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Washington and Lee University's Colonnade

photo by Parker Roberts

## EC Gives Calyx Advance Money

by Joe Scott

Publishing prices for Washington and Lee's yearbook have gone up \$1,200, Calyx's business manager, John Hamilton, said at Monday's Executive Committee meeting.

The new price, set at \$10,219.70 was blamed on higher paper prices, a cover costing \$100 more and a larger allowance for corrections now set at \$1,000.

Failure to continue a three-year contract with the Hunter Publishing Co. would force the Calyx to rebate a two percent discount savings for the past two years.

The E.C. voted unanimously to forward \$5,000 to the company and discuss the remaining amount later.

### SAB Spanked

Verbally spanking the S.A.B. again, the E.C. continued its discussion on lack of publicity for their past meeting.

"I was a little bit mad that no signs were up for the Sunday night meeting," said Senior E.C. Representative Jay Blumberg. "I registered my complaint with Harpole and Ridge. It happened that there

was a very important decision."

The decision discussed was the feasibility of celebrating Fancy Dress with the alumni.

### Pika Break-In

## Suspect Held; Goods Recovered

by Sam Campbell

A laborer from Lexington, and an undetermined number of juveniles have been arrested in connection with a robbery over the summer at the Pi Kappa Alpha house.

According to Lexington Police Chief James A. Kirby, Anthony Wayne Higgins, 19, has been charged with two counts of receiving stolen goods and four counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The robbery occurred in June, but the losses weren't determined until the occupants of the house returned this fall.

"...(University Proctor) Charles Murray does a real good job watching the fraternities during the summer, and

The issue surfaced when the town made clear that the fire code capacity of the Student Center, set at 2139, would be adhered to. Last year, approx-

imately 5,000 attended Fancy Dress. Three alternatives were considered. One would bar alumni invitations, another would limit the amount of alumni tickets on a first-come, first-serve basis, or moving the party to the Warner Center.

Exclusion of the alumni would not satisfy the fire code capacity. Undergraduate and law school students with dates would still overload the building with a possible 3,400. This also does not include faculty invitations.

The Student Activities Board first voted to hold the ball in the gymnasiums and to allow alumni to attend. This decision was revoked after the SAB discussed the logistics of having the ball there.

## Fancy Dress S.A.B. Considers Barring Alumni

by David Greer

The fear of a fire is the major factor in deciding to limit the attendance.

The decision to allow only students, faculty, and staff came after 5,000 persons attended last year's ball. The capacity of the Student Center, including the dining hall is 2,139.

See Letter to the Editor on page 10.

The Student Activities Board

Problems lay in the immense area to decorate, the locating of several activities in two gyms and a classroom, and the atmosphere. "It'll look like your high-school prom," said Jamie Small.

Last year, 600 to 650 alumni and their dates attended Fancy Dress. This year, one ticket per student will be printed. A student can sell his ticket to whomever he pleases.

The Student Activities Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Sunday in Room 208 in the University Center building to discuss further plans for this year's Fancy Dress Ball. All students are invited to attend.

Fancy Dress will be held this year on February 29.

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## Homecoming Weekend

### Allstars To Play

Final arrangements are being made to bring the Allstars, from Charlottesville, back to the Cockpit on Thursday, October 4th, for a show that should really help kick off the Homecoming weekend. The Allstars, one of the most popular bands in this region, have no trouble delighting packed houses every time they play here.

The University Center Committee received \$500 from the

Executive Committee last week to book the band, and UCC chairman Jamie Small said that the contract has been delivered, and only the last details remain to be worked out. Small foresees no problems.

At this time, only one show has been planned, with a limit of 200 people allowed. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$1.00 to W&L students and \$2.00 to others. Watch for the time of the show to be announced.

## Letter From S.A.B.

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And there is the most difficult aspect of putting off a Fancy Dress, that of putting the theme to work, so to speak, by making all of the ideas pertaining to a theme blend together. This is what makes Fancy Dress what it is, and not a high school prom. This is what will be missed.

The second part of my argument concerns alumni. Although Fancy Dress is undoubtedly the big weekend at W&L, it certainly is not the only weekend alumni attend. There is, of course, Homecoming, which is especially designed for alumni, and the annual Spring Reunion, which promises to get bigger in years ahead.

