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Peer Soderberg
... charged with shotgun blast

Student faces felony gun charge

By Fraser Bowen
Staff Reporter

Washington and Lee junior Peer A. Soderberg was arrested and charged with a felony in connection with firing a shotgun during a brawl between members of two fraternities early Saturday morning.

At around 2 a.m. Saturday, Soderberg, who is the vice-president of Sigma Phi Epsilon, allegedly fired his 12-gauge shotgun into the ceiling and walls of the SPE house in an attempt to break up a fight between brothers of his fraternity and those of Phi Gamma Delta.

As a result of the incident, both SPE and FIJI were placed on social probation and conduct probation by the Interfraternity Council at its meeting Tuesday night.

The fight stemmed from a chain of events that had started several hours before, the exact details of which are not yet clear.

The conflict began Friday evening as the SPEs prepared their house for their annual "Caveman Party," which included a mock cave entrance to their house. SPE President John Flippen said one of the house's pledges wrote offensive graffiti concerning the FIJI house. When officers of SPE learned of the graffiti they immediately had it removed and apologized to the FIJI's, according to Flippen.

"The impression I got was that neither side was too receptive to the apologies," said IFC member Eric Mutz.

The next incident occurred at around 10 p.m. when a group of about 20 FIJI's went over to the SPE house. Soderberg, who was in charge of the party because Flippen was out of

town, met the group on the front porch. Words were exchanged between the two groups, but eventually tempers cooled off again.

In the early morning, the two groups squared off again inside the SPE house. The party was over by this time, but several SPE brothers, including Soderberg were still inside.

During the fight, Soderberg supposedly broke free and ran upstairs to his bedroom to get his shotgun. By this time, both the Lexington police and W&L security officers were on the scene.

Lexington Police Sergeant A.M. Miller, who arrested Soderberg, was in the house at the time the shots were fired. He said he drew his own weapon but did not fire.

Police said Soderberg was charged with "maliciously discharging a firearm within a building," which is a felony.

Although the IFC has already taken action against both fraternities, the imposed punishment will be reviewed and possibly amended by the Student Affairs Committee Friday. In addition, the Student Conduct Committee will investigate Soderberg's actions.

IFC President Goodloe Lewis said the council was also concerned the possession of a firearm in a fraternity house. Both the university and the IFC have banned possession of any firearm in fraternity houses.

Mutz said both houses have been placed on social probation until Nov. 26. SPE will be on conduct probation until the end of this academic year and FIJI will be on conduct probation until next Oct. 30. Also, the IFC requested that FIJI review the status of the house's officers.

If a fraternity breaks the conduct probation, it may face suspension of its charter.

Smoke fills Gaines hall

By Pat Lopes
Editor

After two months of false fire alarms, it was the real thing early Saturday morning for residents of Gaines Hall.

Washington and Lee security guards tripped the fire alarm about 4:30 a.m. when a smoldering blanket in suite 262 filled the second floor hall in the southern part of Gaines Hall with smoke. Smoke was also clouding the adjoining hall in the eastern part of the building and the third floor halls directly above, Head Resident Assistant James Rambeau said.

As Lexington Fire Department volunteers doused the blanket, several residents went door-to-door on the smoky second and third floors alerting other residents, who were either sleeping or ignoring the alarms.

Four false fire alarms occurred Friday night. In the past two months there have been numerous others after the alarm system tripped unnecessarily. The alarms, however, did not ring automatically on Saturday. Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Jim Arthur said enough smoke had not gathered in the halls to trip the alarm system, which he said is in proper working order.

Nonetheless, Ken Ruscio, assistant Dean of Students for Freshmen and Resident Life, is looking into the incident. "Whenever things like this happen it causes us to examine things to determine if our procedures and the system are operating as they should," he said.

The fire was probably caused by the heat of a lamp, Rambeau said. Junior Paul Mazyck had fallen asleep with a bedside lamp on. In the course of the night, Mazyck's blanket twisted around the lamp's extension cord. Eventually, the warm lamp began burning the blanket, Rambeau said. No injuries were reported.

Before Saturday's fire, Ruscio said he was checking a possible over-sensitivity of the system, which might have been the cause of false alarms plaguing both Gaines and the freshmen dormitories.

The system operates by monitoring particle movements in the air. False alarms are triggered when motion causes significant particle movement, Arthur said.

Virginia fire code prohibits W&L to reduce the system's sensitivity, Ruscio said, but he said he is trying to determine the flexibility of the code.



Trick or treat?

Tricia Phell, a junior exchange student from Sweet Briar College, hands out Halloween candy from her Gaines Hall suite last night as Harlan Beckley, a W&L religion professor, follows the action. Lexington youngsters donning colorful Halloween garb lined city streets beginning yesterday afternoon for the annual festival. Staff photo by Chris Leiphart.

Keg rule gets nod from IFC

By Jason Kelley
Senior Copy Editor

A new rule banning kegs at fraternity parties will go on the books if a proposed Interfraternity Council by-law passes a second round of voting next Tuesday.

The new rule that would ban all beer kegs at registered fraternity parties was approved by the council Tuesday night. The proposal must be approved again before it goes into effect.

The council passed the by-law after it rejected two other rule proposals that members criticized as being too restrictive. One proposal called for a ban on kegs and other communal sources of alcohol at all fraternity functions. The other would have banned kegs from being present in chapter houses at any time.

The agreement on the new rule was reached after members questioned the definition of a fraternity function as outlined in the first proposal. Members said they felt there was no reason to ban kegs at functions where only brothers were present and insisted that the ban apply only to registered parties.

"What if a few guys want to get a keg to sit and watch football in the afternoon?" one member asked. "They should be able to do that. We're just tying our own noose with this rule."

IFC President Goodloe Lewis, who was obviously disappointed by the modification of the original proposal, said after the meeting that he

thought individual fraternity house corporations would push the Alumni Fraternity Council to impose a total ban on kegs since the IFC could not make the rule itself.

Associate Dean of Students for Greek Affairs Leroy "Buddy" Atkins said the ban on communal sources of alcohol was partly intended to lessen fraternities' liability by technically not allowing the fraternity to serve its alcohol to underage drinkers.

"It's hard for me to sit here working for the university and tell you it's okay to break the law because its not okay," he said. "But if you're going to allow it to be broken, it should happen in a way that it puts your house at the least risk."

In reaction to an incident last weekend at the Sigma Phi Epsilon house in which a brother shot his shotgun at the ceiling during a party (see related story), Lewis warned fraternity members that firearms are not allowed in fraternity houses.

He said storing guns in houses is a violation of the university's Standards for Fraternities.

"Actually it's a suspendable offense since it's a violation of the standards," he said.

Lewis also warned that there must be a sober house officer at all parties to keep things under control.

"If you think the party is getting out of hand, just call the police and they'll come and kick everyone out of the house for you," Lewis said. "Chief Beard has told me they won't hassle you about it, and if they do, come tell me and I'll talk to him again."

Student naps in local's bed

By Macon Miles
Staff Reporter

A W&L student was arrested early Sunday morning and charged with breaking and entering after forcing his way into a basement apartment of a Lexington resident at 211 Barkley Lane while he was intoxicated, police said.

Freshman Garrick O'Neal Stewart broke a window in the door in order to get into the apartment of Lexington resident Ann Kelly, according to police.

Kelly, who is the assistant manager of the bookstore at Southern Seminary, was not in her apartment at the time. Her 8-year-old daughter was with Kelly's mother in the house above the apartment.

Kelly said she had been at a Parents' Weekend function at Southern Sem. before she arrived at her apartment with her escort about 1:15 a.m.

She said that she noticed the gate to the back yard was unlatched and the window was broken. When she entered the apartment she saw Stewart asleep on her bed.

"I didn't know if my mom and daughter, who were upstairs, were dead or wounded. A lot goes through your mind," said Kelly.

She immediately phoned the Police from her kitchen and then went to a neighbor who phoned Kelly's mother, who had been asleep during the incident.

The police arrived a few minutes later, according to Kelly. The police arrested Stewart at approximately 1:20 a.m. According to Sgt. Sutton, Stewart was intoxicated at the time.

"He was incoherent," said Officer T.H. Pedersen. Sutton later added that Stewart didn't know where he was when he was arrested.

"When I spoke with him that night, he was saying that the Fijis let him in, and that there was a party here," said Sutton.

Phi Gamma Delta President Bill Yorio said he knew nothing of the incident and that there was not a party at FIJI that night.

Neither Stewart nor Dean of Students David Howison would comment about the incident.

Kelly said she feels sorry for Stewart. "Obviously he has a problem. I feel like this person needs help."

According to Kelly's mother, Stewart had tried to break into her house and had torn the screen on the back door before going into Kelly's apartment downstairs.

"I don't blame W&L for what happened. I just think that the young man was very drunk and needed to be somewhere else, probably his room," Kelly said.

Three weeks earlier Stewart was arrested for being drunk in public while trying to enter a Lexington church. According to police, Stewart had claimed to have been locked out of a fraternity.



Gerard Doyon

Art professor Doyon dies

By Joshua Manning
Staff Reporter

Dr. Gerard M. Doyon, professor emeritus of art history, died Saturday of complications due to abdominal cancer. He was 67.

Born in Manchester, N.H., Dr. Doyon served in the U.S. Army during World War II. In addition to other wartime commendations, he was awarded the Bronze Star for valor in

combat.

After the war, Dr. Doyon earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from the Manchester Institute of the Arts in 1949, and a bachelor's degree in philosophy from St. Anselm's College in 1951. While studying on a fellowship in Paris, he received degrees in art history from the Ecole des Beaux-Arts and Ecole du Musée in 1952. Back in the states, Dr. Doyon earned a master's degree in art history (1956), and, finally, a

doctorate in French art from Boston University in 1964.

Dr. Doyon taught at St. Anselm's and Florida State University before joining the W&L faculty in 1968 as head of the art division, department of fine arts. He was elevated to full professor of art history in 1971, the position in which he served until his retirement last May.

Dr. Doyon wrote and lectured

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Weekend packed for parents

By Jennifer Gibson
Staff Reporter

The 615 students expecting family members and friends for Parents' Weekend can plan the three days from a schedule of events including open houses, concerts, sporting competitions and luncheons.

Upon arrival parents are encouraged to register in Fairfax Lounge, where they may pick-up maps and a final program, Assistant Director of Development Chris Deighan said.

Department open houses, a careers seminar, faculty appointments and a mathematics seminar will lead up to refreshments for freshmen and their parents at Lee House on Friday, Nov. 2 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

"This provides an opportunity for those attending to meet the President and Mrs. Lee," said Christie Davis, Coordinator of Special Events.

Friday evening is marked by two

musical performances, beginning with the Choral Ensemble Concert at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel.

In addition, the Student Activities Board and Independent Union will present a show by "Wanda and the White Boys" in the GHQ at 8:30 p.m. with appetizers and a cash bar.

On Saturday, Nov. 3, students and parents can wake up to a free continental breakfast and information session at 8:30 a.m. in the Lewis Hall faculty lounge.

Later that morning, seminar panels on student and academic life will be held, as well as a model law class.

President Wilson will address parents at 11:30 a.m. in Lee Chapel, followed by a luncheon on the front lawn. The cost for lunch is \$5 or 5 points for adults and \$3 for children.

The football game against Guilford will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Other athletic events include an all-day Southern Conference Water Polo Championships and a rugby



Parents listen to Dean John Elrod deliver a speech last year.

game versus Christopher-Newport at 11:30 a.m.

The GHQ will serve a special dinner from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday with entertainment provided by pianist Art Wheeler, the musical host for Virginia's 1990 Film Festival.

The University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel.

Once again, Washington St. will be closed from the University Center to the gymnasium on Friday from 11 a.m. until midnight and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in order to facilitate parking.

In efforts to minimize the shortage, the University has requested that students carpool, walk or bike to classes Friday.

Students do good community work

There's a new book on the market, provocatively titled *Fraternity Gang Rape*. In fact, you can find it in the "New Book" section of the University Library. On the dust cover, it claims to expose the "daily life in the fraternity." Among the daily routine, it would seem, are pornography, ritualistic dances, and gang rape. Makes you wonder where they get time to go to class.

Greek organizations are, for better or for worse, on the run these days. Fraternities and those who belong to them are increasingly being seen as larger-than-life monsters, whose only desire is to haze your son and rape your daughter. In our opinion, that is less than accurate.

Those who view Washington and Lee students as nothing more than drunken nuisances, frolicking in an undergraduate den-of-iniquity, must have been quite taken aback last night to see several fraternity members escorting tiny trick-or-treaters through the streets of Lexington to collect their candy.

The escort program was initiated by the Interfraternity Council, in an attempt to provide a useful service for the community and win a few friends for what is undoubtedly the most-heavily criticized student group--fraternity members. Last night's endeavor, however, was just the latest community service effort on the part of W&L students.

