct. 30.

The winning ticket will be drawn at half-time of the W&L-Bridgewater football game on Oct. 31. All proceeds benefit the United Way.

LSAT is called 'five hours of living hell'

By James Midkiff
Staff Reporter

"Five hours of living hell." That is how senior Tom O'Brien described the Law School Admission Test. Another senior, Bucky Strauch, was a little more reserved. "It was not an enjoyable experience."

Greg Unger said, "When I walked out of the test, my brain was intellectual Jell-O."

Every year, law school hopefuls across the country subject themselves to the intellectual trials of the standardized test put out by the Law School Admissions Service.

Last Saturday, 85 students took the test when it was offered at W&L. According to Dr. Rick Heatley, director of Career Services and Development, that is almost twice as many as last year.

Heatley said more people are taking the test across the nation; so many that the company that provides the test has been caught short-handed. Naturally, the number of people taking the test has risen by 40 percent.

Heatley thought that the sudden increase of interest may be tied to the depictions of lawyers in the popular "L.A. Law" television series or because of interest in the Iran-Contra investigations. The result of this surge in interest may be that law school admissions will be more competitive this year, according to Heatley.

Many law schools are already very selective. The mean GPA for students entering W&L Law School last year was 3.2. These student's mean score on the 10- to 48-point scale of the LSAT was 35.

Law professor Edward Henneman

said that an applicant's GPA and LSAT score are two of the most important factors considered by law schools.

The LSAT does not test how much an applicant knows, though. Instead, the LSAT is designed to test how a person thinks. According to Henneman, the LSAT is supposed to be a good predictor of first year performance, but a high score does not mean that a student will do well in law school.

A low score could keep a student out of law school altogether, though.

It is because the LSAT is so very important to pre-law students that several courses have sprung up claiming to help prepare students for the test. One such course was offered at W&L.

Greg Unger, a senior that took the LSAT Prep Course, expressed the common belief that the course was not worth the \$295 cost.

"I could have learned the same thing from buying the book and making the effort myself," Unger said.

Tom O'Brien took the Kaplan course during the summer and thought that it helped him on the test.

"I knew what type of test it would be," O'Brien said. "The course taught you how to pace yourself."

"If it helps me get in law school, it was worth it," he said.

The Kaplan course cost nearly \$500.

Professor Henneman did not know if such courses could actually help a student raise his score. He did not think that it could hurt, and it might lend confidence.

The LSAT will be offered again on Dec. 12. The deadline to register is Nov. 12, but those wishing to take the test should sign up as soon as possible, according to Dr. Heatley.

Blood Drive falls short of goal; nets 129 pints

By Ian Thompson
Staff Reporter

The Blood Drive held in Doremus Gym on October 7th failed to meet their goal of 150 pints of blood, although the American Red Cross did accept 129 pints from donors of the W&L Community.

Norma Hancock, a registered nurse, described the W&L Blood Drive as "successful" compared to other small college campus blood drives. The Red Cross has taken other blood mobiles to Roanoke College, Hampden-Sydney and Hollins College among others.

The first donor came through the door at 11:30 a.m., although most donors came in the late afternoon before 5:00. Hancock described this period as "hectic since it takes 45 minutes per donor."

Each donor went through seven stations. First the donor registered, then moved to the medical history and temperature check station. Some questions included in the medical history are "ever taken self-injected drugs?" and "been to Haiti or Zaire?"

Next a Women's Auxiliary volunteer questions the donor about "tattoos, hepatitis and AIDS among other things," said Hancock.

The fourth station is the

hemoglobin station where the donor has his ear pricked to determine his or her iron content in their blood. The donor then picks up an empty blood bottle and is escorted to a cot where a nurse asks the donor more questions. Hancock said "the nurses repeat some of the important questions concerning AIDS".

When asked whether all the nurses were registered, Hancock said that some nurses were "licensed practitioners who are qualified to let blood", although they were "not R.N.'s".

Blood-letting takes about five minutes and is followed by a 15-minute recovery, during which

donors were provided sandwiches and sodas by the Newcomer's Club.

What was the reaction to giving blood? John Missert, senior and six-time blood donation veteran said "it didn't hurt at all". Missert donated the much in demand blood type, O positive.

Some donors pass out. "This is rare," said Hancock, "and these donors are told not to give blood."

