

# Homecoming 1990 a supplement to The Ring-tum Phi



## Smithereens will play W&L Friday

From News Releases

Despite rumors that the progressive rock band The Smithereens would cancel its performance at the Pavilion Friday night, the band will play to W&L crowd with doors opening at 8 p.m. and music beginning by 9 p.m.

According to Student Activities Board Chairwoman Katie Duwell, the band's lead singer, Pat DiNizio underwent an emergency appendectomy last Tuesday, which led the band to cancel several concerts, including performances at James Madison University, and the University of Virginia.

Duwell confirmed that the band will definitely come and its members were resting up before the performance, "so they'll have a lot of energy for the concert."

The band's most recent album, *Smithereens II*, has climbed the charts by continuing the group's tradition of rock and pop which the *New Trouser Press* calls "impossibly winsome memorable and rapturous without sacrificing any rock 'n' roll energy or guts." The album includes everything from the group's hard-rocking first single, "A Girl Like You," to the ballad "Kiss Your Tears Away," to the fuzzed-out "Blues Before and After."

"We wanted to try to get a more in-your-face guitar sound, and we wanted everything crisper

sounding, louder and more present," said bassist Mike Mesaros. "We've always been fairly heavy and raunchy live, and we wanted to capture a little more of that on record."

The Smithereens were born many years ago in Carteret, New Jersey, where Mesaros, guitarist Jim Babjak and drummer Dennis Diken were elementary school friends. Pat DiNizio, from nearby Scotch Plains, New Jersey, met the other three through a classified ad in a local music paper.

"Dennis, Jim and I were more like Kinks freaks," said Mesaros. "Pat was more like Black Sabbath. But we had a lot in common: the Who, Beatles, Buddy Holly. The same roots, but with branches going in different directions -- which makes for a strong combination."

The Smithereens were signed to Enigma Records in October, 1985, one week after mailing out demo cassettes with only their name and phone number included. Their album, *Especially for You*, made Billboard's year-end Top 100 list and yielded several radio favorites.

With their timeless, effervescent pop and radio-friendly sound of six strings crunching, The Smithereens offer a delightful recipe no true dedicated follower of rock could possibly turn down.

Tickets for The Smithereens concert will be on sale tomorrow for \$7, and \$10 at the door.

## Special weekend planned

By Melinda Conkling and Pamela Kelley

In addition to the traditional football game, Washington and Lee University has scheduled a variety of activities for Homecoming weekend, including alumni receptions, concerts, lectures, an alumni career symposium, a panel discussion on global economics, and athletic contests.

According to Assistant Alumni Relations Director Rob Mish the university's aim this year was to provide Homecoming activities that would appeal to both alumni and students. Mish said he regards Homecoming as a fall W&L reunion for all alumni.

"The things that make Wash-

ington and Lee special for those who have been out 60 years are very similar to the things that make it special to those who have been out only six years," he said.

Two reunion groups will officially gather on campus this weekend. The Five Star Generals, alumni who graduated from W&L 50 or more years ago, will be honored at a dinner in Evans Dining Hall Friday evening. About 65 Five-Star Generals are expected to return.

Members of the four most recently graduated classes will gather for a Cluster Reunion, a program that was initiated two years ago to give the younger alumni an opportunity to gather on campus prior to their five-year spring reunions.

Friday's activities will begin at 12 noon with a memorial service in Lee Chapel honoring the 120th anniversary of General Lee's death. At 12:10 p.m. Thomas Morgan Oppenheim, Law Professor at the George Washington University, will deliver the annual John Randolph Tucker Lecture in the Moot Courtroom of Lewis Hall. His topic will be "In Defense of Legal Education."

A panel discussion will be held in duPont Hall at 2 p.m. on "The New Global Economies: How will America Compete?." Panel members include W&L Politics Professor Craig Mc Caughrin, Economics Professor Bruce Herrick, who will comment  Please see HOMECOMING page 6

## Ceremony to honor Lee

By Pamela Kelley Supplement Editor

A memorial service honoring General Robert E. Lee will be held at noon Friday, October 12 in Lee Chapel. The ceremony will mark the death of Gen. Lee, who served as president of, then, Washington College from 1865 to 1870.

Beginning at 9:30 a.m., the time of Lee's death in 1870, the bells in the Chapel will toll 19 times, the equivalent of a 19-gun salute. At noon, the Liberty Hall Volunteers, a group of W&L students and employees interested in Civil War re-enactment will march from Washington Hall on the W&L campus to Lee Chapel for the memorial service.

The featured speaker at the memorial service will be George E. Goodwin '39, a 1948 Pulitzer Prize winner and senior consultant for Manning, Selvage, and Lee, Inc., of Atlanta. The topic of Goodwin's speech will be "The Legacies of Robert E. Lee."

Goodwin says rather than focus on Lee's death or life, he plans to focus on the ideals and traditions Lee instilled in the Army of Northern Virginia, the Confederate States of America, and W&L.

Robert Peniston, director of

Lee Chapel and Joan Brooks, vice-president of the Virginia Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, will also speak.

The service will also include readings from *The Blue and the Gray* and Douglas Southall Freeman's *R.E. Lee* and will conclude with Gen. Lee's favorite hymn "How Firm a Foundation" and "Shenandoah" performed by W&L singing groups JubiLee and Southern Comfort.

W&L Assistant Director of Alumni Relations Rob Mish said the university hopes the service will add impetus to the Homecoming weekend for returning alumni. Mish said this year's memorial service is doubly special because it marks the first time the anniversary of Lee's death and Homecoming weekend have coincided.



George E. Goodwin, '39  
Alumni House file photo.

The service is sponsored by the Liberty Hall Volunteers and the W&L Alumni Association and is open to the public.