Notwithstanding the view of many area residents that members of our university are lazy, callous and self-centered, W&L students are involved in a number of community service ventures. With many of their efforts largely unpublicized, we would like to take this opportunity to commend those involved in projects such as Big Brother, Habitat for Humanity, Adopt-a-Highway and Rockbridge Area Recreation Organization.

And surprise, surprise, all who subscribe to the short-sighted view that fraternities are merely houses of the unholy, fraternities are in the vanguard in a number of these projects. Sororities also do much more than their share of organizing and executing community service projects.

We hope that the IFC continues the policy of being active in the area of community service, because that organization can be instrumental in spurring some of those fraternities that have been lax in the area of community service to greater efforts.

It is our belief that by maintaining an active and honorable presence in the community, that the Washington and Lee Greek system can do nothing but create goodwill between the school and the citizens of Lexington. These good relations will benefit the image of every W&L student in the eyes of the community, and might just come in handy in solving many of the disputes that arise regarding student interests and rights versus the interests and rights of the people of Lexington.

To our readers

We must be forced to ask that members of our community no longer submit anonymous or unsigned letters to the editor. While we have allowed a few unsigned letters to appear in print so far this year, we must insist from here on that no more such letters will be printed.

By no means do we wish to discourage contributions to the paper, for we are here to provide a public forum for all sorts of student opinion, but we wish to stress that all letters must be signed, so that we can verify the veracity of the letter. If the author requests it, we will consider withholding that person's name. Of course, all letters must conform to obscenity regulations and must obey all current libel laws.

Quote of the Week

With such self-improvement we will not have to have some magazine tell us how good an university we are. We will know it ourself.

— The Vanderbilt University student newspaper, providing the world with a case in point of exactly why they were not ranked among the top 25 national universities by *U.S. News & World Report*.

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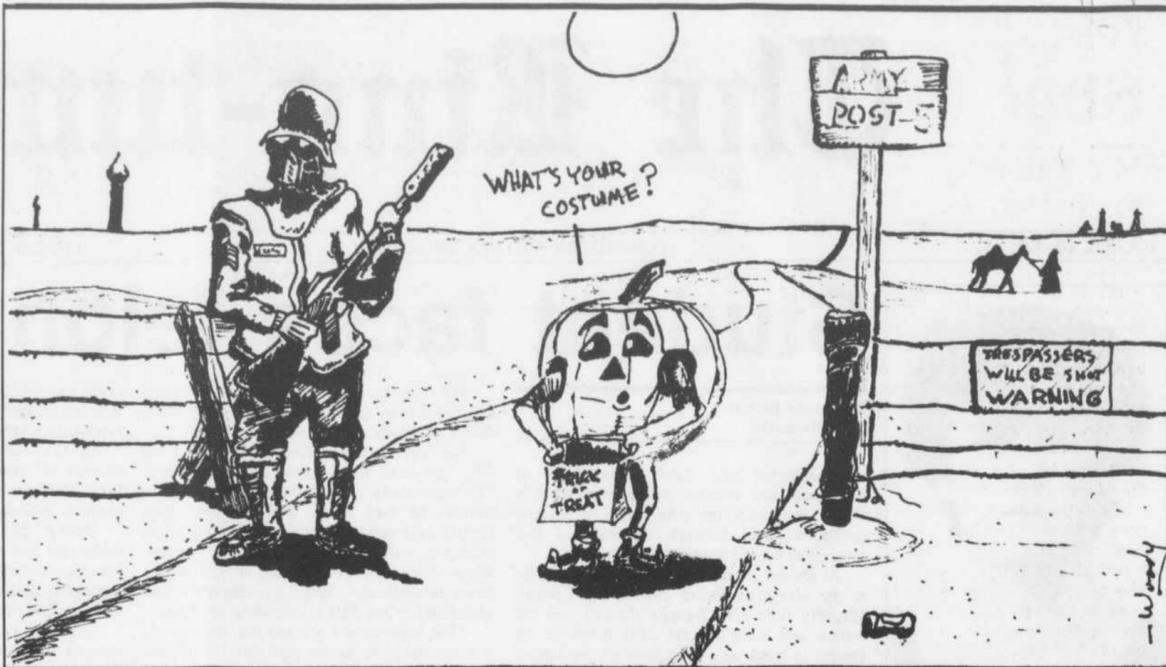
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LETTERS

Kappa Alpha replies to Critical Probation

Members of the Student Affairs Committee:

On October 11, 1990, I received a letter from Dean Howison's office stating that the Alpha Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order had been placed on Critical Probation for the 1990-91 academic year for violating the Washington and Lee University Standards for Fraternities. I acknowledge the fact that the behavior of the chapter on the evening of September 21 was unacceptable by ordinary standards, and in violation of the rules that govern fraternities. I am, however, concerned over a) the lack of focus and excessive burden of Critical Probation, and b) the lack of confidentiality and due process in the proceedings of the Student Affairs Committee.

The following is a summary of the events of September 21. At approximately 11:30 p.m., the police notified me that the party was "out of control" and needed to be shut down within five minutes. While some members were out of control, and while the organization bears a collective responsibility for their actions, Robert Foresman, a member Alpha Chapter House Corporation who was present at the request of the police, saw control restored by the chapter officers within the allotted time frame. The police and the House Corporation are in agreement that the chapter officers acted effectively, and that there were no kegs on the premises. No written violation or summons was issued. That night, Robert notified other members of the Corporation. Henry Foresman and Bill Bean met with Dean Atkins later in the week, and, as I understand it, received the impression that if the Corporation took proper disciplinary action, no further action would be warranted. My meeting with Mr. Atkins that week, and a subsequent conversation with the President of the IFC, led me to the same conclusion.

The meeting of the House Corporation took place on Saturday, September 29, prior to any action by the University or the IFC. The Board of Directors, of which Jason Gordon, KA's treasurer, and I are both voting members, discussed what course of action should be taken. We voted unanimously to place the chapter on conduct probation for the academic year. Other provisions, to which we all agreed, included requiring Alpha to employ a House Mother in January, at an estimated cost of \$20,000 payable by the chapter next semester. The fact that it was our unanimous decision illustrates a collaborative effort between the chapter and the Corporation. It also demonstrates the officers' commitment to reform. In effect, the Corporation did not "punish" the chapter. Rather, the chapter realized the need for a change in its collective behavior, and made an effort to do so in conjunction with the Board. At no time since the incident has KA failed to acknowledge the severity of its infraction or its unacceptable behavior. On the following evening, there was a band party at the House which concluded without incident.

Dean Atkins, Dean Howison, and IFC President Goodloe Lewis reviewed the conduct probation, never giving any indication that the terms were anything but sufficient. Mr. Howison expressed satisfaction that KA had taken care of the matter on its own, and Mr. Lewis expressed confidence in the chapter officers' ability to adhere to the conditions.

In spite of his silence, Mr. Atkins referred the matter to the IFC. From that point, IFC proceeded according to its constitution, and placed the chapter on six weeks of social probation, subject to review. I was present at the Judicial Board's hearing, and answered questions regarding the incident. I understand the correlation between the loss of social privileges and abuses in a social situation. The terms of the probation were precise and instructive, and fashioned with the improvement of KA in mind.

Following a procedure that seems to be in transition, SAC reviewed the IFC's decision, and imposed a harsher penalty. While SAC may be empowered to increase a penalty levied by the IFC, it seems arbitrary for it to do so without first-hand information from the accused. In the process of unanimously voting to place KA on Critical Probation, SAC never contacted the chapter leadership. Please understand the message this sends to the chapter. If SAC simply

wished to concur with the Corporation's resolution, which is the impression I received from Mr. Atkins and Mr. Howison, then Critical Probation hardly seems necessary.

Mr. Howison stated that "a further violation of the Standards for Fraternities or other serious incidents of misconduct" would result in a suspension of the chapter for a minimum of five years. Violations of the Standards can include such infractions as noise or litter violations. In addition, "other serious incidents of misconduct" can include any number of criminal activities by an individual, for which Mr. Howison would hold KA accountable for according to his statement. Both deans have told me that incidents of this nature would not warrant suspension, but KA has received nothing but an informal, verbal assurance. Given my recent conversations with the deans, I am reluctant to leave the present terms unspecified. If SAC is prepared to increase an existing punishment, then it must also be prepared to make the punishment fit the crime.

I mentioned earlier that I received Dean Howison's letter on October 11. By that time, I had already heard about SAC's decision. On the evening of October 5, I stumbled into a conversation between a KA, a student member of SAC, and members of another fraternity, who were discussing the fact that KA had been placed on Critical Probation. After receiving official notice, I met with Mr. Howison, who acknowledged that the details of SAC meetings are intended to be confidential. He assured me that an effort would be made to maintain privacy in the future, without any indication of personal liability on that score. Shortly after the meeting, however, I received a phone call from a journalism student who wished to interview me about Critical Probation, and KA's involvement. She explained that Dean Howison suggested the topic to her earlier in the week. It seems to me that ordinary standards would prevent an administrator from discussing sanctions levied against a chapter prior to official notification. This action displays punishment as the priority rather than instruction.

I understand that the Fraternity Renaissance requires a change in the attitude and behavior of fraternity members. The implementation of Critical Probation may set the necessary precedent. However, it is difficult to believe that interest in Kappa Alpha played as much of a role in SAC's action as did the desire to set a standard for other fraternities. While KAs are prepared to make serious efforts to live up to the high standards we set for our members--standards that seem even more important during this Renaissance--I find it difficult to respond positively, when the factors against the chapter are made to seem so vague and destructive.

I would, therefore, ask the Student Affairs Committee to reexamine its policy of increasing penalties imposed by the IFC without further participation of the accused, and would encourage it to seek a clearer link between punishments and the specific behavior of the Committee wishes to see amended. I would also ask SAC to address the practice of its members of broadcasting Committee decisions prior to the official notification of the accused.

Sincerely,
Niko Lorentzatos
President, Alpha Chapter
Kappa Alpha Order

Phi article promotes race-baiting

I would like to comment on a recent article in the *Phi* that was particularly disturbing. It appears as if certain individuals are attempting to create an unhealthy hysteria on campus and in the Lexington community.

The issue that needs to be addressed is the Lloyd's article on "gang" activities. Leaving aside the questionable reproduction of factual statements, the author states that a Black youth with a high-top fade came into Lloyd's. He proceeded toward the back to play a video-game and wasn't armed or anything. Lo and behold, he was a member of the infamous "L-posse". The lesson is that he looked harmless enough, but he was a member of a "gang." Is the implication that one should fear Blacks with high-top fades? I hope that this is as ridiculous to you as it is to me. One is an alarmingly small step away from advocating fear of Blacks whether they have high-top fades or not.

When a local youth was asked about this "L-

posse" he claimed that there was no such thing (in alignment with police and Lloyd's employee sentiments). The author placed this fictitious "L-posse" in the article anyway. However, the article does not cite one incident that the so-called "L-posse" committed, yet they are one of the focuses of the article.

To the young women that are scared to eat at Lloyd's because Blacks loiter outside -- see a psychiatrist! I think that the problem in large part is with you. I can often be found around more than one other Black student, yet I pose no danger to you. I resented your stereotyping of Black people. It was uncalled for, unproductive and repulsive. It has even come to my attention that the young "ladies" were kidding. The whole thing was some sort of perverted joke. It would have been fitting if the statements were made anonymously because then you would have been like the unknown comic, ...and he's not funny either.

All of these articles about "mischievous" Blacks attacking "angelic" W&L students is also disturbing in light of a particular UNREPORTED incident last year. A Black W&L student was attending a party at a fraternity that will remain unnamed. He was accosted by a White W&L student for wearing a W&L food service hat. Other people had on hats, but he gravitated to this particular student. As you would expect, a verbal confrontation ensued between the two.

One of the very drunk White student's fraternity brothers, who is also White, stepped into fight for him since he had a better chance of winning. The new combatant physically assaulted the Black W&L student...for wearing a hat! Looks racially motivated to me. Was it racially motivated? If such were the case, I guess the *Phi* missed one. Why did not the concerned students of W&L at that party report this incident? Was it because he was Black, so it did not concern them? I'm starting to wonder.

Generalizing comments about Blacks (no matter what their hairstyle) is a personal affront. If civility is still an element of W&L tradition, it definitely needs a revival. Articles like the feature on Lloyd's promote race-baiting, not civility. Is this the face W&L community would like to show to a portion of its student body?

Sincerely,
Damon L. Sanders, '91

Unnecessary adjectives in Phi story

I must admit, the first time I read the Lloyd's article last week, I didn't catch the unnecessary adjective. But when someone else pointed it out to me, I read a little more carefully.

I don't doubt Chris Swann's fact that the man who attacked Mr. Fleming and Mr. Josey was "black," but I'm not sure I understand the significance of his race in this attack.

If the *Phi* wants to get "colorful," how does this sound?

"A white male, Colin Fleming, and another caucasian, Robert Josey, both sophomores, said they were attacked inside of Lloyd's by a black male in September of last year."