Student organizer, Chris Martin said "It went pretty well considering everyone was sick." The IFC awarded prize money to the fraternities with the highest participation. Phi Delta Theta won \$100, Pi Kappa Alpha won second and \$50, and Chi Psi pooled \$25 for finishing third.

An 'unusual' toy shop ignores electronics

Robert MacPherson
Staff Reporter

calls "the different and the unusual" in her store, Creative Dimensions. Located at 117 W. Nelson St. in Lexington, Creative Dimensions has something for kids of all ages.

"No one ever grows up," said Jarrell, referring to the reason why her store has survived for almost three years. "I have as many older customers as I do younger ones," she said.

Jarrell said that she is able to compete with larger stores such as Roses and Maxway because she carries items that those stores do not.

"People still want old-fashioned toys. I carry fun things that even adults like," Jarrell said.

Until last April, Creative Dimensions was located in Lexington's Main Street Mall. Jarrell said that the store on Nelson Street is about 300 square feet larger than the one on Main Street. She said that the move to the larger store has increased business "a great deal."

Jarrell said that Creative Dimensions offers a layaway plan and accepts major credit cards.

most student business comes from sales of stuffed animals.

Jarrell said that she expects this year's holiday season to be big one for her store despite new toys which she says are "nothing spectacular." She said that a current big-seller is a stuffed version of the Anheiser-Busch mascot Spuds MacKenzie.

Store hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Jarrell said that hours will be extended during the holiday season.

Beer sales down; food sales up at GHQ

By Robert MacPherson
Staff Reporter

points, money substitutes which are available to students and faculty at a discount rate, were up to almost \$4,000.

Torrence said the rise in the drinking age and stricter security on band nights were two of the main reasons for the decline in beer sales.

"We all work for the university so we can't encourage students to drink," he said.

He added that because the GHQ is affiliated with the university, it cannot advertise off-campus.

"Since we are a non-profit opera-

tion, we can under-sell the area restaurants," Torrence explained.

According to Torrence, the main objective of the GHQ is to "offer an alternative to the snack bar and the dining hall."

"The GHQ is the only place on campus where you can go to sit down and be waited on," he said.

Torrence said that in addition to the traditional Wednesday night bands, the GHQ will be sponsoring bands on Friday nights. He said that when the GHQ sponsors a band, the only money it brings in is from beer sales.

"The band plays for the door, that's the deal," he said.

Torrence said that the odds are about "50-50" that a Friday night band will be good business.

The GHQ is open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Dinner hours are from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Sunday through Friday.

The GHQ is normally closed on Saturdays but Torrence said it will be open on Oct. 31 for Parent's Weekend.

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GENERAL NOTES

Italian food

The W&L Lacrosse Team will be holding a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, Nov. 1 from 6-8 p.m. in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Tickets are \$4 per person and are available in the lacrosse office or from any member of the lacrosse team.

French film

The Washington and Lee Film Society is pleased to announce its second presentation of the year, *Entre Nous* (France, 1984), directed by Diane Kurys.

Screenings will be at 8:00 on Friday 23 October and Saturday 24 October in Classroom "A" in Lewis Hall. There is no charge for admission. The film is in French, with English subtitles.

Nominated for an Academy Award for Best Picture in 1984, this marvelous story of friendship between two women (played by Isabelle Huppert and Muriel Micou) spans the years from World War II through marriage, children, and divorce.

Second chance

The Politics Filmfest will show *Seconds* (U.S. dir. John Frankenheimer) tonight at 7 p.m. in 327, Commerce. Highly experimental in musical score, camera angles, lenswork, special effects. May be too jolting for Rock Hudson fans. A masterful probe into the proper bounds and basis of political authority when man is no longer mortal. Starring Rock Hudson, John Randolph, Will Geer.

The three sisters are Olga Masha, and Irene, portrayed by W&L students Tait North, Delia Ford, and Gena Woolner. The brother, Andre, is played by Harry Penner.

Reservations and ticket information are available by calling the theatre office at 463-8637.

Call me

The new campus phone directories are in and can be picked up in Scott Dittman's office from 8:30-4:30, Monday-Friday.