As I'm sure many alumni will agree, the priority lies with the students of W&L. I'm also sure that alumni would sacrifice their privilege to attend Fancy Dress if it meant preserving the most prestigious collegiate social event in the South. Not even alumni want to go to a Fancy Dress that smells of socks and jocks. As an alumnus to be, I would subscribe to these views.

The initial motion to have Fancy Dress in the gym passed 8-3. But after further discus-

sion, a recall of the motion reversing the initial decision passed 6-5. There will be further discussion at next Sunday's meeting at 7 p.m. If you feel strongly one way or the other, I suggest you be there. A reversed and hallowed tradition is at stake.

Sincerely,  
George Polizos '81  
Co-Entertainment Director  
SAB

## Notices

**SENIORS:** Appointments are being made for senior informal portraits to appear in the Calyx. Shooting begins today.

There will be a person taking appointments in the co-op during the afternoon. The Calyx will also be calling Seniors for appointments. Start to think of who you want your picture taken with as soon as possible.

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## Wenke Arrives In Korea

Michael F. Wenke, a 1979 graduate of Washington and Lee, arrives in Korea this week to begin a ten-month internship as a Luce Scholar assigned to the Korean Amateur Basketball Association in Seoul.

Wenke is one of fifteen Luce Scholars for 1979-80 who comprise the sixth group chosen in a national competition for participation in this program operated by the Henry Luce Foundation.

The Luce Scholars Program was established by the foundation in 1973 to give outstanding young Americans an exposure to Asia at an early stage in their careers.

The 15 winners of Luce Scholar awards in 1979 average 25 years-of-age and include 10 men and five women. The professional fields they represent range from medicine to music and include philosophy, law, finance, film-making, journalism, psychology, and social work.

The competition for 1980-81 Luce Scholars is already underway. Nominating institutions have been asked to present their candidates to the Henry Luce Foundation no later than December 3.

Interested seniors, graduate or professional school students, or recent alumni under age 30 are asked to contact the local Luce Scholar liaison, Dr. Edwin D. Craun,



Ron Caulkins '82 and Jim Leisy '80 after their mudbath last Saturday.  
photo by Frank Jones

## Fancy Dress Problems

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Last year, the S.A.B. used too many flammable materials, added Student Body President Steve Abraham. "If they had it in the gym, everybody could come," he said.

"I think everyone should hold their opinions until next week," said Dee Keesler, Senior Representative to the E.C.

SAB co-chairman David Harpole left with the E.C.'s wishes that the communication situation improve significantly.

Gerald Darrell, director of the University Dining and Food Services, addressed the E.C. on relations between the University Center Committee and the Cockpit, and also on current financial structure. Saying an understanding had been reached between himself and U.C.C. chairman Jamie Small, Darrell went on to say that beer sales during concerts are the only way to offset losses on low sales volume nights.

"We may have to consider

shutting down at times," said Darrell, referring to the Cockpit hours between 2 and 9 p.m.

"We don't have a steady business that we can rely on," said Darrell. "The advantage of that restaurant is that we don't have to make a profit. All we have is to operate in the black."

A Rugby Club request for a \$600 loan was approved. The Club promised to return the money in two weeks.

The loan, given because of a C.O.D. uniform delivery expected later this week, was emphasized as just a loan. The Rugby Club stated that individuals will pay for their own uniforms.

Applications to fill up perclassmen (3) positions to the Student Activities Board are being accepted immediately. Submit applications to Carol Chappell's office in the University Center building.

## Committee Appointments

After reviewing applications for seven faculty committees, the E.C. appointed 13 students to new positions. Five positions remain open, due to a lack of

applicants and will be filled at the next week's meeting. The names, subject to approval by University President Robert E.R. Huntley are as follows:

Faculty Executive Committee	..... Les Cotter and Tony Carli
Courses and Degrees	..... Craig Cornett and Kevin McCusky
Freshman Admissions	..... Peter Eliades and Neil Pentifallo
Lectures Committee	..... Channing Hall
Student Health	..... Scott Williams and Matt Harris
Library Advisory Committee	..... Chris Burnham, Rob Neely, and Stuart Miller
University Athletic Committee	..... Mike Foley
Applications will be considered again Monday, at 7 p.m.	
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# Mock Convention Report



Senator Howard Baker

## Howard Baker Profiled

Tennessee Senator Howard Baker all but formally announced his bid for the 1980 Republican presidential nomination in a TV appearance May 6. Responding to inquiries about his possible candidacy on "Face the Nation," Baker replied, "You know I am a candidate...I'm running hard, I have a good organization and I plan to win."