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# Shillington to miss Homecoming

By Alisann McGloin  
Staff Reporter

This Saturday a 27 year-old homecoming tradition will be put on hold awaiting the recovery of chemistry professor Keith Shillington.

Shillington who has been crowning the homecoming queens since the events inception, will be unable to participate in this Saturday's events. Shillington suffered from a stroke last January and has been at home recovering since the start of this school-year.

"Everyone is sorry (Shillington) won't be able to be with us," assistant director of Alumni Relations, Rob Mish, said. Mish emphasized though that they were not in fact looking for a replacement for Shillington but merely a substitute until he is able to return.

Shillington, who said a few weeks ago that he just wanted to be well to partake in homecoming activities was very emotional on the subject of this year's events. He said that he was very sorry he would not be able to partake as usual this year.

According to Mish, this year's queen will be crowned by Tom Hatcher, President of the Executive Committee of the student body.

Mish said, "We have decided to put it back into the hands of the students. It seemed a very logical way to follow it." And Hatcher has agreed to take the place of Shillington, at least for this year.

Not only has Shillington been



Prof. Shillington first announces...

crowning homecoming queens since before most W&L students were born, but he can also make the legitimate claim to be the first ever to assume the role. When asked about his role in the activities last year, Shillington said, "As far as I know, I started at the beginning. When they started having a homecoming queen, they

asked me that year to crown her."

Since Shillington was the first professor to crown the queen, he did not have any guidelines or traditions to follow. He was forced to literally invent the unique halftime event. Shillington felt that it was his acting abilities that made him the man for the part.

"One of the reasons why I was asked [to create the event] was because I was in the theatre. I had played Malvolio in 'Twelfth Night,'" Shillington said.

And what did Shillington create? Shillington set the stage for his famous (or infamous) homecoming kiss which accompanies the crowning of the queen.

Stacy Patmore, the 1988-89 homecoming queen, with regard to her reaction to the Shillington kiss said, "I was a little nervous about it, but the kiss wasn't that bad."

Last year Shillington, himself, said on the subject of the homecoming kiss, that "what I do the kids adore." He added modestly, students also "adore coca-cola." Yet the traditional kiss always seems to bring the biggest roar from the stands.

One could always tell by the crowd's reaction that Shillington had arrived. He is recognizable by the golf cart by which he zooms onto Wilson field and the unusual tie that he will without fail be sporting. Shillington explained the ties last year as simply part of the "clown role" he said he played in the homecoming tradition.

When asked about the changes in homecoming traditions over the years, Shillington agreed that

homecoming is another facet of our campus that has maintained its timelessness.

Of course there have been a few changes in the traditional homecoming ceremonies with the Washington & Lee women who now also compete for the crown. Shillington was present at the historic occasion when Catherine Christian was the first Washington & Lee student crowned queen. Another addition to the traditional homecoming representatives came last year when Washington & Lee's three sororities nominated their own representatives for the competition.

Last year Professor Shillington, who is scheduled to retire at the end of this academic year, spoke wistfully of a future beyond retirement. He did not know what his role in future homecom-



...and then kisses the Homecoming Queen

ings would be. According to the Alumni Relations office, his spot is still open, ready for his return regardless of his retirement status.

## Committee set to name Queen

From staff reports

The woman who is crowned Homecoming Queen will first have to survive the interview process, which will be held Friday.

The panel which chooses the Queen, made up this year of Chairman Scott Dittman, Yvonne Atkins, Prof. Phillip Cline and Claire Sanders, will ask each of the 23 candidates questions that they themselves choose, according to the Alumni Office.

The questions typically involve subjects such as each candidate's major, interests, and school and community service activities, said the Alumni Office. However, each year the committee is free to ask whatever question it feels are necessary.

Last year's chairman, Prof. Clark Mollenhoff, said the committee does not have bias towards representatives from W&L.

"We're open to any young lady who impresses us," he said. "All we do is pick the best from what we have to work with."

## W&L 1990 Homecoming Schedule

### Friday, October 12

11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Five-Star Generals and Homecoming registration, Alumni House.

12 noon

Memorial Service for General Robert E. Lee in Lee Chapel. Key Speaker: George E. Goodwin, Washington and Lee Class of 1939. Posting of the colors by the Liberty Hall Volunteers.

12:10 p.m.

The John Randolph Tucker Lecture. Thomas D. Morgan Oppenheim, Law Professor, George Washington University, "In Defense of Legal Education," Lewis Hall.

12:30 p.m.

Luncheon for Five-Star Generals, Alumni Board of Directors, ACAP Panel participants and their spouses, Lewis Hall.

2 p.m.

Homecoming panel discussion, "The New Global Economies: How will America Compete?"; Panel members: Bruce Herricks, Prof. of Economics, Craig McCaughrin, Prof. of Politics, Richard Stuart, '37, retired foreign service officer; Moderator: Mimi Elrod, Assistant Director of Special Programs; duPont Hall.

Followed by reception, painting and calligraphy of I-Hsiung Ju, Prof. of Art, Emeritus, duPont Gallery.

3:30 p.m.

Alumni Career Assistance Program panel discussion, "Transition into the World of Work," conversation between recent graduates and current students, Moderator: N. Rick Heatley, Director of Career Services, Lee Chapel.

6:30 p.m.

Reception for all alumni honoring the Five-Star Generals and the 1990 Homecoming queen court, Alumni House.

7:30 p.m.

Five-Star Generals' Reunion Banquet, Evans Dining Hall.

9 p.m.

Student Activities Board Concert featuring The Smithereens, Student Activities Pavillion.

### Saturday, October 13

9:30 a.m.

Coffee, front of Lee Chapel, Five-star Generals and other alumni.

10:30 a.m.

Concert, W&L Choral Ensembles, JubiLee, Southern Comfort, Gordon Spice, Director, Lee Chapel.

11 a.m.