Sounds ridiculous to me. What I hope to illustrate is that racial distinction in this sentence, and in several places in the Lloyd's story, is not necessary.

Sincerely,
"A somewhat off-white" Christopher Bray

Praise for the women's soccer team

Coach Hathorn and the women's soccer team: Hold your heads high -- we are so very proud of each one of you. Your toughness and class throughout the season, and especially in the championship game, were inspiring and joyous to watch. Thanks for giving this school such cause for celebrating together. Next season when we have our voices back, we'll be there rooting for you, and have all the confidence in the world that you will win the ODAC title if not more.

— The students of W&L

Sbar tells all about polo team

MY VIEW

By Jon Sbar

In a gutless effort to pacify outraged female readers, who found my last article concerning issues of the flesh "repulsive," "disgusting," "demented," and "about as funny as a sexually transmitted disease," I have decided to write a family-oriented column on the subject of naked lesbian mud-wrestling. Of course, I'm only joking. My real intent is to write a relatively smut-free article about water polo, an ancient sport invented by Adam and Eve shortly after the fall of man. Being a member of Washington and Lee's water polo team, I must warn readers that this article is biased and self-serving.

To begin with, water polo is extremely strenuous. It takes endurance, strength, speed and a low intelligence level to swim furiously up and down a pool chasing after a yellow ball, while opposing players kick you in the face, punch you in the stomach and hold you under water until you turn blue and pass out from a lack of oxygen. To prepare for the rigors of the season, the W&L water polo team holds an end-of-summer training session in which they rise every morning at the crack of dawn and spend the day participating in the coach's sadistic conditioning drills. Occasionally, a naive freshman makes the mistake of over sleeping during pre-season training. Luckily for the freshman, he has caring teammates who take the time to run over to his dorm room and hurdle onto his bed. It's a great treat waking up underneath a pile of guys who haven't brushed their teeth, shaved, showered or changed their clothes in weeks. Just like it would be swell to wake up in

Africa underneath a pile of elephant dung.

The next water polo point of interest concerns apparel. In the interest of reducing drag and at the expense of style and human dignity, water polo players wear competitive bathing suits that are skimpy and obscene. The only difference between underwear and a competitive bathing suit is that underwear is reasonably comfortable. However, most players are so accustomed to wearing these suits that they become desensitized to the inevitable indecency. Some players actually desire to wear even more revealing suits. Early in the season, a rebellious faction of the team, lead by talented goalie P.J. Waicus, suggested that we wear leopard-skin butt-thongs in order to increase game attendance. This led to a team controversy that local historians are currently calling the **Butt-thong Schism**. The issue was finally settled in a violent inter-squad game of Jungle Ball, which is essentially water polo without rules and other safety precautions. Luckily, the butt-thong faction was narrowly defeated. For the time being, the team is reconciled. However, P.J., who is suffering from an eye injury, has vowed to rally butt-thong supporters like field player Scott Strader and return with a vengeance.

The problem with water polo is that the game makes very little sense to people living outside of California, where the game holds religious significance. Fans generally don't understand the game and consequently spend most of their time trying to figure out when they should perform vital fan duties such as yelling obscenities at the referees. Of course, veteran polo fans like Severn Duvall, who is a mild-mannered English professor by day, can instinctively sense when it is appropriate to yell obscenities at the referees. Perhaps the veteran polo fans acquired these skills by watching Coach

Page "jugular vein" Remillard, who emits thick jets of vaporized rage when referees make bad decisions. Coach Remillard is prone to get angry at referees often because he can detect the slightest technical error. Of course, this is to be expected from a man who spent ten years of his life in a Trappist Monastery memorizing water polo rule books. Because I have to go to practice tomorrow, I think that now is a good time to get off the subject of Coach Remillard and onto other topics.

While other students are engaged in week-end debauchery, the W&L polo team is busy traveling to remote locations across North America for tournaments. In order to avoid boredom on these long road trips, players begin behaving like hyper-active elementary school students on a field trip to an amusement park. Two week-ends ago, for example, Alan Herrick spent about 45 minutes in a hotel hallway trying to write on my arm with a yellow high-lighting pen. A lot of tournaments are held at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. It's fun playing there because the team gets to eat in the Navy Dining Hall, which is roughly the size of Iowa. It's just too bad the food tastes like horse dung.

Another problem with Navy is that my teammate, Jim "the duck" Dunleavy, lost my magical blue towel in the athletic dormitory. The team, which is very superstitious, hasn't been the same without my blue towel and we are desperate to get it back. If anyone reading this has any leads or tips concerning the blue towel, please call Jim immediately at (703) 464-3762 (if you are out of state, feel free to call collect). In the meantime, I suggest you entertain yourselves by attending this week-end's home tournament. If you want to find out game times, or just need someone to talk to, call Jim at the number listed above.

W&L Greek tax is unjustified

MY VIEW

By Richard J. Peltz, Patrick B. McCabe, Richard E. Hill Jr. and Robert H. Wilson

To W&L Greeks and their Parents:

A serious matter has come to our attention, that of the "Greek tax" which has made the news of late in *The Ring-tum Phi*. We have decided to withdraw our support of this billing -- \$100 per year for each member of a house not being renovated, such as ours this year, and \$400 per year for each member of a house renovated, such as ours next year. We should, we proceed, with Renaissance, pending further justification for this charge from the university.

University Treasurer Lawrence Broomall has explained that the Greek tax is to aid the university in the financing of the Fraternity Renaissance program. Renaissance funding is not, however, sufficient justification for the tax, for a number of reasons.

First and foremost, the Greek tax is contrary to the university's obligations under the *Standards for Fraternities*. Article I Section D subsection 1a of the *Standards* states that "The University / Shall provide: / Financial support to individual fraternity chapters through: a. Programs to generate revenue for renovation, repair and maintenance." The *Standards* do not even imply that such revenue would be obtained by a direct charge to students.

Second, the university notified fraternity treasurers of the Greek tax

only this month, when the treasurers were reminded to include the tax in their billings. It is the university's responsibility to make rising costs known to students and bill-payers, usually parents, which the university failed to do. Students learned of the billing only a matter of weeks ago, primarily from *The Ring-tum Phi* and house treasurers, not from the university. Most parents will learn of the new charge a matter of weeks before it is due. What if the university gave so little notice to parents about a five percent increase in tuition? Would that be acceptable?

Mr. Broomall said that knowledge of the tax was lost somewhere between the Administration, and students and parents. "I'm sorry I made the mistake in assuming that leaders are leaders," said Mr. Broomall. Whether fault lies with student leaders or not, it is not the responsibility of students to keep other students aware of university billings.

Mr. Broomall, as university treasurer, did apologize for the error. One might assume that parents or students who "forget" to pay the tax can "apologize" likewise without penalty.

Third, the university has placed no end in sight for this Greek tax. While renovations have a target date for completion, there is no indication from the university that the tax will be tabled when renovations are finished. Quite the contrary, in fact. Mr. Broomall told *The Ring-tum Phi* last week that the tax may increase with costs. If renovation costs increase when renovations are over, then something is not right. Will the tax not decrease when costs decrease?

Fourth, by our calculations, Phi

Chapter of Delta Tau Delta in particular has sufficient equity in the house to claim Renaissance is a pretty fair trade between Delt and the university. To assess a tax indicates that Delt is not providing its fair share of the Renaissance costs in turning over its title. To charge Delt an assessment beyond its title is essentially charging Delt for renovations to other houses which are costing more than the equity they are contributing. Mr. Broomall and the administration don't have a problem with this. Mr. Broomall said that the administration knew well beforehand that there would be "inequities" in the system. Yet throughout Renaissance negotiations with the university, Delt has repeatedly been told that the ultimate goal of the program is to bring all houses to a level of equality. It seems the university is not above using hypocritical means to achieve noble ends.

Fifth, because of our advantageous financial position, the acquiescence of our Brothers in going ahead with the program was largely in a spirit of cooperation between our house and the university community, not a reluctance to tackle the renovations ourselves, a plan which is financially feasible. Now it seems that the university has taken our participation for granted and plans to take advantage of houses such as ours, which are entering Renaissance with generous postures.

Sixth, the feelings of Mr. Broomall and Associate Dean of Students Leroy Atkins in last week's *Ring-tum Phi* indicate an ignorance of the financial standing of Greeks. Kappa Alpha Theta President Kimberly Booth's fears of heavy financial burdens negatively affecting

Greek life were right on target. The primary motivation we have observed for Delt "deactivation" has been financial reasons. Further, many men have failed to pledge solely for financial reasons. Now the university is going to make it even harder for students to participate in the Greek experience, a socially and academically beneficial part of life at W&L.

For Mr. Broomall and Dean Atkins to suggest that \$400 or even \$100 per year will not have much impact on individuals is typical of the ignorant attitude that "everybody at W&L has more money than they know what to do with." The Financial Aid Office could surely provide statistics to the contrary.

Chi Psi Treasurer Joe Milcoff was very right last week when he said "This is not a communist country." Yet the university continues to regard all fraternities as a single institution which generates a single sum of revenue and requires a single sum in costs. Yes, we get along fairly well. No, we are not all the same. We do not simply divide up the freshmen men into even numbered groups when they come to campus in the fall; rather, we compete for quality men who we want to be our Brothers. The very fact that we compete should be a sign to the university that we are different, independent entities that must be dealt with, each in a different context. Specifically, each house has different strengths to offer the Renaissance program, and each has different liabilities. You cannot throw all strengths and liabilities into one big pot and dish it out in even helpings. It just doesn't work that

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GENERAL NOTES

Help wanted

Interested in being an advertising salesman for *The Ring-tum Phi*? We currently need two or three more salesmen. For more information, please call 463-8581.

Go skiing

The Ski Club will hold a brief organizational meeting for anyone interested tonight at 7 in Room 7 in Newcomb Hall.

Foreign affairs

The Foreign Affairs Club will hold a meeting tonight at 7:30, in Newcomb Hall. We will be discussing our trip to the Princeton model U.N. in February and other upcoming events. New members are welcome.

Politics

The Political Review is interested in articles and papers written by students and faculty for the fall/winter issue. Deadline is Nov. 15. Please bring all submissions to Carol Caulkins in Room 104 of the University Center. All submissions should include your name, year, and telephone number. If there are any problems or questions, please contact Ingrid Schroeder or Megan Koch.

Good luck

Those wishing to apply for a summer internship with *The Washington Post* should send a request for an application to: Summer News Program, News Department, *The Washington Post*, 1150 15th Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20071. Applicants must have an interest in journalism, writing ability and typing skills. Previous experience at a commercial and/or college newspaper is preferred.

More politics

Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political fraternity, is looking for new members. If you have taken 10 or more credits in politics, and have a 3.0 or better in those courses, you are qualified to join Pi Sigma Alpha. This year, the fraternity will host several speakers, have a debate, and will lead a voter registration drive. If interested in becoming a member, contact Prof. Handelman or John McManus.

Nice eyes

Come out and vote for the hottest eyes on campus! Delta Gamma is sponsoring their First Annual Beautiful Eyes Contest next week in front of the Co-op, and the eyes that earn the most money win. All proceeds will go to the Delta Gamma Foundation to benefit Sight Conservation and Aid to the Blind. For more information, please contact Cathy Lopiccolo at 464-4553.

Art reception

"Red Letter Days: British Sporting Art of the 18th and 19th Centuries" will be on display at the Anne Gary Parnell Art Gallery at Sweet Briar College. On Nov. 9, there will be a preview reception at the gallery.

Fight M.D.

Contribute to the fight against Muscular Dystrophy. Sign up in the D-Hall tonight to give up your dinner on Nov. 8. All proceeds will go to the Superdance fund.

Orientation

The Mock Convention Steering Committee will hold two orientation sessions for students interested in participating in the 1992 Mock Democratic Convention. They will be held at 7 and 9 p.m. on Nov. 8 in Room 203 of Reid Hall.

Card game

We're looking for one or two other people who understand the card game pinochle and would be interested in getting a game together. For information, please call Josh at 463-2397, or Colin at 463-9286.

IU/SAB party

The Independent Union, in conjunction with the Student Activities Board and the Student Telephone Union, will hold a wine and cheese reception at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow night in the Fairfax Lounge. Afterwards, there will be a concert in the Pit. All students and their parents are invited.

Booksale

The mostly annual University booksale will run from Thursday, Nov. 1 until Nov. 8 in the University Library lobby.

Hockey

Anyone interested in joining the W & L Ice Hockey club should contact Louis Kaye, 464-5477.

FD theme

What do you want the Fancy Dress theme to be? The SAB wants your ideas for a theme. Turn in written ideas at Carol Caulkins office in the University Center by Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Get It Out

If you need to get a message to the student body, put it in the General Notes! Leave a brief, typed note in the General Notes envelope outside the *Ring-tum Phi* office at room 208 in the University Center.

Interviews and photos

by Amanda Huguen

What do you think about the Greek tax?



Travis Shaw, '91, Virginia Beach, VA - "Can you charge it home?"