Public poet

Denise Levertov, who has been called "America's foremost woman poet" by *The Library Journal*, will give a reading at W&L Wednesday, October 28, at 4:30 p.m. in the library's Northern Auditorium. The public is invited.

Levertov's visit is sponsored by the Glasgow Endowment, a program at Washington and Lee which brings distinguished writers to the campus.

Re-shot mugs

Remakes for the yearbook will be on November 4th in the University Center from 10-12 and 1-5.

Teach school

You can, in just four years, receive your Washington and Lee degree and at the same time, become certified to teach in the public schools of Virginia and

There will be a general meeting for Trident on Monday, Oct. 26 at 7:00 in the Women's Center. We will be talking about our Parent's Weekend Party. All women are welcome!

Trident meets

The GHQ is open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Dinner hours are from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Sunday through Friday.

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Women harriers win 1st meet of season on home course

By Mike Shady
Sports Editor

How sweet it is.

The Washington and Lee women's cross country team won its first meet of the season Saturday, defeating Emory and Henry, 45-18, in Lexington.

The Generals (1-2) had help from two sources in gaining the victory: the arrival of a new runner and the advantage of running on their

challenging home course.

Freshman Paige Cason took second place overall for W&L, finishing in a time of 24:01 over the 5-kilometer course. Her time was good enough to break the course record for W&L runners and was the third time this season that she was the General's top finisher. However, it was the performance of the team's second finisher, freshman Shawn Wert, that gave W&L an extra lift.

"I knew that Shawn would do well when she got a chance to run with us," said head coach Jim Phemister, "because she's run with us some in

practice and she's a very tough runner. I was very pleased, but not surprised."

Wert, running in her first meet because of a commitment to fall tennis, finished fifth overall with a time of 26:29. Wert was the General's No. 5 singles player on the women's tennis team before joining the cross country team.

Juniors Stephanie Smith and Anne Geary and freshman Margaret Boyd were the other three scorers for W&L.

Running on one's home course can give a decisive edge and, according

to Phemister, this was definitely the case in this meet.

"Our course is a very hard one for everybody," he said. "It's also a very slow one for everyone. Everyone who ran on it ran probably several minutes slower than they run on other courses. The harder it is, the more home court advantage that gives you."

Phemister also cited the importance of experience when racing on a difficult course.

"Our two junior runners, Anne Geary and Stephanie Smith, who are both experienced on the course,

seemed to respond well to it," he said.

The Generals will compete again in Lexington on Saturday at 2 p.m. in what Phemister calls a "jumbled" meet. Runners from Southern Seminary, Hollins, Sweet Briar, Mary Baldwin and West Virginia Tech will possibly race, but Phemister said he was not certain whether any of the schools would field a full team. The men's cross country team, which did not compete last week, will go up against Bridgewater and West Virginia Tech at 2:30 p.m.



Jim Phemister
... I was very pleased'

SPORTS

Revenge sweet for polo

By Hunter Catlett
Staff Reporter

Revenge is sweet. For the second straight week, the 18th-ranked Washington and Lee water polo team avenged one of its few losses this season.

In the final game of the Southern League tournament's second round, W&L defeated the University of Arkansas-Little Rock 12-9 Sunday in Richmond.

In the first round of the Southern League tournament, held here in Lexington, Arkansas defeated the Generals 13-11 in a controversial finish.

The tournament's first game pitted W&L against Hampden-Sydney. Led by junior Stuart Sheldon's four goals, the Generals easily disposed of the Tigers for the second time this season, 15-3.

The second game of the tournament had W&L and the University of North Carolina-Wilmington squaring off. The Generals jumped to a 5-1 halftime lead and, led by junior David Reavey's four goals and junior David Dietz's three goals, cruised to a 13-4 victory.

In the semi-finals the Generals met George Washington University. The first half was a defensive war that saw the Generals claw their way to a 4-2 halftime lead.

"We started off slow. The coach said we needed a big win, so we just tightened the screws and became more intense," said junior Martin Burlingame, who led the Generals with four goals in the game.

Indeed they did. The offense opened up and the defense pitched a second half shutout as the Generals went on to win 12-2.

Sunday's showdown with Arkansas was a dandy. After an intense defensive first quarter, the Generals led 2-1. During the second period the Generals took leads of 4-2 and 5-3 before the Trojans bounced back with two goals in the final 1:14 to tie the score at 5-5 at halftime.