Cluster Reunion Program, tours, Fraternity Renaissance Program, Lenfest Center for the Performing Arts, meet at Lee Chapel.

11:30 a.m.

W&L Women's Soccer vs. Randolph-Macon Woman's College, athletic fields.

Noon-2 p.m.

Alumni Luncheon, Oktoberfest, entertainment by Jim Caldwell Band, athletic fields.

1 p.m.

W&L Women's Tennis vs. Swathmore, tennis courts.

1:30 p.m.

W&L Men's Soccer vs. Virginia Wesleyan, athletic fields.

2 p.m.

W&L Football vs. Hampden-Sydney, halftime crowning of Homecoming queen, Wilson Field.

4:30 p.m.

Alumni reception, Alumni House.

# Traditions of W&L Homecomings

By R.J. Thomas  
W&L Class of 90

1925. The first Homecoming. On Saturday, November 7th, 1925, thousands of people filled Wilson Field, bleachers erected on both sides and both ends of the field, and all standing space to watch the Generals under a steady drizzling rain beat UVa 12-0. Although the Homecoming crowd no longer fills the stands and traditions changed, W&L still holds the spirit of that first homecoming.

The Alumni Magazine for October 1925 announced the "First Official Annual Homecoming Day." Tickets were \$2 and the seats were reserved. Alumni were invited to attend a meeting of the Alumni Association, Inc. where they would be addressed by G.H. Denny, a former W&L president who had gone on to become president of the University of Alabama (which was sharply criticized elsewhere in the same issue of the magazine for stealing the W&L Swing and calling it the Alabama Swing). Alumni were also invited to attend classes that morning. "That morning" was Saturday. Things have changed.

Accommodations were made for 10,000 people. Fraternity house managers' names were listed in the Alumni Magazine so alumni could contact them if they wanted to stay in their fraternity



Students participating in 1960 Homecoming pep rally. Calyx photo.

houses. The railroads offered special rates from all over the state to Lexington. Game tickets were on sale in Roanoke, Lynchburg and Staunton.

The night before the game a pep rally was held and a thousand people attended. There were cheers, speeches and a bonfire.

Local merchants were asked to keep their stores closed during the afternoon so that everyone in town could attend the game. It must have seemed like everyone in the state was there to watch the General beat UVa. A dance was held on Saturday night. The First Official Annual Homecoming Day was such a success that they decided to keep doing it.

Many of the traditions which grew up over the years are now gone: fraternity decorations, freshman parades, the 13 Club, pep rallies, the "Opening Dance."

For years at Homecoming the Alumni Association would award a prize to the fraternity with the best decorations. Fraternities would decorate their front lawns--those that had front lawns-- other would decorate their houses. They

would make banners and floats to carry and ride during the Freshman Torchlight Parade.

On Friday night, the night before the big game, the freshmen, wearing pajamas, and other students would gather in the gym for a pep rally. W&L's cheerleaders would lead the students in cheers and speeches would be given by the coaches and players. In 1955, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company gave 1,000 megaphones to the students for the pep rally.

The freshmen would then, pajama clad, carry torches through town. The most frequent path was down Washington Street, left on Jefferson, right through Red Square, and then up Main Street to Nelson. The students would then take a right on Nelson and break in to the State Theater for



W&L had male cheerleaders back in '60. Calyx photo.

a free movie.

The parade must have been a sight. At a time when the world was not so serious, when students weren't spending their college careers building resumes. In 1955 the Phi ran a picture of the parade. In the picture was group of students wearing pajamas, one

of them bearing a placard reading, "Shove It Up a Turkey--Gobble, Gobble."

13 days before Homecoming, the 13 Club would begin its initiation period for 13 new pledges from 13 different fraternities who each had paid an initiation fee of \$13.13. At some point during these 13 days the statue of Cyrus McCormick, the one standing guard on front campus, the one most visitors think is Lee, was tarred and feathered, and the base covered with number 13s.

What a fine time it must have been.

Saturday of Homecoming would usually begin with a football game, just as it does now, but without the liquid pleasure some of recent years. In the 1955 Homecoming issue of the Phi the EC stated that its policy against drinking in public would be strictly enforced at that year's game.

On Saturday night a dance, called "Openings" would be held in a lavishly decorated Doremus Gymnasium. At the dance, the Homecoming queen would be crowned. The queen. We still have that, and until last year, Dr. Shillington still kissed them. How long has he been doing that? It seems as if it started back in the early 60s, but he's not sure and no one else is either.

But for all those rich traditions only two remain, the game and the queen. Where did it all

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Draw your own conclusions on this early '80s Homecoming nominee. Publications photo.

## Five-Star Generals reflect on Lee's college

By Kim Boots  
Staff Reporter

Sixty-five Five-Star Generals will return to Lexington this weekend to visit the place where they spent their college years more than half a century ago.

Five-Star Generals are Washington and Lee alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago, who may reunite each year during Homecoming weekend. Each year these special alumni are honored through several activities, including a banquet and recognition during half-time of the Homecoming football game.

According to Assistant Alumni Relations Director Rob Mish, there are about 1600 living Five-Star Generals or alumni who graduated from W&L 50 years or more ago. Mish says Five-Star Generals offer unique viewpoints on university life and concerns because they have dealt with social and political issues which are radically different from those W&L students face today. However many vestiges of the university, as it existed in the first quarter of this century, like the Honor Code and the Collonade, have endured.

Dr. Craig Houston Patterson,



Craig Patterson ...in his 1919 Calyx photo

who lives in Harrisonburg, Virginia, graduated in 1919, before W&L even had Homecoming, and is one of the oldest returning alumni. The university awarded with an honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree in 1936.

Like so many students who have multiple familial ties to the university, Patterson is a third-generation W&L man and his son, Robert G. Patterson, graduated from Washington and Lee in 1950. Patterson has

attended many W&L reunions since he was graduated, including some that were not his own, like the 50-year reunion of the first class to graduate under Robert E. Lee's Presidency in 1916.