Lisa Dowling, '93, Baltimore, MD - "I think it is ridiculous, we shouldn't have to pay it and I can't afford it."



Joe Milcoff, '92, Pittsburg, PA - "In reality, we (Chi Psi) are getting slapped with a double taxation and will see no benefits from the money we pay."



Holly Buffington, '92, Birmingham, AL - "If they are going to be taxing the entire Greek system, they need to tax girls' schools, independents and cadets, too."



Pete Klingelhofer, '91, Baltimore, MD - "What are you talking about?"



Catharine Caldwell, '91, Birmingham, AL - "I just hope Buddy and the Housing Corporation have a good February Break."

TALKBACK

EC reps attend honor seminar

By Rick Peltz
Staff Reporter

Junior Executive Committee Reps. Clayton Kennington and Caroline Wight represented the Washington and Lee Honor System at a five-day honor conference at the U. S. Military Academy last week.

About 60 representatives from some 20 schools attended, according to Kennington and Wight, most of them from military academies, including Virginia Military Institute. The group was divided first into thirds where each delegation presented their honor system to the group and answered questions.

"They were impressed that we were totally student-administered," said Wight, "and they were very impressed that the single sanction worked."



Caroline Wight

Wight said that final say in most of the academies' honor systems is in the school administration rather than a student organization. Moreover, gradations in sanctions are common, such as giving greater tolerance to freshmen over seniors, or someone who confesses over someone who is turned in.

Wight also said many systems have "toleration clauses," such as "a student will not lie, cheat or steal, or

tolerate a student lying, cheating or stealing."

"Some systems, such as Rice, apply only to academic violations," said Kennington. "They say nothing about daily life or acting honorably."

The large groups were broken down into groups of six for the remainder of the conference. They were charged with creating the "ideal honor system," said Kennington and Wight, "that could be implemented in any school."

Kennington said his small group decided that implementing an honor system at a school previously without one would require a multi-sanction system to start. Otherwise, "nobody would turn anyone in," said Kennington.

"A vote down the line," he said, would change the system to single sanction.

Kennington and Wight received a number of suggestions to improve the W&L Honor System, including a mock-closed trial, honor committees to orient small groups of students to the honor system, and a test on the system that new students must pass.

"That was the main thing that struck me," said Wight, "that we need more education."

The University of Virginia, Duke University and Princeton University were among other civilian schools at the conference, according to Kennington and Wight.

In other business, Sophomore EC Rep. Kirk Ogden expressed concern about theft from dormitories by students at area women's schools.

EC President Tom Hatcher reminded W&L students "that while they should feel safe, to be careful," especially on weekends when students visit from other schools.

Hatcher also announced that the EC will review the 1989-90 proposals of the Constitutional Revisions Committee on Nov. 12.

Busy weekend planned for parents

Friday, November 2		9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	**Appointments with faculty, administration	Individual Offices
8:00 a.m.	Classes Begin. Parents are welcome to join their students in their classrooms.	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	Seminar Panels: 1) Student Life 2) Academic Life	TBA
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration	9:15 a.m.	School of Law Information Panel	Lewis Hall, Moot Court Room
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	*Open Houses	10:00 a.m.	Model first-year law class	Lewis Hall Moot Court Room
2:00 p.m.	Careers Seminar: "Where Our Graduates Go"	10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Seminar Panels: 2nd Session 1) Student Life 2) Academic Life	TBA
2:00 - 4:30 p.m.	**Appointments with faculty, administration	11:30 a.m.	Report to Parents President John D. Wilson	Lee Chapel
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Open House for Freshmen and their parents	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Luncheon	Front Lawn
8:00 p.m.	Concert: Choral Ensembles	1:30 p.m.	Football: W&L vs. Guilford	Wilson Field
9:30 p.m.	Live entertainment sponsored by the Student Activities Board	8:00 p.m.	Concert: University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra	Lee Chapel
Saturday, November 3		Sunday, November 4		
All Day	Water Polo: Southern Conf. Championships	3:00 p.m.	Concert: American Boychoir	Lee Chapel
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	*Open Houses	* The Open House Schedule will be available at registration. ** Students must arrange each 15-minute appointment.		
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Registration	Please mark your calendar for next year's Parents' Weekend. The dates are November 1-2, 1991.		
8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast with the School of Law faculty, administration			

DOYON

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extensively in his specialty, 19th century French art. He was the author of a three-volume paperback series *Art by the Masters*, published in 1967. He also lectured yearly at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

While at Washington and Lee, Dr. Doyon was an artist as well as a teacher. He hosted several art exhibitions in the duPont Art Gallery. For many years, Dr. Doyon drew for the *News-Gazette* as its editorial cartoonist. In addition, he was a strong supporter of the Fine Arts in Rockbridge (FAIR) summer program for children.

In 1984, Dr. Doyon was awarded the Jefferson Davis Medal for Research in the History of the South for tracing the history of the statue of Robert E. Lee in Lee Chapel.

Dr. Doyon will, perhaps, be missed most due to his charm and antics in the classroom.

"I really enjoyed my work for him because he was one of those people who loved both teaching and the students," said Christie Davis, '89. Davis worked with Dr. Doyon during her junior year. "I was composed until I saw his wife at the funeral," which was held yesterday,

Davis continued. "They were the most adorable couple."

"Gerard was very fond of dressing up," recalled Professor Albert Gordon of fine arts. He said students as well as faculty will probably remember his love for the Fancy Dress ball. "He and his wife would always dress according to the theme. They always had a great time, and went out of their way to help others enjoy themselves. He was a fun colleague."

Dr. Doyon's retirement last year was completely voluntary. According to Gordon, "He retired fully looking

forward to a wonderful retirement. I think he had no idea of his problem. Retiring was simply in the regular course of events. This, I believe, is the greatest tragedy."

Dr. Doyon is survived by his wife, Marie-Therese of Lexington; two daughters, Suzette Bernard of Pensacola, Florida, and Denise Jared of San Jose, California; and a son, Leon Gerard Doyon.

The family has established the Doyon Art Scholarship Fund which will make it possible for artistically talented children of modest means to attend the FAIR summer program.

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I.U. searches for 'stronger identity'

By Chris Bray
Staff Reporter

The Independent Union is searching for a new, stronger identity on the Washington and Lee campus, according to I.U. president Erica Ingersoll.

The organization's immediate goal is to let independents know it exists, she said.

"We want W&L independents to know we're around and what we have to offer," said Ingersoll.

According to Ingersoll, the I.U. is an organization for males and females of any year, who want to enjoy social functions yet avoid the structure and commitment of Greek life. The I.U. also provides a means for independents to pursue intramural sports and other interests.

"If an independent comes to us with an idea for an event or an activity, we encourage them to run with it," said Ingersoll. "The I.U. has money to support most independent interests."

The I.U. has planned a wine and cheese reception for Parents' Weekend and hopes to provide independents with social outlets during other big W&L weekends, such as Fancy Dress, according to Ingersoll.

Ingersoll said the I.U. is anticipat-

ing a role in the proposed new student center. Associate Dean of Students for Greek Affairs Leroy "Buddy" Atkins, a member of the center Planning Committee, independents will take an important part in the planning of the facility.

"In terms of planning, what the student center will do for independents is more important than what it will offer the Greek organizations, which in most cases already have meeting places," said Atkins.

The Planning Committee, which is scheduled to begin meeting Nov. 1, will seek input from the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils as well as the I.U., said Atkins.

"The facility will be for all members of the W&L community," said Atkins. "The Planning Committee will make sure everyone gets their say."

Ingersoll said she looks forward to the independents' role in the planning.

"The Student Center could provide a much needed meeting place for independents," said Ingersoll.

Those who wish to learn more about the Independent Union may sign an interest sheet posted outside Carol Caulkins office in the University Center or may call Erica Ingersoll or Richard Spence.

Prof. recovering from heart attack

Washington and Lee Professor of German B.S. Stephenson is recovering at home from a mild heart attack and will resume teaching winter term.

"His spirits are good, and he's anxious to get back into the classroom as soon as he can," Dean of the College John Elrod said.

Stephenson was taken to Stonewall Jackson Hospital on Oct. 9 and remained there eight days, the first two in intensive care.

The university has hired Lore M. Amlinger, who has taught German at the University of Virginia and Virginia Military Institute, to handle

Stephenson's course load, said Associate Dean of the College Laurent Boetsch.

Meredith to speak at Contact lecture

Contact will present James Meredith as its first speaker of the year. Meredith, the first black person to enter the University of Mississippi, will speak Wednesday in Lee Chapel at 8 p.m.

Meredith entered the U. of M. in 1962 amid protests from much of the nation, including Mississippi Gov. Ross Barnett. Meredith's entrance was seen as a critical point in the civil rights movement.

Meredith currently works for controversial, conservative Sen. Jesse Helms.

D.U.I. case heard in court

A Washington and Lee student who drove his car off the road injuring a fellow student pled guilty in court Wednesday to charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and failure to wear a seatbelt.

Sophomore Brandon Green was fined \$200 for the incident by District Court Judge Joseph E. Hess.

Green drove his car off the road after a country party in September. Passenger Elizabeth Hancock was rushed to a Roanoke hospital by helicopter. She was released several days later and returned to classes.

New I.D. card system is on the way

By Andrew Tucker
Staff Reporter

The University Card project is in full swing and students will soon be able to use their cards to make purchases at the Bookstore, the Co-op, the Dining Hall and the GHQ.

The Business Office has recently expanded in order to meet the operational needs of the University Card system.

John Cuny, an assistant to the Treasurer, said that he hopes students will be using their cards at

the new locations as early as December third. Cuny also said that the ultimate objective of the new system is to allow students the freedom of only carrying their ID Cards when they are on campus. The system is even capable of replacing room keys with the student ID's.

Cuny warns that these are long term goals and that it will be several years before students enjoy these freedoms.

The cards rely on two magnetic stripes for operation. Scanners, similar to the ones currently in operation in the copy machines, read the stripe and deduct an amount from the cards account.

The Treasurer's Office hopes that vendors will pay to have these readers installed in their machines so that students will be able to buy Cokes and one day wash their clothes with their University Cards.

According to Cuny, the University has already spent close to \$100,000 on the new program.

The University is interested in the system because of its flexibility and the luxuries it will give to students. Students will be able to charge their accounts home to their parents. In fact, Cuny warned that "the biggest problem I see is the capability of the students to abuse it."

Tax

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way.

We entreat all W&L Greeks to consider carefully this Greek tax. We encourage houses not receiving university renovations, and sororities, who do not even have houses yet, to follow Chi Psi's lead; this tax certainly does not apply to you.

To houses that are accepting university renovations, consider carefully what you're putting into the Renaissance program and what you're getting back. You might find that multiplying \$400 by the number of brothers in the house, then multiplied

by an indeterminate number of years, alters the leaning of your figures.

And to Mr. Broomall, who says he'll revoke the charter of a house that doesn't comply: To our knowledge, the University has not granted a single charter to any fraternity. Likewise, it is not empowered to take them away. If you end recognition of a chapter, its nationals will very likely consider revoking the charter, but any national fraternity will want a reason why recognition was terminated before it takes any action. An unjustified Greek tax won't cut it as an answer.

Ariel changes format for next issue

By Craig Burke
Staff Reporter

Ariel, the Washington and Lee literary magazine, has changed the process by which it chooses student and faculty submissions in an attempt to provide an unbiased opportunity for all hopeful writers, according to Editor Joel Dyes.

Dyes said that last year's *Ariel* had no real guidelines for choosing submissions, and as a result many talented writers were turned away.

"The only people represented in *Ariel* last year were upperclassmen. This may have been a simple coincidence, but it looked bad. *Ariel* is not the *New Yorker*. It would be great if the magazine is competitive, but it is a student publication and all

classes should be represented," said Dyes.

Members of the *Ariel* staff have been divided into several sub-staffs which include literary, art, public relations, and layout. The literary and art staffs who will decide on submissions have one representative from each class and one from the Law School.

After the Nov. 9 deadline, the members of these two staffs will meet. At this meeting, literary efforts will be divided into six stacks, and art submissions will be divided into three stacks. Each member will be given a stack to rate on a scale of 1 to 5. The members will then rotate their stacks until each member has read all submissions. The scores will then be tallied.

"I hope by instituting this new system there will be a level of input from all classes that will

limit bias. We want students to know their submissions will be judged fairly," said Dyes.

Another change for *Ariel* is the move from 20 pages to 40. Several people have expressed skepticism over whether the magazine can fill 40 pages, but Dyes remains optimistic.

"Some members of the Executive Committee were reluctant to support the extra 20 pages, but compared to other literary magazines, *Ariel* is simply a pamphlet," said Dyes.

People on this committee will push for a greater number of submissions through flyers and letters to the faculty.

Dyes also plans to award a \$300 prize at the end of the year to the best work.

"W&L stresses being the best of the best," said Dyes. "*Ariel* should be no exception."