The third period saw Reavy connect just 53 seconds into the period to give the Generals a 1-goal lead, 6-5. Less than a minute later, Arkansas scored on a penalty shot to tie the game.

Reavy struck again with 2:28 left in the period to give W&L a 7-6 lead, only to see the Trojans charge back and tie the game again with 1:03 left. Junior Moose Herring connected on a shot just 15 seconds later to give the Generals an 8-7 lead after three periods of play.

Arkansas was unable to recover as W&L led the rest of the way in posting a 12-9 win.

The water polo team will get a well-deserved break this week in their schedule.



By Mathew Horridge/The Ring-tum Phi

Alexa Salzman charges upfield with ball against Lynchburg.

From Staff Reports

After winning its very first game — ever — Saturday against Sweet Briar, the women's soccer team returned to Lexington to tie Lynchburg on Wednesday.

The Generals downed Sweet Briar 3-2 in overtime. Sophomore Sarah Allen booted in the game-winner from 20 yards out with 3:40 left in the first of two overtime periods.

The women led at the end of the first half 1-0 on a goal by junior Alexa

Men get 2 victories

By Gary McCullough
Staff Reporter

The men's soccer team fought two very close battles this week and came out on top in both. The wins were not against Old Dominion Athletic Conference foes, but the Generals' overall record buoyed back up to sea level at 5-5.

The Generals made their first strike of the week on Saturday at Gettysburg. Senior captain John Coll had two direct hits in the first half of the game. W&L was denied any score padding in the second half, but the two-goal margin proved to be too large for Gettysburg, which was only able to score one goal in the second half.

The VMI Keydets stormed Wilson Field on Tuesday for the annual cross-town rivalry between W&L and VMI.

Charles Lyle was the General who took advantage of a short-range shot that put W&L on top, but that was about all the action for the scorekeeper as the Generals held on for a 1-0 win on a dreary Lexington fall afternoon.

"Their style is real physical and aggressive," said sophomore Rick Silva.

Salzman and sophomore Mary Alice McMorrow doubled the score.

On Wednesday, sophomore Joelle Jackson kicked in a goal with six minutes remaining in the second overtime period to tie the Generals with Lynchburg at 1-1. Ties stand during the regular season.

W&L's record is now 1-7-2. The Generals will face Randolph-Macon Woman's College on Saturday at 11:30 a.m. on the New Alumni Field.



The Ring-tum Phi, October 22, 1987

Football loses 3rd

By Jim Lake
Staff Reporter

Teams that are highly touted in pre-season polls often disappoint their admirers once the real competition begins. But, as Washington and Lee head football coach Gary Fallon will quickly tell you, such is not the case with the Hampden-Sydney Tigers.

Living up to their reputation as pre-season favorites to win the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship, the Tigers steamrolled the Washington and Lee Generals on Saturday, 35-7.

"They certainly didn't disappoint," said Fallon. "I think it was their quickness that gave them the added edge."

The opening drive was surprisingly balanced. Hampden-Sydney threw three times and gave the ball to the tailback four times; in fact, head coach Joe Bush all but ignored his leading rusher, senior fullback David Kelly. But the Tigers showed they didn't need the potential All-American. Hampden-Sydney took the lead it would never relinquish less than six minutes into the game on a 6-yard run by senior tailback Kevin Wallace. Sophomore kicker Jimmy Hondroulis extended his perfect career in extra points to give the Tigers a 7-0 advantage.

The W&L offense took the field for only three plays, losing three yards before junior Tom Skeen was called

on to punt. Two plays later, the W&L offense took Kelly out of the ballgame with a knee injury. When Hampden-Sydney's John Jewell fumbled away the football on the very next play, things were suddenly looking up for W&L. But the Generals managed only five yards in three plays before Skeen returned to the game once again.

This time, however, the Tiger offense stalled at the Hampden-Sydney 21, and the Generals took over at their own 32. But sophomore quarterback Phil Sampson threw an interception on first down, and the Tigers were soon back in the end zone.

The subsequent W&L possession was the closest thing to a drive the Generals could manage in the first half. Starting at his own 23, Sampson completed four passes and carried the ball twice before being sacked at the Hampden-Sydney 42. A Sampson pass was picked off by Tiger freshman David Ingram on the very next play, and the W&L offense left the field empty-handed yet again.