While Patterson was a W&L student between 1915 and 1919, Washington and Lee students faced the grim prospect of being drafted for an overseas war. He recalled some of the college's extracurricular activities.

After World War I began, "Washington and Lee students decided to learn something about drilling and shooting" he said, so students organized three companies and VMI officers came over for two or three sessions a week to instruct them in marching, drilling and saluting.

"We had the draft, and most of us didn't have any good excuse and I realized that my number was coming up and so I volunteered and joined the Marine Corps," said Patterson. In the spring of 1918, while a junior, he left for China where he flew B-wing fighters in World War I. Patterson returned six months later and graduated from Washington and Lee on schedule in the spring of 1919. The

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### W&L Swing

*Come cheer for Washington and Lee,  
We're going to win another victory;  
The White and Blue we will ever wave in triumph,  
For the University. RAH! RAH! RAH!  
Fight to the finish we are with you,  
Break thru the line on every play;  
Rush the ball on down the field and we will win  
this game today.  
When Washington and Lee's men fall in line,  
We're going to win again anther time;  
For W&L I yell, yell, yell  
And for the University; I yell like hell  
And we will fight! fight! fight! for every yard;  
Circle the ends and hit that line right hard!  
And we will roll those Wahoos on the sod!  
Yes by God! RAH! RAH! RAH!*

### College Friendships

*Our college friendships must sever and fade as  
does the dying day.  
Our closest bonds must all be broken as through  
this world we wend our way.  
But yet whatever be life's fortune, though friends  
be few..  
We'll love thee still,  
our Alma Mater, our dear old W&L U.*

# Who will be Queen?

Each of the 23 women nominated for Washington and Lee's 1990 Homecoming Court were asked to respond to the following question:

**Why do you think you would be a good representative of W&L as its Homecoming Queen?**

Answers compiled by Josh Manning



**Alpha Phi Omega**  
Loretta Vandenberg, W&L '91  
Escort: James Prather

Comment: "I think I represent a stronger person. I have definite ideas and goals concerning the way things should be, and I am not willing to compromise."



**Beta Theta Pi**  
Lisa McHenry, W&L '92  
Escort: Robert Rambo

Comment: "I have a great deal of respect for W&L, and I'm proud to be a student here."



**Chi Omega**  
Dale Wyatt, W&L '92  
Escort: Brandon Canaday

Comment: "I am very involved on campus and I would be honored to represent Chi Omega as well as Washington and Lee as our Homecoming Queen."



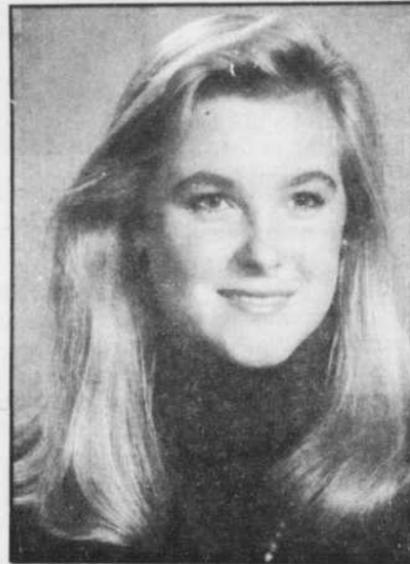
**Kappa Alpha Theta**  
Morgan Warner, W&L '92  
Escort: Robert Fuller

Comment: "As a student of Washington and Lee, I'd be a good Homecoming queen because I love the school, and I'd be more than honored to represent it in any way possible."



**Kappa Kappa Gamma**  
Jean Stroman, W&L '91  
Escort: Stephen White

Comment: "I'm just very excited about Homecoming and hope that the Generals win!"



**Kappa Sigma**  
Jiffy Motley, Hollins '93  
Escort: Pait Skipper

Comment: "Although I do not go to Washington and Lee, I feel that I possess the qualities and traditions the school exemplifies. I would be proud to represent W&L as a candidate for Homecoming queen."



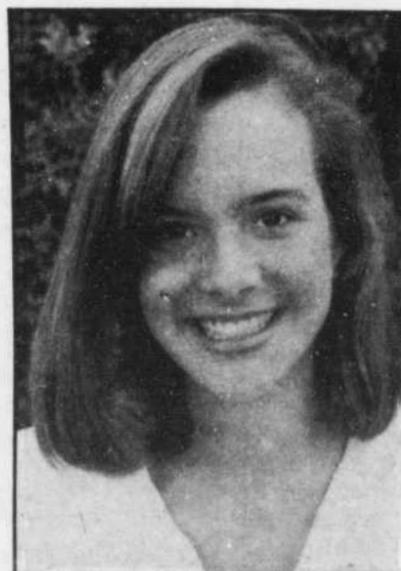
**Lambda Chi Alpha**  
Amy Aussiker, W&L '91  
Escort: Shannon Smith

Comment: "I feel I would be a good representative because I'm actively involved in many campus organizations. I feel I'm respected by both students and the faculty and have been able to maintain a respectable GPA."



**Pi Kappa Alpha**  
Mary Hampson, W&L '91  
Escort: Richard Perry

Comment: "I'm not convinced that I would make a better Homecoming queen than anyone else on the court."



**Pi Kappa Phi**  
Amy Roberson, W&L '93  
Escort: J. Chris Kennedy

Comment: "I love Washington and Lee, and I enjoy trying to be involved with the school in as many ways as I can. I would feel very honored to be able to represent the school."



**Sigma Alpha Epsilon**  
Merrill Watson, W&L '91  
Escort: Thompson Lykes

Comment: "I have great admiration for two principles associated with W&L: honesty and the Honor Code. I strive to incorporate these into everyday life - whether academic or personal."