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Convention in planning stages

By Kimberly Boots
Staff Reporter

In March of 1992, all the raucous politicking and general chaos of a national nominating convention will descend not upon San Francisco or Atlanta, but upon Lexington.

Mock Convention is a W&L tradition which a student experiences only once during his undergraduate education and an event which attracts national attention. Its purpose is to accurately predict the presidential nominee for the party which is currently out of office.

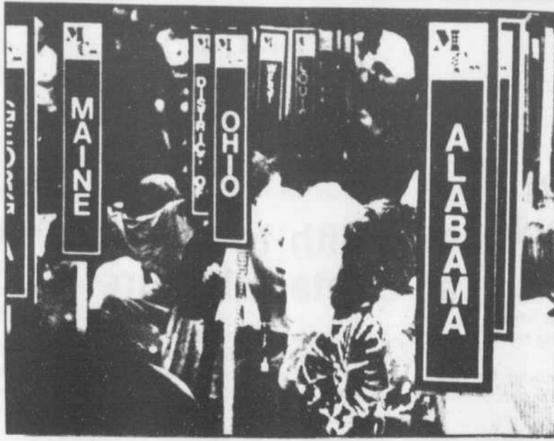
The 1992 Mock Democratic Convention is already in the planning stages. The Executive Committee appointed the Mock Convention Steering Committee last spring and the committee is now preparing for other students to get involved.

"Eighty percent of the student body will be involved in some facet" of the convention, said John Donaldson, Administrative Chairman of the 1992 Mock Convention.

On Nov. 8 there will be two orientation sessions for all interested students, at 7 p.m. and again at 9 p.m., in room 203 of Reid Hall. These sessions will include an overview of Mock Convention history illustrated by a recently produced videotape of past conventions.

Currently, the committee's objectives are to raise money, to fill the various available positions and to plan for the Spring Kickoff Weekend, which will take place in late April or early May of 1991. Convention positions include approximately 15 Committee Chairmen, 55 State Chairmen, delegates to each of the states and people to work in areas such as public relations, facilities, accommodations and memorabilia.

The 1992 Mock Democratic Convention has an 84-year-tradition of authenticity to uphold. The first Mock Convention, held in 1908 as a class project, began the tradition of accuracy when the students correctly nominated William Jennings Bryan



Students gather at the 1988 Mock Convention. File photo.

for the Democratic presidential candidate.

In keeping with that first victory, 14 predictions of 19 conventions have been correct. Since 1948, the convention has chosen incorrectly only once out of ten times and has been right in selecting Dwight D. Eisenhower, Adlai Stevenson, John F. Kennedy, Barry Goldwater, Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, Walter Mondale and Michael Dukakis.

Over the years since the first Mock Convention, the size and character of the event have changed. Conventions were first held in Lee Chapel, then in Doremus Gymnasium, and now in W&L's Warner Center.

The first convention in 1908 was a measure of students' preference for the presidential candidate. Today, personal opinions are set aside and the emphasis is put on mirroring the actual states' preferences.

As the convention has grown in prestige, it has attracted distinguished speakers. In 1960, Harry S. Truman was the keynote speaker. Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter and Barry Goldwater have spoken at Mock Conventions. Many Mock Convention speakers are also present at the actual party conventions. Presidential candidate hopeful Jesse Jackson spoke at the Spring Kickoff of the 1988 Mock Convention. Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young and Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton spoke at the convention in 1988.

The national media has flocked to Lexington for recent conventions, including *Time*, *Newsweek* and *The Washington Post*.

The regimented adherence to the structure of the real nominating conventions has been credited for the Mock Convention's record of successes.

"The idea is to try to emulate a real convention as much as possible," said Donaldson.

Mock Convention will be held in March, before many of the state primaries have been held. The state delegates are apportioned according to the number of voters in each state from the party being emulated. Those delegates do extensive research to determine how their state will vote. They often make last-minute phone calls to party officials before roll call begins at the Mock Convention.

Donaldson said that the research for this convention will be facilitated by sources of information which have recently been made available, such as a hotline which sums up political events and trends daily.

The Spring Kickoff Weekend will mark the beginning of the convention year. A nationally recognized speaker will be present. Until then, and after then, state delegates and chairmen will be busily researching the politics of their respective states in the same manner which has made the W&L Mock Convention such a success in the past.

Demos want new district

By Jason Kelley
Senior Copy Editor

Democrats want to re-draw Virginia House of Delegate district lines in Rockbridge County and Republicans are crying "gerrymander."

The newly formed Committee for Redistricting, made up of local Democratic party members, asked Lexington City Council to endorse a plan that would unite Rockbridge, Bath and Allegheny Counties into a single voting district.

"The fact is we've been divided. With this plan we would be able to speak as a solid county," said George Warren, vice-chairman of the Lexington Democratic Committee.

Local Republican groups vehemently oppose the plan.

"It appears (the Democrats) cannot defeat (Republican) Delegate Vance Wilkins fairly through an election, so they want to defeat him through an unfair gerrymander," said Lexington-Rockbridge Republican Committee Chairman, and Washington and Lee Administration Professor,

Roger Dean.

Rockbridge County was split into two districts by the Democrat-controlled State Assembly after the 1980 census. Wilkins represents the southern half of Rockbridge County, Lynchburg and a part of Bedford County.

Northern Rockbridge County, Lexington, Amherst and a portion of Augusta County are represented by independent Lacey Putney.

The House of Delegates will re-draw districts next year after 1990 census results are in. Each new district must contain approximately 61,000 people so Rockbridge County must combine with other areas to meet the quota.

Edward Henneman, chairman of the Rockbridge County Democratic Committee, said Rockbridge County should be united with Bath and Allegheny Counties because the three are all mainly agricultural areas and have the same types of people in them.

"We're more related to these counties than Bedford and Amherst because we're on the same side of the Blue Ridge," Henneman said. "If

you look at the shopping patterns and the roads...you can see there is more contact between Lexington and Clifton Forge than with Amherst."

Dean disagrees.

"The fact is, the Democrats want to unite us with Covington and Clifton Forge, two industrial cities that are Democratic strongholds," said Dean. "Lexington has nothing in common with these cities. We have no industry; all our contact is with Amherst and Lynchburg."

"The Democrats couldn't defeat Wilkins after they carved up the county in 1981. Now they're trying to gerrymander it back again to try to defeat him," Dean said.

Henneman said he thought the chances of the Democrats' proposal being adopted by the House of Delegates were good.

"Keep in mind, the re-districting will be done by the House of Delegates, which is controlled by the Democrats," he said. "I would hope this plan would produce a Democratic delegate from our area, but it doesn't guarantee it."

Voters go to polls Tuesday

By Joshua Manning
Staff Reporter

Virginia voters will go to the polls on Tuesday to choose both a Senator and a Congressman.

Republican John W. Warner is seeking re-election to the Senate, while Democrat James R. "Jim" Olin is running for re-election to the House of Representatives.

Both are facing only minimal opposition from independent candidates aligned with controversial political activist Lyndon LaRouche.

A 1949 Washington and Lee graduate, Warner has been serving in the Senate since 1978, and has been Virginia's senior senator for eight years. Warner is the ranking Republican on the Armed Services Committee and a member of the Aging, Intelligence, Environment and Public Works Committees.

The Senator postponed a Contact appearance at W&L last month due to Congress' problems passing a national budget. He is scheduled to speak on campus during winter term.

Warner is being challenged by independent Nancy B. Spinaus. She is a member of the executive committee of the National Caucus of Labor Committees. Her husband is currently in prison, having been convicted of conspiracy

to defraud campaign contributors in connection with LaRouche.

Congressman Olin is running for his fifth term as the representative of the 6th district of Virginia. Olin, a Democrat, does not face Republican opposition. His only challenge comes from Independent Gerald E. "Laser" Berg.

Berg was a member of LaRouche's presidential campaign staff in 1988, and is now distributor of the *New Federalist* newspaper.

Virginia voters will also be asked to decide on four proposed state constitutional amendments.

The first would authorize lower tax rates on personal property belonging to persons over 65 years of age or to those people permanently disabled with fixed incomes.

The second would allow proceeds from property forfeited to the Commonwealth due to drug violations to be used to promote law enforcement.

The third would authorize localities to issue bonds against tax revenues for transportation improvements without county voter approval.

The last proposed amendment would allow the state to issue transportation improvement bonds also without voter approval.

Voters must register before election day as Virginia state law prohibits same-day registration.

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Students to be given spring term surveys

By Tracey Thornblade
Staff Reporter

Faculty advisors will distribute spring term evaluation surveys to students during registration next week.

Spring Term Study Committee members Kevin Green, professor of accounting, and Roger Jeans, professor of history, said the committee will use the survey results as part of its four-part evaluation of spring term.

In addition to the student survey, the committee will also evaluate a faculty survey, data obtained from the Registrar's Office and information obtained from other schools. It will submit its final report to Dean of the

College John Elrod in February of next year.

Green said the survey is structured to avoid "opinion shopping" and will concentrate instead on concrete data, such as special academic opportunities in which students participate during the six-week term.

Jeans added that the committee hopes to isolate those features of spring term that are different from the fall and winter terms and then determine if students and faculty utilize those features to their full potential.

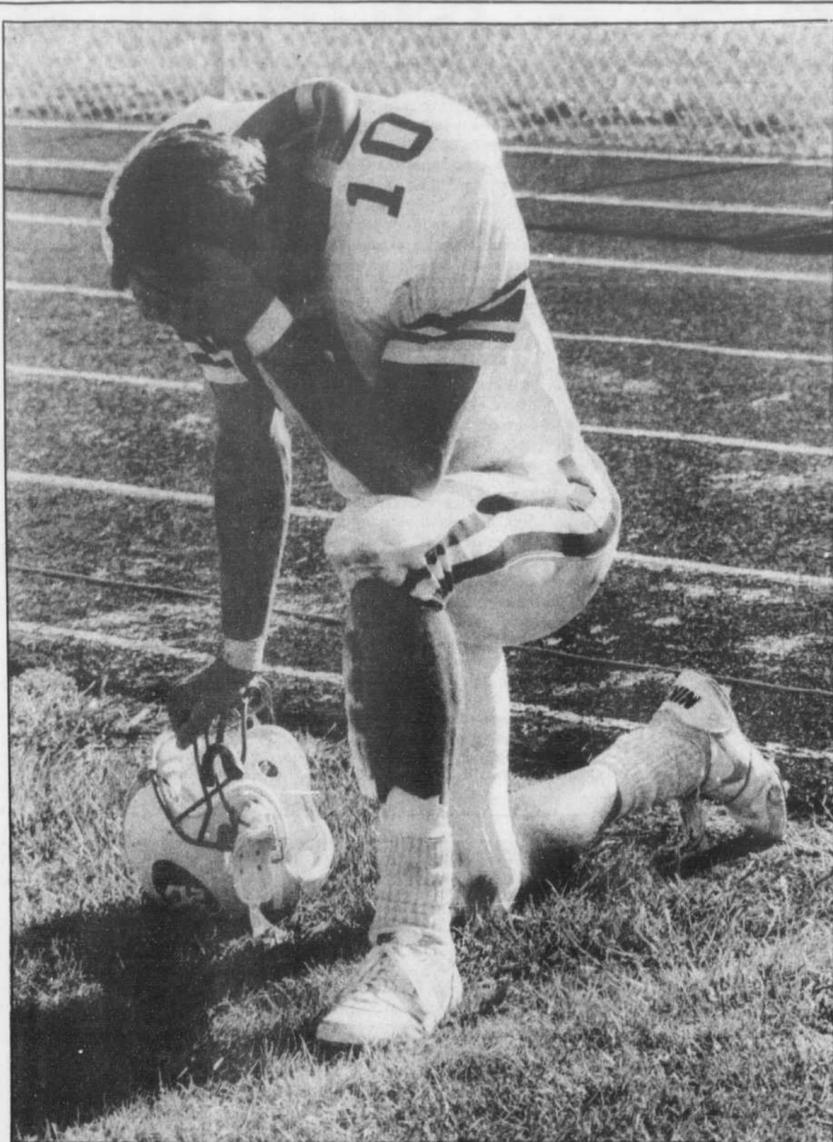
Beth Talkington, a student committee member, said this is the first time the university has surveyed students concerning spring term. She said it is important for students to complete the survey seriously or else

the committee will assume that they do not care about the issue.

Green said the committee will consider student input more heavily if a large number of surveys are returned. Nevertheless, he said the survey results will comprise a large part of the committee's final report.

The committee will have to reconcile any large discrepancies between student and faculty survey results, if any exist, before submitting its report. Its recommendation to Elrod will be consistent with the evidence it compiles.

Committee Chairman H. Thomas Williams said the committee has not yet decided if it will release the student survey results before submitting its final report.



Tough loss

Senior All-American wide receiver Craig Irons kneels on the sideline after a heartbreaking loss to Bridgewater College 28-7. The loss snapped a two-game winning streak for the Generals and brought their record to 3-5. The Generals take on Gullford at home this Saturday. Staff photo by Chris Leiphart.