The victory was the third win in a row for the Tigers, who are undefeated in three ODAC games. The Generals fell to 2-3 overall and 1-3 in the conference.

Shades on Sports

By Mike Shady

Yankees' owner a real disgrace



The recent firing of Lou Pinella from the position of New York Yankees manager is the last straw. George Steinbrenner is not only a disgrace to the game of baseball, he is also a big, fat, ugly jerk of a human being.

Can Steinbrenner show any patience? How about compassion? Maybe some understanding? Nah, all ol' George is concerned about is winning pennants and making bucks, which is ironic considering that it is lack of concern for his players that is keeping him from claiming the American League East title.

Come on, George! Relax. Take a chill pill, for Pete's sake. You have great players, used to have a great manager and Yankee Stadium is one of the best fields around. So what's the problem? I'll tell you. Steinbrenner has no brain!

Why fire Pinella when he is respected and admired by both his teammates and managers around the league? And his replacement? Billy Martin? What's this make it: the 100th time he's managed the club? Gimme a break. It seems to me that George is bored with trying to win championships (which would happen if he would just keep his fat nose out of the dugout) and just wants to instigate something in the newspapers. You know the old story. Everyone has forgotten about the poor Yankees so George decides the best way to make people notice again is to make a radical move or lambast some player through the press.

Let's take an example of the insanity of it all. Don Mattingly, New York's gold-glove first baseman and a person most fans consider God in spikes and batting gloves, is the player involved. Steinbrenner wants the team to practice on Mondays, one of the few off days for ballplayers. It's a volunteer workout. George, however, has expressed his desire for everyone to attend. Mattingly is a no-show. No problem, right? You know, every superstar needs a day off every now and then. But nooooooo! George says Mattingly is a slacker, a guy who is not willing to lay it on the line for his team. Who is he kidding? To add insult to injury, the gutless Steinbrenner does it in the papers. Why don't you say it to his face, wimp?

Steinbrenner justifies all his actions by saying he is acting just like any normal fan who wants his money's worth. He reasons that he is paying Dave Winfield \$2 million a year for home runs and RBI and he doesn't get them on a consistent basis, someone is going to face the consequences.

What Steinbrenner doesn't realize is that he doesn't own a team of baseball machines. They are human beings. No one (especially you) is perfect, George. Why don't you get off their backs? You haven't won anything doing it your way, now have you? Why don't you just leave your players and manager alone? Take a trip to Russia in April and don't come back until October. I think it's a pretty good idea.

As long as Steinbrenner is owner, I hope the Yankees don't win another game. Wouldn't you just love to see a 0-162 record for the 1988 season? I know I would. I wish no happiness for you Steinbrenner, you rich, spoiled bum. You stink.

NOTES — Ah, the strike, she is over. Nice move on the players part. They throw almost a quarter of their season's salary in the garbage and end up taking an action that they could have done in August, before any of this happened. Final Score: Owners 72, Players 0 ... Congratulations to the women's soccer team for its first win of the season and the program on Saturday ... The Twins will win the World Series in six games. Bet the ranch and the dog on this one... Will the NHL's regular season ever mean anything? Will anything meaningful be said by ALF, the dog from outer space? I think not ...

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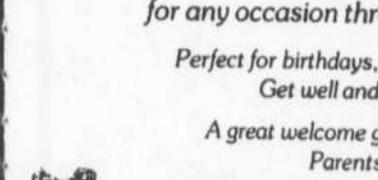
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The Nam Triad is completed

By Michael Tugge
Entertainment Editor

On May 10, 1969, the 101st Airborne Division's B Company, and the 3rd Battalion of the 187th Infantry stormed up Ap Bia Mountain in the heart of Vietnam's A Shau Valley. Ten days and 241 American fatalities later, the North Vietnamese Army was gone and Ap Bia Mountain was secured. The American government called Ap Bia a victory. The soldiers who fought there called it "Hamburger Hill." In Vietnam, there were no victories, only victims.