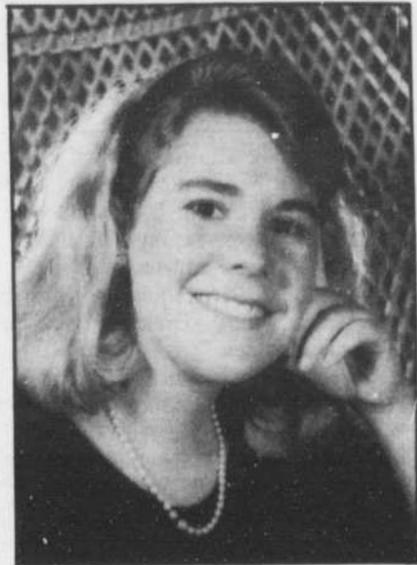


**Sigma Chi**  
Anne Ridenhour, Hollins '93  
Escort: Beau Fowler

Comment: "Although I don't attend W&L, I feel a loyalty towards the school. It represents much more than just a great social opportunity. My experiences at W&L will always be a fond memory."



**Chi Psi**  
**Cecily Tynan, W&L '91**  
 Escort: Mark Lotruglio  
 Comment: "In the four years that I've attended W&L, I've been very active in various aspects of campus life. I'm honored and flattered that Chi Psi chose me to represent them."



**Delta Gamma**  
**Mignon Crockard, W&L '91**  
 Escort: Walter Jones  
 Comment: "Mignon did not wish to comment upon her nomination."



**Delta Tau Delta**  
**J. Christine Will, W&L '94**  
 Escort: John Neslage  
 Comment: "I think that any W&L candidate would be a good choice for Homecoming queen."



**Kappa Alpha**  
**Patty Doran, Sweet Briar '93**  
 Escort: Ryland Scott  
 Comment: "Representing W&L and KA fraternity is a great honor because I value their traditions. I hope to represent them well."



**Phi Delta Theta**  
**Lee Phillips, Hollins '93**  
 Escort: Thomas Otis  
 Comment: "Girl's schools have traditionally been an integral part of W&L's social life. I'm glad to see the W&L girls have become widely accepted and appreciated, but I would like to see this tradition continue."



**Phi Gamma Delta**  
**Simone Schonenberger, W&L '91**  
 Escort: Rick Hughs  
 Comment: "Studying a year abroad in Germany has allowed me to appreciate the unique opportunities that W&L offers."



**Phi Kappa Psi**  
**Camelot Lindauer, Sweet Briar '93**  
 Escort: John Neumann  
 Comment: "W&L has been an important part of my life since I came to Sweet Briar. I've really enjoyed the time I've spent here, and I feel a special attachment to this school."



**Phi Kappa Sigma**  
**Kimberly Kinnard, Randolph-Macon '93**  
 Escort: Andy Guida  
 Comment: "I'd be honored to represent W&L and Randolph-Macon and the traditional relationship between our schools."



**Sigma Nu**  
**Tricia Pheil, Sweet Briar '92**  
 (on exchange at W&L)  
 Escort: Chris Leipart  
 Comment: "As an exchange student from Sweet Briar, I would be honored to represent the ongoing traditional ties between our two schools."



**Sigma Phi Epsilon**  
**Claire deVignier, Randolph-Macon '92**  
 Escort: Pete Castiglione  
 Comment: "I firmly believe in an academically demanding Liberal Arts education. I would be honored to represent W&L because I think W&L represents just that."



**International Club**  
**Oksana Kozhina, Moscow State U.**  
 (on exchange at W&L)  
 Escort: Gregory Ward  
 Comment: "I think that I'd be a good Homecoming queen for W&L because my selection would represent the new era of understanding between the US and the Soviet Union."



**Minority Students Association**  
**Alisha Johnson, W&L '93**  
 Escort: Damon Sanders  
 Comment: "My endeavor to succeed in my courses and my involvement in religious activities, athletics, writing, and personal hobbies/interests, allow me to represent W&L on different levels and from diverse perspectives."

## Cluster Reunion unites classes

By Craig Burke  
Staff Reporter

In addition to the Five-Star Generals' Reunion, which has been the focus of the Alumni Office during previous Homecoming weekends, the Cluster Reunion Program for graduates from the past four years will also be emphasized this year, according to W&L Alumni Staff Associate Joel Smith.

The Cluster Reunion Program has been incorporated in hopes of building a strong alumni network for recent graduates. Before the Cluster Reunion Program was established the first formal reunion for graduates was five years after Commencement, although the Five-Star Generals' Reunion has honored alumni who graduated fifty years previously or more.

Nancy Hickam, a 1990 graduate, said the Cluster program is a great idea that provides incentive to recent graduates who already wish to visit the campus. "Homecoming is an occasion when many younger grads would like to come back to W&L. They are more apt to visit than are the older alumni who visit

during Alumni Weekend in May," said Hickam.

The Alumni Office relied on graduates who had been members of Kathekon, a W&L student-alumni relations organization, in preparing this year's cluster reunion. "The members of Kathekon who we contacted were extremely valuable in helping us put together the cluster reunion. In fact, the tour of the fraternities we are offering this year grew out of a graduate's suggestion," said Smith.

The Alumni Office hopes that the work put into the cluster reunion program will help bridge the gap between older and younger alumni. "I think the Cluster Reunion will work well," commented 1990 graduate Wesley Goings. "People are going to come if they possibly can."

Smith, who graduated from W&L last year, says ties with his classmates have become more important to him as he has gotten older and he hopes recent graduates will recognize the increasing importance of class unity and attend the Cluster Reunions.

Although reunions are traditionally held in the spring, Smith said "this is a big time for the alumni."

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on the basic economies of various countries. Richard K. Stuart, a 1937 W&L graduate who spent time as a foreign service member in the Pacific, will also speak.