This announcement by the 55-year-old Senate Minority Leader casts him into an already cluttered field of GOP presidential hopefuls, among them John Connally, George Bush, Philip Crane, Bob Dole and, although he has yet to declare his candidacy, Ronald Reagan.

In recent polls, though, Baker has emerged reasonably well, often placing behind Reagan, Ford and Connally as the most desirable Republican presiden-

tial candidate.

No stranger to Washington, Baker first served as a Senator in 1966, winning handily over longtime Tennessee governor Frank Clement.

In 1972, he won re-election with an impressive 62% of the vote, carrying all eight of the state's congressional districts, and his '78 election was equally decisive. Baker's struggle to grasp Senate Minority Leader was just that. He managed to pull one more vote than Robert Griffin, his opponent in a heated contest. Baker had tried for the position two times before without success.

The Senator first received national exposure as the ranking Republican on the Senate Watergate Committee, and his name was brought frequently as Ford's most probable running mate on the '76 GOP ticket (although, of course, Robert Dole was eventually chosen).

As Congress considers SALT II, Baker's positions on the Foreign Relations Committee and the Arms Control Subcommittee will offer him added national recognition.

Ideologically, Baker is hard to define. He has opposed many of the traditionally held conservative views during his career, his most recent defection being support of the Panama Canal Treaties—a position which many Republicans claim will seriously damage his nomination chances. During the great racial tensions of the 60's, Baker was one of the few southern politicians who chose not to exploit the situation, although he could have preached racism effectively in predominantly white Tennessee.

It is expected that much of Baker's support will come from moderate Republicans, particularly Ford's old supporters. He has few enemies in the party and in the case of a deadlocked convention, he might be advanced as a compromise candidate.

As Baker himself said, "Republican presidential chances haven't been better since 1952...the country's singing our song." If so, it remains to be seen whether the Republican Party thinks Baker can carry the tune.

### Instead of a Freshman's Guide—

## A Reporter's Probing Investigation

I was sure the moment I saw her, although she seemed uncertain at first and perhaps was originally only charmed by my matching watchband and belt—anyway I was positive that she was the one.

Perhaps you noticed her too? It was last Friday night at that Frat House with the white pillars—I can never remember its name—anyhow you know the one I mean.

I first saw her standing there at the entrance to the dining room, where tapes were playing and people were dancing. She looked so unlike all the other girls as she stood there in her kelly green monogrammed sweater, navy blue (except for those little green grogs, whales or whatever) skirt and topsiders—I knew she was different from the word go.

I slowly made my way toward her speaking casual greetings to friends (and anyone else I passed) hoping that she would notice my popularity and charm. When our eyes first met she sort of smiled (naturally she was shy) so I decided the first line would have to come from me.

"Hi—can I get you a beer?"

"What?" she replied. It occurred to me at first that she might not have heard me over the blaring music, but more than likely she was probably trying to play hard to get so I decided that I would go along with her game.

"WOULD YOU LIKE A BEER," I repeated. This time she had to admit she heard me and she nodded in approval. As we walked to the patio we introduced ourselves and exchanged vital statistics such as hometown, year in school and major.

There was a slight line as we reached the keg so I explained to her that this frat had the best beer on campus. She looked a little puzzled so I went on to clarify my statement by admitting that although it was the same brand served by other Frats, it was their specially designed aluminum kegs that made all the difference. Needless to say, this really impressed her.

As we drank our beers we chatted about many things such as her recent trip to Europe and her Daddy's business, and when we were finished we decided to dance.

During the next hour or two we spent equal time between the dance floor and the beer keg and finally ended up on the couch engaged in stimulating conversation. Before we could go further I felt that she should know my true motive for trying to get to know her. I confessed that I was the Ring-tum Phi's star investigative reporter and that I must have her (figuratively speaking) for an in depth interview.

She was of course, over-

whelmed that she should be the one chosen for my probing article, and then meekly blushed and said she only hoped she would be able to satisfy my needs. I quickly assured her that the pleasure was indeed mine.