Rockbridge rape hotline aids victims of assault

By Courtney Hall
Staff Reporter

A rape crisis hotline has been established by the Rockbridge Area Coalition Against Sexual Assault to help local residents in cases of sexual abuse.

"On one hand, we wanted to provide support services for assault victims," said W&L Professor of Art Pamela Simpson, a member of the administrative committee for the newly-formed RACASA. "On the other hand, we want to provide educational programming for the community because we think it is important that old attitudes about rape and sexual assault be changed."

To achieve these goals RACASA, a satellite service of Staunton's People Against Rape, established a rape hotline in June. By dialing 463-RAPE, victims can speak to RACASA volunteers who refer them to the sheriff, hospital or to professional counselors at People Against

Rape.

RACASA volunteers can also serve as companions to victims as they go through legal and medical processes.

The hotline operates 24 hours a day, and has an answering service when calls cannot be directly answered by volunteers. Simpson said that they will soon have a beeper service as well.

The problem, Simpson said, is that the state requires 30 hours of training in order to run a hotline to provide support services. Though 14 RACASA members, including some W&L Law and undergraduate students, are currently in training, they are unable to run the hotline as official crisis counselors until mid-November.

Simpson explained that volunteers now handle calls by reading a type of script, first asking if the caller is in immediate danger. Simpson said the first step is to assess the situation.

She said that not every caller is raped five minutes before they call. A

victim could have been assaulted months or years before, but for some reason the crisis has arisen again.

According to figures, one rape occurs in this country every six minutes. Twenty-two women were raped last year in Rockbridge County alone. And the number of actual rapes is usually 10 percent higher than the number of reported rapes.

According to Simpson, control is a very important part of rape. Control has been removed from victims violently. She said counselors must give them back their control, in terms of letting them make decisions from the start.

The hotline has had three calls in its four months of operation. Simpson said she is not discouraged because "it's going to take a while before people know we're there."

If anyone is interested in becoming involved with RACASA, they can call the hotline or Simpson and request a volunteer application form.

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Soccer falls just short in ODAC finals

By MacGregor Tisdale
Staff Reporter

In as dramatic an afternoon as Liberty Hall Field has ever seen, the Washington and Lee women's soccer team fell just a penalty kick short of winning the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship.

On Saturday, third-seeded W&L lost to top-seeded Roanoke, 2-1. The game lasted nearly four hours with three overtime periods and 12 penalty kicks before the outcome was decided.

Freshman midfielder Angie Carrington scored W&L's lone goal in the second half off a feed from classmate Corinda Hankins.

"In Saturday's game, we came out of the woodwork and came of age," said head coach Janine Hathorn. "We should have won that game, no doubt, because we were the better team on the field."

"Their keeper won the game for them, she made the key saves. Roanoke, for the most part, wasn't even close to the goal on their penalty shots. Kate Stimeling did an incredible job in goal during the shoot-out."

"We dominated the whole game from the second half on," goalkeeper

Kate Stimeling said. "I think we deserved to win the game."

Freshman midfielder Karen Stutzmann agreed that the Generals dominated play. "Our team put heart and soul into it," she said. "We wanted it like you wouldn't believe."

The Generals downed Randolph-Macon for the second time this season, 4-1, in the semifinals. W&L became the first team ever to prevent the Yellow Jackets from reaching the ODAC championship game.

Stutzmann scored one of the final semifinal goals to give her a school record tenth goal for the season. Sophomore midfielder Gimmy Dallam and Hankins recorded unassisted goals and sophomore Susan Moseley scored off a Stutzmann assist.

Stimeling was just minutes away from her record-breaking ninth shut-out before R-MC scored on a penalty kick in the final five minutes.

"We just took it to them and once we scored, there was no looking back," said Hathorn.

"The teams play in the tournament was one of the most inspirational things I have been associated with," continued Hathorn. "The girls represented the University and themselves in a magnificent kind of way and should be proud of themselves. This was seen through team play."



Sophomore Susan Moseley winds up to shoot against Randolph-Macon in the ODAC tournament semi-finals. Moseley's shot found

intensity and enthusiasm." Said junior midfielder Morgan Warner, "We played great and had a real strong showing. I think it was a great team effort. We played with

the net, and the Generals beat R-MC 4-1 to move into the final against Roanoke College. Staff photo by Chris Leiphart.

W&L was 8-2. Their was no question that hosting the tournament was a big advantage for W&L.

"Our fans and supporters were watching us and it meant a great deal. Home field advantage was a key for us in the ODAC tournament," said Hathorn.

Generals end season with another win over Keydets

By John Laney
Associate Sports Editor

The Washington and Lee men's soccer team ended its season in familiar fashion against a familiar opponent.

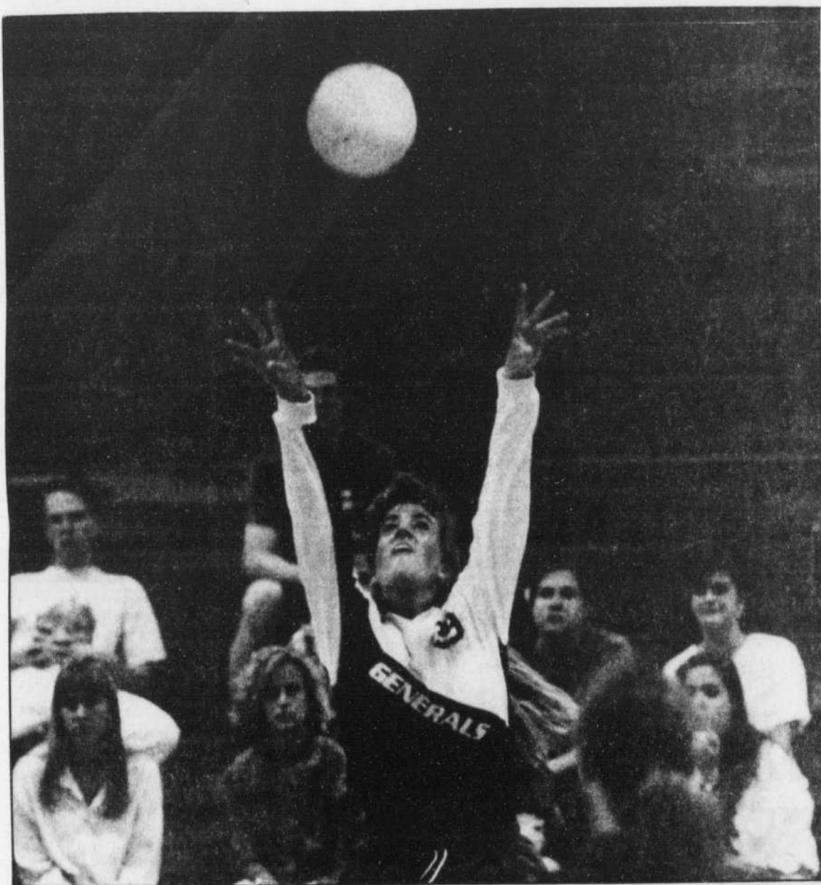
For the ninth year in row, W&L beat neighboring Virginia Military Institute, 2-1, on Tuesday.

In the second half, VMI mounted a brief rally, sparked by the support of close to 1,000 noisy cadets who lined the field dressed in battle gray.

The Keydets made the score 2-1 on a header off a crossing pass. Fortunately for the Generals, VMI missed several opportunities to even the score, and they escaped with a narrow win.

Sophomore Mike McFarland, the ODAC's top scorer, again lifted the Blue Marlins over the Generals by recording two assists and scoring a goal. McFarland scored the winning goal at W&L on Homecoming Saturday in Virginia Wesleyan's 2-1 overtime win.

"Saturday's game had a disappointing result," Piranian said. "It was the low point of the season,



Setting it up

Sophomore Fran Ascher sets the ball in a match earlier this season in the Warner Center. Ascher and the rest of her W&L teammates will look to set up an ODAC title this weekend. W&L photo by W. Patrick Hinely.



David Hooker

Playing at VMI, just a few hundred yards from the W&L campus, the Generals seized a 2-0 lead by halftime.

The first goal came when sophomore sweeper Greg Williams delivered a free kick from the left side toward the right post. As the Keydet defense watched the ball, sophomore forward Reid Murphy hit a running head shot into the net. The Generals scored again when sophomore midfielder Chase Davis scored from 18 yards out after he dribbled through several VMI defenders at the top of the penalty box.



Greg Williams

"We played pretty well in the first half," said head coach Rolf Piranian. "But we got rattled in the second half when the corps came out. We played with a lack of stability and toughness, and we hung on just well enough to survive."

Yet, in another sense, the ending for the Generals was a bit different from last season.

W&L, last year's champions of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, was eliminated from this year's tournament by top-seeded Virginia Wesleyan, 3-0, in Saturday's semifinals.



Reid Murphy

which was preceded by one of our better efforts."

That effort was W&L's 2-1 overtime win against Hampden-Sydney in the ODAC quarterfinals, which gave Piranian his 100th career coaching victory.

The Generals, finishing the 1990 season at 7-8-2 (3-2-1 in the ODAC), had four players named to the all-conference team. Williams and Murphy were picked for the first team, while junior midfielder David Hooker and sophomore midfielder Mike Mitchell were second-team selections.

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Bridgewater running too much for W&L

By Jay Plotkin
Sports Editor

In recent history, whenever Bridgewater and Washington and Lee have teed the football up on a Saturday afternoon in October, things have gone down to the wire.

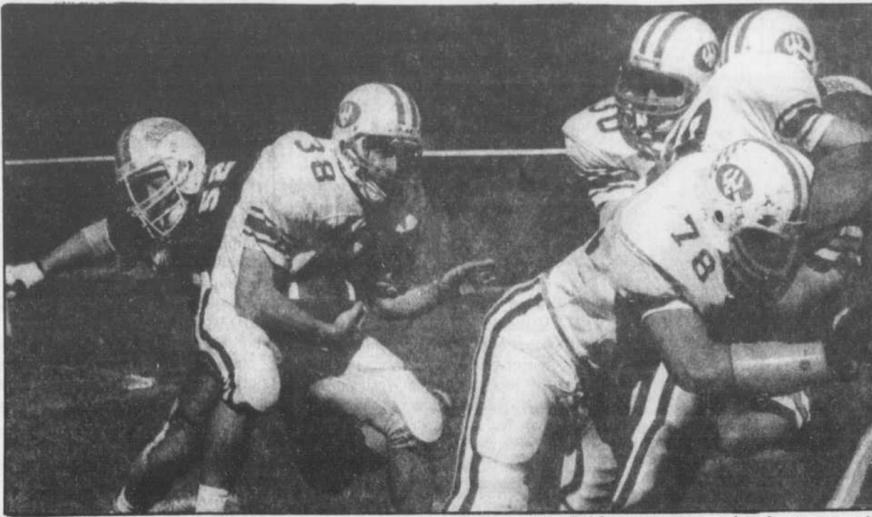
In 1988, the Generals rallied in the fourth quarter and scored with :32 left to pull out a 14-10 win on Jopson Field in Bridgewater. In 1989, W&L again rallied in the fourth quarter only to fall a two-point conversion short of victory in Lexington.

So naturally, it would follow that the 1990 match-up should provide more of the same—another close game decided in the final minute.

But the Bridgewater Eagles had other plans. They came into the game 1-6 looking to turn their season around with a win over W&L, which had come into the game winners of their last two.

The Eagles set the tone early. After W&L stopped Bridgewater on its first possession and forced a punt, the Eagles' defense went to work.

Steve Grabeel's punt rolled out of bounds at the W&L nine-yard line, and two plays later, on third down and six, All-Old Dominion Athletic Conference defensive lineman Mike



Senior Mason Pope finds the running tough against Bridgewater. Bridgewater proved to be too much for Pope and the Generals, prevailing 28-7. Staff photo by Chris Leiphart.

Fitzmeyer sacked junior quarterback Fred Reneker at the W&L two-yard line.

Sophomore Bob Ehret's punt from the back of the end zone went out of bounds at the W&L 20-yard line, and three plays later, Mike Whittle

put the Eagles in front 7-0 with a 14-yard scoring run.

After the touchdown, both defenses kicked in, keeping the game at 7-0 until late in the first half. With close to seven minutes remaining, Bridgewater faced a third down and

10 from its own 30-yard line.

Instead of passing the ball, the Eagles ran an option play. Ronnie Howard took the pitch, made a cut and was knocked down 20-yards later at midfield with an Eagles' first down.

"That was a big play," said W&L head coach Gary Fallon. "If we don't let them get the first down on that play, we get the ball back with good field position. Maybe we score and maybe we don't, but we go into the locker room only down by seven and not 14."

With a first down at midfield, BC ran the ball 11 straight times, converting a fourth-down and one along the way, to the W&L four-yard line. Quarterback Matt Puryear finished the drive with a four-yard touchdown run on a fake up the middle and a bootleg around the left end with 36 seconds left in the half.