The Alumni Career Assistance Program has coordinated a panel discussion on "The Transition into the World of Work," a conversation between recent graduates and current students.

At 6:30 p.m. Friday a reception for all alumni, honoring the 1990 W&L Homecoming court, will be held at the W&L Alumni House, followed by a dinner honoring the Five Star Generals.

At 9 p.m. Friday night *The Smithereens*, a New Jersey progressive rock band, will perform the annual Homecoming concert, sponsored by the Student Activities Board, at the Student Activities Pavilion.

Saturday morning's schedule includes a coffee break at 9:30 a.m. at Lee Chapel for all alumni. The first concert of the year by the university choral ensembles, including the all-female JubiLee and all-male Southern Comfort, is scheduled to follow at 10:30 a.m. in Lee Chapel.

At 11 a.m. alumni will meet in front of Lee Chapel for tours of the Fraternity Renaissance Program and the Lenfest Center for the Performing Arts as part of

the Cluster Reunion Program.

A 12 noon Oktoberfest luncheon is scheduled for students, faculty and alumni on the upper athletic field, where the *Jim Caldwell Band* will provide jazz, swing, Dixieland, and old-time tunes.

The band is comprised of about 20 members from Lynchburg to Roanoke to Lexington and has been playing at area functions for over 20 years. According to band leader Jim Caldwell, "we don't fool with that rock-and-roll stuff."

2 p.m. is kick-off time for the Homecoming game, in which the Generals will take on long-time rival, the Hampden-Sydney Tigers, on Wilson Field. The 1990 Washington and Lee Homecoming Queen will be announced during

half-time.

A post-game alumni reception will be held at the Alumni House at 4:30.

There will be two other at-home athletic events on Saturday. The women's tennis team will compete against Swarthmore at 1 p.m. on the Varsity Courts and the men's soccer team will oppose Virginia Wesleyan at 1:30 p.m. at Liberty Hall Field.

Mish said, although all activities are significant, there are a few that shouldn't be missed, like the Lee Memorial Service, the Oktoberfest Luncheon, the ACAP lecture, which all are planned for students and alumni. "The best events tend to be the ones that involve W&L students, past and present, that combination is always a winner," he said.



## ALUMNI

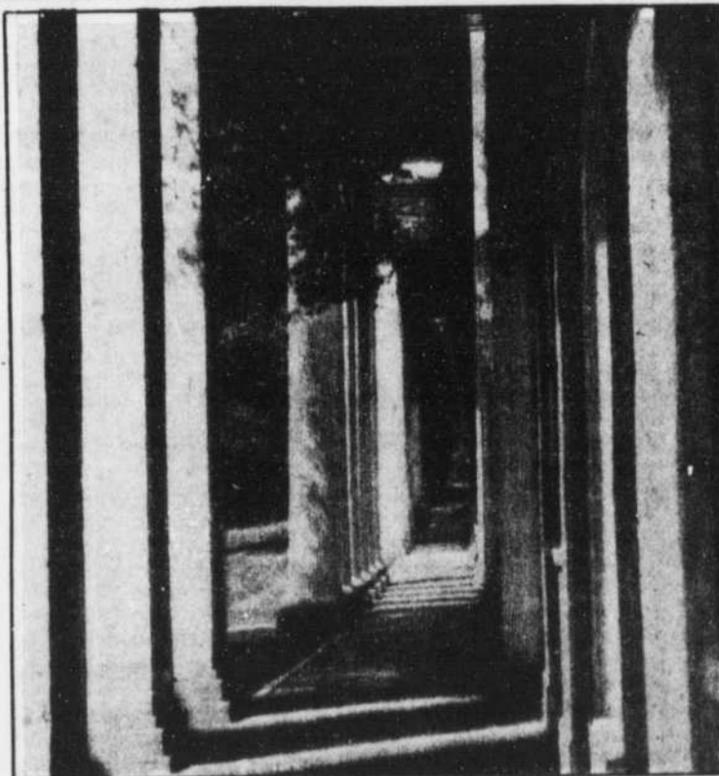
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university granted him three credit hours for service. Among others, Winson Barker of Wise, Virginia and Dr. Winter Royston of Lexington will be present. Barker, who was graduated from W&L in 1927, retired from teaching in 1968. Royston, who was graduated in 1928, is a W&L Professor Emeritus of Mathematics.

The three alumni consider the admission of women into W&L in 1984 as one of the most monumental changes in its traditions since their graduation. However they seemed to agree that co-education has been a success at W&L. "I think it's a grand thing," said Barker.

Patterson pointed out an advantage to the presence of women on campus: "At two o'clock on Friday afternoon when the dismissal bell rang for classes, practically a third of the student body would take off to Hollins and the other girls' schools. Just think how much gas it's saved having the women there." However, unlike today, not many students had cars in 1919.

W&L has also undergone physical changes. In the 1920's, students visited their deans and the W&L president in Newcomb Hall, which houses classrooms today. The area which is now home to the Law School used to be "just an abandoned gully," according to Patterson. Barker



The Colonnade in 1922, identical to 1990.

does not oppose the newer, more modern buildings such as the library, which may seem a contrast to the predominantly neoclassic architecture of most of the campus. He says the school has "been improving with the new buildings and the new studies" and is still "improving and is one of the finest schools in the

country."

All three alumni, who also returned to W&L last year for Homecoming, think certain aspects of the school have remained solid through the years, such as the Speaking Tradition or the Honor System, the presence and legacy of former W&L President General Robert E. Lee, and Lee Chapel.

## TRADITION

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go? Did they just quit? Was some ban placed on 13s or pajamas? No. Perhaps they were killed by a war. They mostly died out in the late 60s, when thoughts of Vietnam were running through the heads of every young man.

The last mention in the *Phi* of a house winning a decorations award was Lambda Chi in 1969, and a writer in that same issue wrote, "It seems that for the most part, an alumnus returning to campus is a lonely experience."