Less than a year ago, Oliver Stone's *Platoon* examined the morality of Vietnam, and for the first time, presented on screen, the harsh realities of the war that the American public had chosen to ignore or forget. Then in May, Stanley Kubrick's *Full Metal Jacket* showed us the psychological side of Vietnam; the warping effects of which thousands of American veterans are forced to live every day. Now, John Irvin's *Hamburger Hill* completes the triad by bringing to the screen, the blinding, maiming, killing side of Vietnam: the violent side.

Platoon chronicles the development of Chris (Charlie Sheen), a college dropout who volunteers for Vietnam to see the "glory of war." What he finds instead, is a war of ethics between the sadistic sergeant Barnes (Tom Berenger) and the humane sergeant Elias (Willem Dafoe) that ultimately leads to destruction and death. Chris' final soliloquy, given as he is being pulled out of the war to finally go home, sums up the haunting message that Stone implies in the film.

"I think now, looking back, we did not fight the enemy. We fought ourselves. And the enemy was in us. The war is over for me now; but it will always be there, the rest of my days. As I'm sure Elias will be; fighting with Barnes for what Rahn called: possession of my soul. There are times since, I've felt like a child, born of those two fathers. But be that as it may, those of us who did make it, have an obligation to build again. To teach to others what we know, and to try with what's left of our lives, to find a goodness and a meaning to this life."

Vietnam was a chess match played by an indecisive, uncommitted American government that used the youth of our country as pawns. Thousands of American soldiers were lost unnecessarily, and for what? For truth, justice, and the American way? Fifty-eight thousand of our veterans died in the Vietnam War, yet today, communism is still a way of life for the Vietnamese.

Haunting memories are a way of life for many of the American veterans who fought in Vietnam. Thoughts and visions of the war are a hell that only they can understand, and one that follows them like the death that shadowed them in the southeast Asian jungles. These psychological effects are the subject of Stanley Kubrick's *Full Metal Jacket*.

If there is one word to describe Kubrick's films, the word is shocking. *Full Metal Jacket* is no exception. Kubrick's film, based on the novel, *The Short-Timers*, is a scrutinized study of the psychological side of the Vietnam War. The first half of the film is spent in basic training where the recruits are brainwashed into becoming killing machines.

"This is my rifle.
There are many like it, but this one is mine.
My rifle is my best friend. It is my life.
I must master it as I must master my life.
Without me, my rifle is useless."

Following week after week of this routine, and total physical, emotional, and psychological humiliation and degradation, the soldiers complete their basic training and go directly into Vietnam to prove themselves. It is there in combat, when the platoon is picked apart and murdered by a mere child, that the soldiers, most especially Joker (Matthew Modine), begin to realize and understand the futility of the American occupation in Vietnam.

Joker's realization is, on a personal scale, what John Irvin examines on a large scale in *Hamburger Hill*. Though it is never mentioned in the film the saddest aspect about the attack and subsequent takeover of Ap Bia Mountain was that within a month of the seizure, the mountain was abandoned by American forces



John Irvin's "Hamburger Hill" joins "Platoon" and "Full Metal Jacket" to complete the Vietnam film triad.

and retaken by the Vietnamese. The entire offensive on "Hamburger Hill" existed to repel the North Vietnamese Army away from coastal regions. There was never any intention to keep what we had taken, and as a result, 241 American soldiers died in vain.

John Irvin's *Hamburger Hill* is a powerful film that pulsates with overwhelming violence. Irvin does however take time to make a political statement. The film has extremely heavy undertones of the apathetic American attitudes that many Vietnam protesters shared.

In one of the scenes, a reporter confronts the commanding officer of the platoon that just stormed the hill, and says to him, "Word at headquarters is that you can't take the hill. Senator Kennedy says you don't have a chance. What do you think of that?" Sadly, this attitude is the same lethargic, apathetic attitude that soldiers came home to after the war. Men deserving a hero's welcome received nothing but animosity and contempt.

At one point in the film during a discussion among the soldiers about their backgrounds, the doctor of the platoon replies, "We are all no good niggers on this hill, blood and soul." Vietnam took every kind of man, and denied for many, their life, their health, and their happiness. The War was hell, and death did not

discriminate.

Platoon, *Full Metal Jacket*, and *Hamburger Hill* are all excellent films. Though they each give totally different perspectives on the War, together they form a triad that when united, takes a giant step toward understanding the hows, whys, and whys of Vietnam. Oliver Stone, Stanley Kubrick, and John Irvin have stepped back and asked why. Their answer is: that there is no answer. The three films manifest themselves in acts of violence, just like the war itself.