Said Fallon, "We're down 14-0 at this point, but we're not out of the game. We just needed to come out in the second half and make a big play happen for us."

Instead of W&L making a big play, it was Bridgewater. On the fourth play of the second half, Mike Redmon put W&L in a 21-0 hole with a 57-yard touchdown run down the middle of the field.

"We just got out-coached on that play," said Fallon. "We expected them to do one thing, so we called a defense to stop that. But they did something else, and our players weren't in position to stop it."

W&L narrowed the gap at the

beginning of the fourth quarter after the defense forced the lone Bridgewater turnover of the day. Freshman cornerback Tom Mandia recovered a fumble by Howard, giving the Generals the ball at midfield.

Reneker promptly hit senior split end Craig Irons for a gain of seven. Senior tailback Mason Pope then carried the ball for 10, 11 and seven yards on successive plays to get the ball to the BC 19-yard line, where Reneker found sophomore tight end Josh Levinson for a touchdown.

The touchdown came at the 11:21 mark of the fourth quarter, leaving W&L with enough time to mount a comeback as in previous years, but the Eagles hung tough.

After the Generals defense stopped Bridgewater and forced a punt with 6:37 left, a comeback looked like it was very much in the works. But Grabeel's punt rolled out of bounds at the W&L two-yard line, and on the next play, Reneker was intercepted, ending the W&L threat.

The Eagles scored once more for the final 28-7 margin of victory, ending W&L's two game win streak. On the day, the Eagles ran for 380 yards on 70 carries. Both Redmon and Howard went over the 100 yard

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Sophomore Scott Strader looks to pass the ball in a game against Richmond earlier this season. Strader will lead W&L against Richmond again Saturday afternoon at 5 p.m. W&L photo by W. Patrick Hinely.

Polo wins two in Classic

By John Neumann
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee water polo team hosted the W&L Fall Classic last weekend, and the Generals delighted the faithful at Cy Twombly Pool with a strong showing.

W&L won twice before losing to a Navy club that is ranked in the East, 12-9. The Generals earned victories over Lynchburg, 14-9, and Johns Hopkins, 16-9, improving their record to 12-8. The Generals also defeated the Navy "B" squad in an exhibition match.

"I feel we're getting our second wind and the setback of not having our starting goalie is behind us," said head coach Page Remillard.

Remillard also said the team has

found the level of play that they had at mid-season, when the Generals were on an eight-game win streak.

That the Generals hung tough to Navy's "A" team before losing and beating the Navy "B" team are indications of how well the team is playing, said Remillard.

The Generals may have found a solution to the goalie problem they sustained when sophomore P.J. Waicus sustained a season-ending eye injury.

Sophomore Andrew Pearson continued to play goalie in the deep end of the pool, but Remillard used junior Scott Bronstein in the shallow end. This allowed Pearson to concentrate on playing in the deep end while Bronstein handled things in the shallow end.

Remillard said he has no plans of changing that situation for this week.

end's Southern Conference championships, held in Cy Twombly Pool.

The W&L season will reach its most important point this Saturday when the Generals face the Richmond Spiders for the seventh time this season.

The two top teams that emerge from the Southern Water Polo Conference Championships usually receive spots in the Eastern Championships. Therefore, in this semifinal match-up, the loser will not participate in post-season play.

The other semi-final will pit Arkansas-Little Rock versus Dayton. The championship match will be played on Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. followed by the consolation match at 1:00 p.m.

The match-ups for this weekend

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Generals shine in October

Women's soccer team named Athletes-of-the-Month

By John Laney
Associate Sports Editor

Even though the Washington and Lee women's soccer team was narrowly edged out of first place in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference tournament, the Generals finished the 1990 season with quite a few firsts.

By the end of October, W&L had its first winning season, its highest win total, its highest finish in the ODAC and its first appearance in the ODAC title game.

And the list goes on. This month the Generals became the first team ever to prevent Randolph-Macon from reaching the ODAC championship game, they recorded their first hat tricks and they had a player set a record for goals in a season.

For their achievements, the Washington and Lee women's soccer team has been named *The Ring-tum Phi's* Athletes-of-the-Month for October.

Before the season began, head coach Janine Hathorn said the team had set a number of goals: finish first or second in the ODAC, outscore their opponents, have a .500 record and beat Randolph-Macon.

"We played with our hearts and we accomplished every goal we set," said freshman goaltender Kate Stimeling. "It was just a great season."

On Saturday, top-seeded Roanoke beat third-seeded W&L in an ODAC championship game decided after 12 penalty kicks, which only says that Roanoke was just a bit more successful in making shots from 12 yards away.

"The only difference between us and Roanoke was that we weren't awarded a plaque," said freshman midfielder Karen Stutzmann.

This season, W&L scored twice as many goals as they allowed, outscoring their op-



Freshman Karen Stutzmann is about to score a goal in Friday's 4-1 win over Randolph-Macon. Stutzmann was one of many stars on the women's soccer team. Staff photo by Chris Lelphart.

ponents, 32-16. Offensively, two freshmen scored 17 of the Generals' goals. Stutzmann scored a school-record ten goals and the team's first hat trick, while Corinda Hankins had seven goals and the Generals' second hat trick. Yet, that only tells half of the

story. At the other end of the field, the W&L defense, anchored by juniors Ashley Hurt and Nancy Mitchell and Stimeling (who had eight shutouts and made 138 saves), allowed only 0.89 goals per game.

The Generals also beat Randolph-Macon twice in October, and they finished the year with a record of 11-6 (5-2 in the ODAC).

Just three years ago, W&L was 2-8-3 and last year the record was 6-9-3. Why the sudden turnaround? What made the difference this year?

"We learned how to believe in ourselves and we became confident that we could win," said Hathorn. "There were only two occasions when we couldn't pull ourselves together this season (a 1-0 loss to Virginia Wesleyan and 1-0 overtime loss to Messiah), and that's incredible."

For the Generals, a mixture of talent, depth and desire provided the formula for success.

"We added skill in the places we needed it and we also raised our skill level a great deal," said Hathorn.

The arrival of a strong freshman class, along with 19 letter winners from last year's team gave the Generals depth at nearly every position.

"To see the program building during the past three seasons has been great. But this year we had talent to go along with our desire," said junior midfielder Morgan Warner. "We had more depth this year than ever, and that made all the difference in the world."

With only three seniors on the team this year, W&L will return its entire defense and the heart of its offensive attack next season.

"We have a wonderful outlook," said Hathorn. "The challenge is not to have the typical sophomore season that could follow a season such as this one."

Stimeling made a loftier prediction.

"Next year will be the year. Definitely. No second place."

But next year is next year. For now, the W&L women's soccer team can revel in the success of the present.

Volleyball set to spike ODAC tourney foes

By Chris Simon
Staff Reporter

The Washington and Lee women's volleyball team finished their regular season Tuesday night with an easy win over St. Mary's.

A non-conference loss to Shenandoah earlier in the evening did not tarnish a 6-3 Old Dominion Athletic Conference record, good enough for a third place conference finish and an opportune seeding in this weekend's ODAC tournament.

The Generals finished in a third-place tie with Roanoke and Emory and Henry. The seeding was chosen through a lottery done by conference call with the athletic directors of schools involved.

The lottery placed W&L with Sweet Briar and Eastern Mennonite in the first round this Friday night at Harrisonburg. W&L needs only one win to advance to the championship semifinals. W&L defeated Sweet Briar in three straight games earlier this year.

"We were really happy with our seed," said senior co-captain Lisa Jay.

The Generals spent their last week before the tournament working on serving and returning serve. Getting the ball to their setter Jay, who was

named to the All-ODAC team last year, will be a critical factor to their tournament success. Jay leads the team with 424 assists.

Junior co-captain Mena McGowin and sophomore Leslie Hess will provide the solid hitting up front while junior Marcy Brown can concentrate on the weakside attack.

Defensively, head coach Susan Dittman stressed blocking fundamentals, a facet of the Generals' game which improved this week against St. Mary's and Shenandoah. The blocking must peak during the tournament, she said.

With plenty of rest and no injuries, Dittman expects her team to reach the title game. The Generals are hoping to avenge ODAC season losses to Eastern Mennonite and Emory and Henry, while tourney favorite Bridgewater remains the team to beat.

For seniors Jay and Connie Pappas, original members of a squad that has risen to championship caliber in four short years, this weekend is the chance to bring a championship banner home to the Warner Center.

"We're looking to end the season with a win," said McGowin. "We feel real confident that we can win the tournament, it's just a matter of going out and doing it."

Generals set to explode in cross country meet

From Staff Reports

The Washington and Lee men's and women's cross country teams head into this weekend's Old Dominion Athletic Conference championships in fine form after strong performances at home this past Saturday.

The W&L women defeated Eastern Mennonite for the second time this year. The Generals had three runners in the top five spots to win 27-30. Sophomore Susie Wootton won her second straight race, finishing in 23:11.

"It was a real nailbiter on Satur-

day," said head coach Jim Phemister. "We'll have to run well to win ODACs, but we've shown we can do that."

The Generals, 5-0 in the ODAC (8-1 overall), will go into Saturday's ODAC championships as the favorite.

Said junior Jodi Herring, "We're going into the championships with a positive attitude. We've got some people injured, but everybody is working hard and we're ready to run fast."

On the men's side, junior Charles Edwards led a trio of top finishers as the Generals topped Hampden-Sydney.

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were determined two weeks ago at the seeding tournament. The Generals are seeded third and Richmond earned the second seed. The Generals lost that weekend to both Richmond and top-seeded UA-LR. Dayton is seeded fourth. The Generals' tangle with Richmond Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. will be the rubber match for the two teams this season. Each has won thrice, one each in overtime, and each team has scored 66 goals in the six meetings.

Remillard said that the Generals have made a few changes in their game plan and the team is adjusting and playing well right now. The Generals will try to take advantage of the

fact that they have faced Richmond so often by making changes to disadvantage the Spiders.

The last time the two teams met in Twombly Pool, W&L ran away with a six-goal win, but Remillard is expecting nothing of the sort on Saturday.

Both Remillard and the players said that fan support is critical and hope that fans will bring their parents to the game, which they say will probably last a little over one hour, before heading out to dinner.

"We can't emphasize enough the home field advantage," Remillard said. "We plan on playing at 11:00 on Sunday."

FOOTBALL

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mark. "We had our defenders where they were supposed to be," said Fallon. "They just couldn't get away from the Bridgewater blockers."

W&L's defense was again led by its linebackers. Sophomore Lyle Smith was in on 18 tackles, while junior Trey Cox chipped in 15.

The Generals, 3-5, will take on Guilford this Saturday on Wilson Field. Guilford, which is not eligible for the ODAC title this year, has

defeated everyone in the ODAC except W&L.

"Guilford is a good football team that's beaten everyone in our league," said Fallon. "They have an outstanding quarterback and good receivers. We will have to prepare well and get the loss out of our minds."

Kickoff for the Parents' Weekend clash is set for 1:30 p.m.

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17-54. Sophomore Bo Hannah and junior Lee Parker finished second and third for W&L.

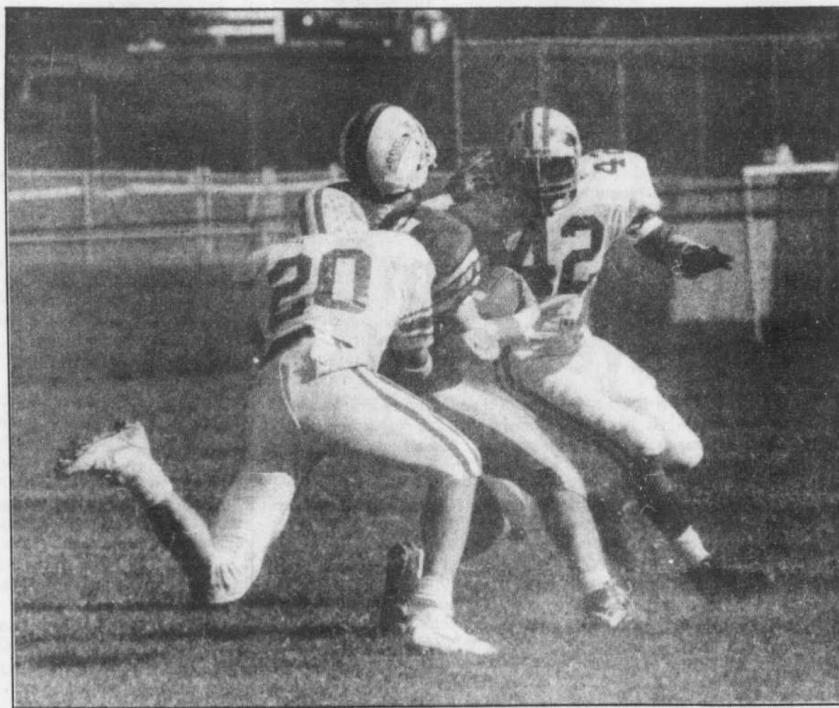


Lee Parker

"Twelve of our 14 runners ran personal records," said head coach John Tucker. "We are coming along nicely as we get ready for the ODAC championships. Next week should be interesting."