By 1970, the only mention made in the *Phi* of Homecoming was that it existed and there would be a concert Friday night and the game Saturday followed by a grain party in Red Square. One of the classes listed for a reunion in 1970 was the Class of 1925. In 1971 Homecoming was nothing but a small picture in the *Phi* after the fact, in the lower left hand corner of the front page, of Shillington kissing the Queen.

But W&L was never a big school. The teeming thousands that once filled Wilson Field are back to a scale more in line with a small college at the base of the Blue Ridge Mountains. But there

are some things here that will never change.

On that first Homecoming Day, back in 1925, former W&L President G.H. Denny praised W&L with words that still hold true. "Take away from many a college its endowment and what is left?" asked Denny, "But strip the Washington and Lee Campus of every building and every dollar, and there are left some things more precious than silver and gold." That hasn't changed.

The following poem from the 1925 alumni magazine, the first annual year of Homecoming, is as effective now as it was more than half a century ago:

*By the banks of old North River, winding lazy round the hill,  
To the Dear old college campus, my thoughts are turning still,  
For the college bells are calling, and I know they say to me,  
Come you back, you old alumnus, back to Washington and Lee.*

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article was reprinted from the 1989 Ring-tum Phi Homecoming supplement.

# Generals hope for Homecoming win over Tigers

By Jay Plotkin  
Sports Editor

It's that Homecoming time of year again, and everyone is making plans, trying to arrange the weekend to incorporate the most fun into a three-day time span.

The Student Activities Board has already planned your Friday for you. The Smithereens will kick off the weekend Friday night in the Pavilion.

But what are you doing after the concert? Might I suggest a relaxing afternoon courtesy of the Washington and Lee Athletic Department?

While you are recovering from Friday night's festivities, why not spend a day in the sun (knock on wood) enjoying W&L athletics?

Start by visiting Liberty Hall Field to take a look at last year's and this year's best in Old Dominion Athletic Conference soccer. The women's soccer team kicks off action at 11:30 a.m. with a conference game against Randolph-Macon Woman's College. The Generals are off to one of their best starts ever and will look to continue to roll against R-MWC.

The team is led by a pair of freshman. Karen Stutzmann leads the team in scoring with seven goals on the season, including the school's first ever three-goal performance. She got her hat trick in a 3-2 win over Wheeling last week.

Kate Stimeling has been stingy in goal all season for the Generals. She allows just 1.11 goals per contest and has 62 saves on the season.

At 1:30 p.m., also on Liberty Hall Field, the defending ODAC Champion men's soccer team plays host to Virginia Wesleyan in a game that has conference title ramifications riding in the balance. The game is sure to be tight. Last year, the Generals beat VWC 1-0 on Liberty Hall Field to capture the ODAC Tournament when Patrick Brown assisted Scott Levitt late in the second half.

The Generals struggled to start 1990 but are still unbeaten in conference play and have not lost in 10 games at home, going 9-0-1. Sophomore Reid Murphy lead the team with six goals. Freshman Dan Rhodes has four goals and sophomore Mike Mitchem has two goals and four assists.

After you've had your fill of soccer, head over to Wilson Field for the gridiron tilt between the Generals and arch-rival Hampden-Sydney at 2 p.m. The Generals have struggled offensively but boast one of the top defenses in the ODAC.

W&L is 18-15-2 in Homecoming games since 1955 and 6-6 under head coach Gary Fallon. But Homecoming against H-SC has been a different story. The Generals and Tigers have met six times on Homecoming, and the best the Generals have managed

is a tie. The last W&L win over H-SC on Wilson Field came in 1980, 17-13.

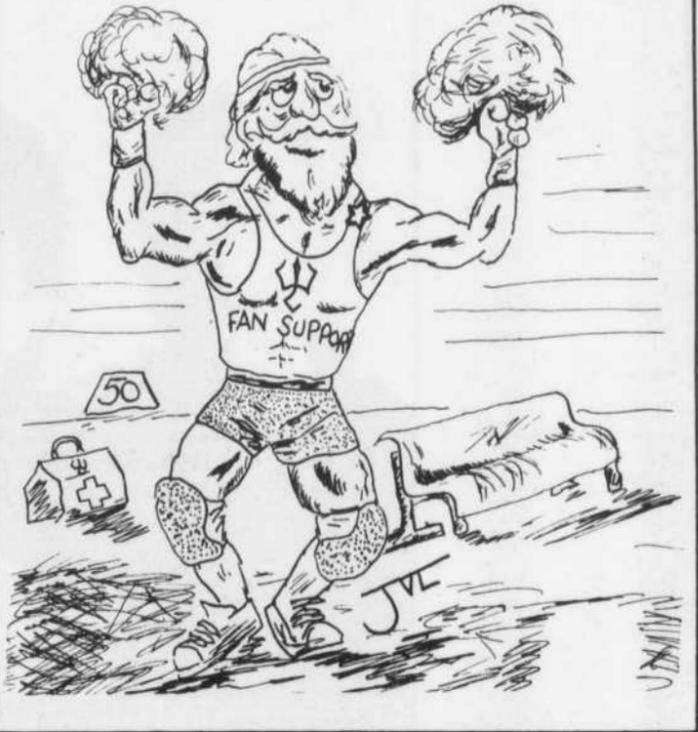
In 1988, W&L almost pulled off an upset on Homecoming against the Tigers. W&L led 7-0 on a Mason Pope four-yard touchdown run and led 10-3 in the second half. But the Tigers tied the game at 10-10 on the last play of the half on a hail mary pass from Dan Laramore to Steven Waskey, covering 51 yards on the last play of the half.

In the second half, the teams traded field goals before H-SC took control. Punter Tom Skeen was sacked in the end zone for a safety when the snap went over his head. H-SC extended the lead to 22-13 on a Chris Underwood 18-yard touchdown run.