Platoon ends with a shot of the war-torn jungle that Charlie is being taken out of. *Full Metal Jacket* ends with an expanding shot of a bomb crater where bodies covered in lime are being bulldozed in for a mass burial. *Hamburger Hill* ends with a shot of the mountain, and the hundreds of dead bodies that cover it. Each film ends with a tragic statement. Was it all really necessary?

Perhaps the best expression of the intentions, and aspirations of the directors in making these three films, comes from a poem that closes *Hamburger Hill*.

"If you are able, save for them a place inside of you, and save one backward glance when you are leaving for the places they can no longer go.

Be not ashamed to say you loved them, though you may, or may not have always. Take what they have left, and what they have taught you with their dying, and keep it with your own. And in that time when men decide and feel safe to call the war insane, take one moment to embrace those gentle heroes you left behind."

Major Michael Davis O'Donnell
1st January 1970
Dak To, Vietnam

With the hope that we will never have to endure another Vietnam.

TUG'S TAG:
Platoon ★★★★
Full Metal Jacket ★★★½
Hamburger Hill ★★★

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5 p.m. CHEMISTRY SEMINAR: "Medical School Admissions," Norman Anderson, M.D. Room 401, Howe Hall, Refreshments at 4:30 in Room 402. Public invited.
8 p.m. SHANNON-CLARK LECTURE IN ENGLISH: "An Open Letter to E.D. Hirsch: Liberal Education and Cultural Literacy," Wayne C. Booth, Distinguished Service Professor of English, University of Chicago. Northern Auditorium, University Library. Public invited.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

- All Day BUSINESS ETHICS INSTITUTE and Billy Budd Colloquium.
8 p.m. BUSINESS ETHICS INSTITUTE LECTURE: "The Art of Managing Ethical Dilemmas," Norman E. Bowie, University of Delaware. Room 221, Commerce School. Public invited.
8 p.m. BILLY BUDD COLLOQUIUM LECTURE: "Reflections on the Text that Brings Us Together," Harrison Hayford, Northwestern University. Moot Courtroom, Lewis Hall. Public invited.
8 p.m. FILM SOCIETY: Entre Nous. Classroom "A," Lewis Hall.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

- All Day BUSINESS ETHICS INSTITUTE and Billy Budd Colloquium. Fencing Clinic featuring Wieslaw Glos, Penn State coach and Olympic medalist. Doremus Gymnasium. To participate, call Dr. Jim Worth (463-8592) or Chris Wolf (463-8815). Spectators welcome.
11:30 a.m. MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: Generals vs. Bridgewater, W.V.I.T.
11:30 a.m. WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: Generals vs. W.V.I.T.
WOMEN'S SOCCER: Generals vs. Randolph-Macon Women's College. Upper Athletic Field.
8 p.m. FILM SOCIETY: Entre Nous. Classroom "A," Lewis Hall.
AWAY ATHLETIC EVENT: FOOTBALL: University of the South.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- All Day Business Ethics Institute ends. Fencing Clinic featuring Wieslaw Glos (see Sat., Oct. 24). Doremus Gymnasium.
AWAY ATHLETIC EVENT: MEN'S SOCCER: John Hopkins.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- Freshman mid-term grades due. Reception for students interested in teacher certification. Fairfax Lounge, University Center.
CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PLACEMENT: Choice of Majors Workshop. Room 109, University Center.
Pot Luck Supper for women faculty and administrators. W&L Alumni House. For information, call Peggy Hays, University Library, ext. 8643.
CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PLACEMENT: Planning for Graduate Studies Workshop. Room 109, University Center.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PLACEMENT: Career Alternatives Workshop. Room 109, University Center.
CONCERT: Heinsohn and Day. Lee Chapel. Public invited.
AWAY ATHLETIC EVENT: WOMEN'S SOCCER: ODAC Tournament (through Oct. 31).

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- MEN'S SOCCER: Generals vs. Hampden-Sydney. Wilson Field.
CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PLACEMENT: Career Lecture Series: "Opportunities in Corporate Finance and Securities Sales and Trading," Blake Witherington (W&L '82), Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. Room 114, University Center.
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