The men finished the year with their best record since 1986, and they will head to Lynchburg for the ODAC meet as the only team with a chance to unseat Lynchburg as the ODAC champion.

Said senior co-captain Kennon Walthall, "It's like the calm before the storm. We're getting psyched up for Saturday to go off and unleash ourselves on the course. All eight guys need to run the race of their life if we are going to win."



Not so fast

Senior Clark Wight (20) pulls down a Bridgewater running back from behind as sophomore Donald Dempsey (42) closes in. Bridgewater topped W&L 28-7 last Saturday. Staff photo by Chris Leiphart.

Soccer reams teams and fans with stupid system

By Jay Plotkin
Sports Editor

Call me crazy, but didn't the finish to last Saturday's Old Dominion Athletic Conference women's soccer game strike you as being anti-climactic?

Roanoke, ranked 19th in the nation led 1-0 until freshman Angie Carrington tied the game for Washington and Lee. Things stayed tied after 90 minutes of regulation play. Things were still tied after two 15-minute overtime periods. And things were still tied after two 15-minute sudden death overtime periods.

A fairly tight match, wouldn't you say? Let them play it out, you say? Soccer says nope, though. It's not just the ODAC. It's not the NCAA. It's FIFA, the governing body of international soccer.

If you remember anything about the World Cup, you remember that the World Cup is the most watched sporting event in the world. So you might think that FIFA could come up with a decent way to break ties.

Here's how things work now. A regulation game is 90 minutes long. In case of a tie, teams play two 15-minute overtime periods. If the game is still tied after the two periods, then teams play two 15-minute sudden death periods. (Obviously, if a team scores in the first sudden death period, the game ends.)

Throughout the World Cup, questions were raised about replacing the shoot-out. A shoot-out consists five penalty kicks by each team. The team who converts the most 12-yard kicks is awarded the tie-breaking goal and the win. Obviously, after 150 hard-fought minutes of soccer, to decide the game on penalty kicks is anti-climactic. The shoot-out is also not indicative of the ability of the teams.

Said W&L head women's soccer coach Jan Hathorn, "The shoot-out has always been a problem because it is not a true indication of the game — it is an indication of the goalies. Not to take anything away from goalies, but the shoot-out is an aberration of the game and its is unfair."

Hathorn is a member of the NCAA Division III South Regional Advisory Committee. She said that, under the current system, it is possible for teams with strong goalies to coast through the overtime periods to get to the shoot-out.

To do that is to make a mockery of soccer. One alternative is to simply do away with the shoot-out and play until there is a winner, as they do in other sports.

From a fans point of view, seeing the game won on penalty kicks didn't provide a true winner.

Said senior Craig Hatfield, who played goalie at Fallston High in Maryland, "The game needs to be won on the field, not in the goalie box. It doesn't prove who is the better team to win on penalty kicks. That's a one-dimensional part of the game."

Hathorn suggested that in place of the shoot-out, let the teams play it out, but shorten the overtime periods from 15 minutes to seven and a half. "That keeps the pressure on the players and decides the game on the field, where it should be decided," she said.

Hatfield said the game should have been called a tie after the overtime periods and the teams should have played again a day later.

"Why not just play it over?" he said. "The teams would be rested. Shoot-outs weren't used in the regular season, why should they be used in the playoffs. Just play again the day after. I think the girls would have wanted it that way."

Hathorn has a point. It is unreasonable to ask players to play for four hours — if that's how long it takes. Cut the length of the overtimes in half and play until someone scores. Everybody will be happy.

After all, a true winner will be decided that way — not just the players, but the game itself.

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Time to clean your room

THE SBAR SIDE

By Jon Sbar

Once again it's Parents' Weekend. A time of joyous reunions, university festivities and deception as students endeavor to convince their parents that they have been studying diligently, sleeping regularly, eating right, attending class and wearing clean clothes. In other words, students try to create the general impression that they are living like dignified human beings and not some nocturnal beast who survives on frozen yogurt, nachos and beer, changes his sheets twice a semester and lives in a house that was recently declared unfit and unsafe for human habitation.

Looking at my room, I can see that getting ready for Parent's Weekend is not going to be an easy task. My carpet (which I cannot see) is covered with dirty, mildewed clothing, old beer cans, greasy pizza boxes, black banana peels and dead crickets. An unidentified strain of bacteria is growing on one of the walls and the ceiling is completely covered with thick spider webs. My desk is lined with cups filled with fermenting liquids and fungus. My room looks bad but what I'm really worried about is the stench. I don't know what it is or where it's coming from but something in my room smells terrible. Perhaps some rodent indigenous to Virginia snuck into my room and died and what I'm smelling now is a rotting carcass.

On second thought, it must be something else.

I've smelled rotting carcass before and this is much worse. I wonder if the Lexington Volunteer Fire Department would mind coming over to wash out my room with one of those high-powered fire hoses.

I wish I had time to clean out my room before my parents arrive. Unfortunately, I will be frantically occupied looking for bank statements and withdrawal sheets in an effort to balance my checkbook, thereby avoiding the wrath of my mother. She seems to have grown weary of my kamikaze "worry when it bounces" dismal antics and recently informed me that if I don't balance my checkbook this year she will donate my vital organs to science.

You know, every year I discuss Parent's Weekend from the student's perspective and depict my parents, who are genuinely nice people, unfairly. Maybe it's time I presented the other side of the issue. How do you think your parent's feel? They cared for you in your infancy, tolerated you in high school and worked all those years so that they could send you to college and when they visit on Parent's Weekend all you want to do is drop them off early at their hotel so you don't miss out on any parties. Talk about ingratitude! How do you think my parents feel after spending all that time and effort raising a child only to have him go off to college to write smart alecky humor columns about the family.

Actually, most students do know how their parents feel. For years they've been hearing fatherly lectures that began shortly after the cutting of the umbilical cord. I'm not really sure when

fathers acquire these vital lecture skills, but they all have it. The most popular fatherly topic is the infamous "you don't know how easy you have it" lecture, reflectively given by any father who hears his son or daughter complaining about something frivolous like the fact that the family does not have cable television.

Here's my Dad's version of this lecture recited verbatim because I have heard it on so many occasions I could not help memorizing it. Lecture no. 17 (You don't know how easy you have it): *You think you have it tough. When I was a kid I had to walk eight miles through snow barefoot every morning just to get to school. My family was so poor that we didn't even have a stove. The only time we could have grilled cheese sandwiches was in summer when the sun was hot enough to melt the cheese onto the bread. And the only reason we had the cheese was because Dad worked nights as a spittoon cleaner at the grocery store and they used to give him the moldy cheese free. Course, we didn't mind the mold on the cheese because by the time we chomped through the bacteria on the bread we hardly noticed it. Everyday after school and on the weekends me and my brothers worked in the coal mines. To this day I still cough coal dust. Our house didn't have hot water or plumbing and Mom was always sick.*

I can't wait until I have kids to lecture. I'll tell them how tough it was for me working my way through college as a chimney sweeper. In the meantime I think I will get back to balancing my checkbook. I hope you have an enjoyable Parent's Weekend.

Choir and conductor to perform in Lee Chapel Parents' Weekend

From the W&L News Office

The American Boychoir will participate in a Sesquicentennial celebration in Lee Chapel and guest conductor Florentino Dias will lead the University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra in their first performance of the season this Saturday.

The afternoon program will include Renaissance motets, and contemporary pieces. Other selections to be performed are Japanese, Korean, and American folk songs, and a commissioned piece, "Angels Are Everywhere," by Daniel Pinkham. The program will conclude with a "Medley of Favorite Songs" by Stephen Foster and "Stars and Stripes Forever" by John Phillip Sousa.

The choir is composed of students from the American Boychoir School, North America's only nonsectarian boarding choir school, located in Princeton, N.J. Sixty-five boys, aged nine to 14, from 21 states and from Canada, attend the school for a full scholastic program including in-depth music training.

The Boychoir has sung with major orchestras under the direction of maestros Toscanini, Ormandy, Bernstein, Mehta, Munch, Leinsdorf, Previn, Wolff, Williams, Levine, and DeCormier. The choir has made over 40 recordings and has appeared on national television and performed in concert halls across the country.

The choir is conducted by James Litton, one of America's best known choral conductors. He is also director

of music at Saint Bartholomew's Church in New York. He has conducted opera and major works for chorus and orchestra, made several recordings, is the editor of two books and four collections of liturgical music, and has published more than 50 articles in various professional journals.

Litton has presented seminars and workshops at colleges and universities throughout the U.S. and in Europe, Africa, and Asia. He is a graduate of Westminster Choir College with a bachelor's and master's degree in music, and has done additional study at Canterbury Cathedral in England.

Dias is founder and music director of the Orquestra Filharmonica de Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He holds a degree in clarinet and conducting

from Rio de Janeiro Federal University and a graduate degree in conducting from Washington University

Pieces to be performed in Saturday's concert are Symphony No. 4 (Italian) by Felix Mendelssohn, Symphony No. 25, K. 183 by Mozart, and Preludio from Bachianas Brasileiras No. 4 by Brazilian composer Heitor Villa-Lobos.

The University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra is composed of Washington and Lee students and local area musicians and is sponsored by W&L and Fine Arts in Rockbridge. F.A.I.R. is sponsored in part by the Virginia Commission for the Arts.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- Parents' Weekend.
- All Day: University Library Book Sale, Main Lobby (through Nov. 7).
- Noon: Brown bag lunch with Barbara Weinberg for interested students. W&L Alumni House.
- 4 p.m.: MATH COLLOQUIUM: "Cross Stitching, Graph Theory, and a Least Path Problem," Barbara Flajnik, Wittenberg University, Room 6, Robinson Hall. Refreshments at 3:30 in Room 2. Public invited.
- 5 p.m.: CHEMISTRY SEMINAR: Morgan E. Warner '92 and Jay C. Ferti '92, Room 401, Howe Hall. Refreshments at 4:30 in Room 402. Public invited.
- 8 p.m.: PARENTS' WEEKEND CONCERT: W&L Choral Ensembles, Lee Chapel. Public invited.
- AWAY ATHLETICS: VOLLEYBALL: ODAC Tournament.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- Parents' Weekend.
- All Day: WATER POLO: Southern Conference Championships. Twombly Pool.
- 1:30 p.m.: FOOTBALL: Generals vs. Guilford College, Wilson Field.
- 8 p.m.: PARENTS' WEEKEND CONCERT: University-Rockbridge Symphony Orchestra with Florentino Dias, guest conductor Lee Chapel. Public invited.
- AWAY ATHLETICS: CROSS COUNTRY (M&W): ODAC Championships.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- All Day: WATER POLO: Southern Conference Championships. Twombly Pool.
- 3 p.m.: CONCERT GUILD: American Boychoir, Lee Chapel. Public invited.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- Registration for Winter Term 1991 begins.
- 4:30 p.m.: FACULTY MEETING: Northern Auditorium, University Library.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- Election Day.
- 1 p.m.: EAST ASIAN STUDIES LECTURE: "World View of New Religions in Japan," Paul Groner, professor of Buddhist Studies, University of Virginia. Northern Auditorium, University Library. Public invited.
- 1 - 5 p.m.: CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PLACEMENT: Blue Ridge Pre-Law, University Center. Last date to register for Dec. 8 GRE exam. CD&P Office.
- 4:30 p.m.: LECTURE: "Vaclav Havel: The Moral Conscience of International Politics?" James W. Sire, author, senior editor, InterVarsity Press. Northern Auditorium, University Library. Public invited.
- 7 - 11 p.m.: CHESS CLUB: Basement Gameroom. Public invited.
- 7:30 p.m.: CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP LECTURE: "Why Should Anyone Believe Anything At All?" James W. Sire, Lee Chapel. Public invited.

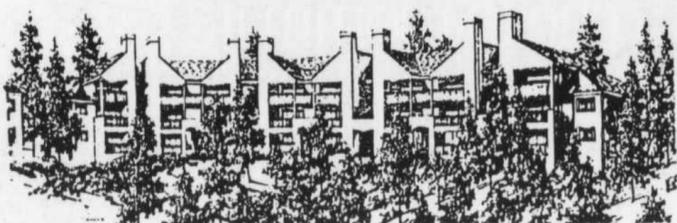
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 5 p.m.: BIOLOGY LECTURE: "Does Water Stress in Plants Cause Insect Outbreaks?" Edward F. Conner, University of Virginia, Room 305, Parnly Hall. Refreshments at 4:30.



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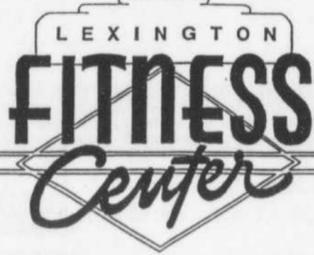
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