But the Generals didn't quit. Tony Onorato brought the crowd to its feet and the Generals back in the game. He intercepted a fumble and rambled 82 yards for a touchdown to make the score 22-20, but the onside kick attempt failed and the Tigers ran out the clock for the win.

Last season, the Generals made a Homecoming crowd happy with a 26-10 win over Maryville. Brad Miller broke open a 13-3 game with a 42-yard interception return for a touchdown, and Phillip Sampson broke the school-record for career touchdown passes when he connected with Craig Irons for a 28-yard score. Earlier in the game, Samp-

Hopefully the Generals will be as tough in the stands as they are on the field.



This cartoon appeared in the Phi several years ago.

son and Irons had connected on an 80-yard pass play.

This season, the Generals have struggled, but they are looking to start afresh with a win over Hampden-Sydney. Said senior tri-

captain Irons, "We're looking at these last five games as a new season. We're looking to start over with a big win in front of a packed house on Homecoming." Good luck Generals!

## Greeks plan for Homecoming '90

By Greg Patterson  
Staff Reporter

Washington and Lee's Greek organizations have planned a variety of events around Saturday's Homecoming football game.

Below is a list of fraternity and sorority activities for before and after the game.

**Beta Theta Pi & Phi Delta Theta:** Band party featuring *Other People* at Poplar Hill.

**Chi Omega:** Tailgate party.

**Chi Psi:** Cocktail party, and later a formal dinner, followed by a "Casino Night" party.

**Delta Gamma colony:** Tailgate party.

**Delta Tau Delta:** Cocktail party, and later a formal dinner, as well as an evening party at Rose Hill.

**Kappa Alpha:** Tailgate party and afternoon band party with *Down, Boy, Down*. Evening band party with *Timmy Kay in 3-D*.

**Kappa Alpha Theta:** Tailgate party.

**Kappa Kappa Gamma:** No activities planned at press time.

**Kappa Sigma:** Tailgate party and later an evening band party with *The Mighty Majors* at Zollman's.

**Lambda Chi Alpha:** Tailgate party and a coat-and-tie cocktail

party. Later, an evening band party with *Dunwoody Muthers*.

**Phi Gamma Delta:** Pre-game reception and later a cocktail party. Also, an evening band party with *The Grandeurs Band and Show*.

**Phi Kappa Psi:** Tailgate party and cocktail party, with an evening band party featuring *Phase* later.

**Phi Kappa Sigma & Sigma Alpha Epsilon:** Afternoon band party featuring *The Mighty Majors* at Munster. Evening band party with *The Megaphonics* at Schewel's Warehouse.

**Pi Kappa Alpha:** Buffet banquet in The Dell with Pi Kappa Alpha's from Hampden-Sydney.

Evening band party with *The Stegmonds* in the Dell with Pi Kappa Alpha's from Hampden-Sydney.

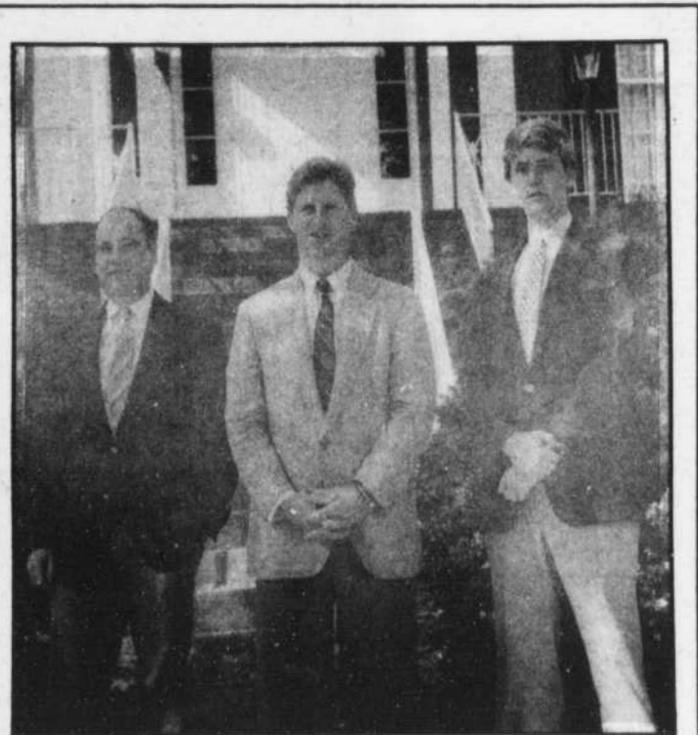
**Pi Kappa Phi:** Band party with *Channel One*.

**Sigma Chi:** Cocktail party. Evening band party with *Clubhouse Angels*.

**Sigma Nu:** Cocktail party at Down Under. Evening band party with *The Jolly Llamas* at Down Under.

**Sigma Phi Epsilon:** Pre-game cocktail party, with a cook-out later. Evening band party with *Tweed Sneakers*.

Several Greek activities are for members and their guests only.



### Men behind the scenes

Ever wonder who makes Homecoming happen? Above are (left to right) Assistant Alumni Relations Director Rob Mish, '76, Alumni Relations Director Jim Farrar, '74, and Alumni Staff Associate Joel Smith, '90. Together with the rest of the alumni office staff, and other university and alumni organizations these three "men behind the scenes" have coordinated this weekend's diverse Homecoming activities. Photo by Chris Leiphart.

### A reminder...

Live Drive will be running a sober shuttle service to the Pavilion for the concert Friday night. Vans will be running routes which include fraternity houses, the freshmen dorms, and Gaines Hall. Vans will be in operation from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m.. The Live Drive phone number is 463-8947. Have a safe and enjoyable Homecoming Weekend, Don't Drink and Drive.



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