She smiled and I slipped my arm around her waist (merely to reassure her), and then led her off to my posh Woods Creek apartment where I traditionally conduct such nocturnal investigations. I dare say you would scarcely believe all I uncovered in this extensive and prevailing interview (which only proves that Mom was right about beauty being more than skin deep), and although we

were both exhausted by Sunday afternoon when we bid adieu, we were nevertheless completely satisfied with our endeavor.

But now dear readers comes the sad part of my story upon your sympathy and understanding toward the cruel trick which fate has played on me. On returning from the Cockpit Sunday night, I found that the tape on which I had recorded my entire interview had been (expletives deleted) erased. Alas my friends I have no record of my deepest and most satisfying probe, but all is not lost—I still have some great photos—perhaps they can be arranged into a pictorial for next week's Phi.

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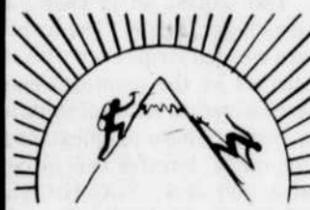
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# Entertainment

## Higgins Chairs DuPont Showing

by Yage Staunton

Doug Higgins has an exhibit of paintings and drawings in the DuPont Gallery through Oct. 5.

The exhibit is made of three groupings of material. The most prominent is a series of oil paintings of chairs. There is a selection of pencil drawings. Plus there is a series of mixed media ensembles.

The large, colorfilled oils of chairs have twisted and exaggerated parts of the object. The parts of the chair patch in evenly applied color. Higgins tries to "flatten out the painting." He said that he aims only to paint. He tries not to create an "illusion on paper representing a three dimensional object." The oils are of two sets, one using oil and gaouch and the other only oil.

The oil and gaouch are snappier and are more preplanned. They remind me of the packaging for a Matchbox car, or Saturday cartoons on color TV. The words help present the picture as a literal work. Higgins describes it as a dialogue between himself and the paper.

"CAFÉ-CHAIR-NANTUCKET" has purple and green strips making up the backing and seat of the chair. The white armrests spread across the paper. There are touches of pink almost on a horizon that are distinctive. There are no shadows. Shadows are real, he's painting a picture.

The second set of chair oils are bigger, cruder. The frames are wooden strips even with the surface of the painting. Their are swiped on bands of color for a frame. These paintings have the quick, forceful look of construction work. "NANTUCKET STREET CHAIR" has the startling colors webbed across black for tar.

The sketches are squiggles from the color pencils and thin black outlines. The sketches are exercises with color and form. They are a held lysergerized vision, almost a flash-back. He gives typical touristy pictures of seascapes, landscapes, and museum foyers. He overexposes color groupings to form a scene. With his drawings Higgins says he "represent a quick record of my concept."

Higgins aim of two dimensional pictures is conceptualized with his mixed media. They are collages of magazine cutups of bits of chairs, patches of pencil color, tape around the sides, and graph paper. These images represent a real chair as much as an accountant's graph represents what happens in the selling place.

A friend said "some of it is really good, some of it is really absurd. Like the prices."

To accurately recreate the images of effects of Higgins' work I'd have to show you the rough draft of this. That wouldn't be good but it would be better.



These paintings are a sample of Doug Higgins' works, ranging from oils and pencils to mixed media ensembles. photo by John Lowe

## Eye and Ear: from the Bookstore

Signal flags are waving all over the place. Washington and Lee alumnus, Tom Wolfe, '51, has just published what looks to be a top-notch, solid best seller. In *The Right Stuff* Wolfe has turned his keen eye and kinetic prose to a history of the first seven American astronauts, a' la the New (now read middle-aged?) Journalism.

Tom Wolfe's prose fires off like a capsule on top of a 13-story pencil loaded with compressed explosive. His story of the selection, training and exploitation of the early space explorers is worthy of his razzle-dazzle style.

According to remembrances of Tom Wolfe's days at Washington and Lee there were no hints of the flamboyance to come. Charles McDowell, in an article in the Alumni Magazine, Spring 1965, says Wolfe was "a good student, good influence and a promising writer," with an "ambition to be the world's greatest pitcher". He did succeed in managing the baseball team. He also was sports editor of the Ring-tum Phi, and contributed to Shenandoah, W&L's literary magazine. After

graduation in 1951 he went to Yale getting a PhD. in Sociology, which he has called "the social side of political activity among writers."

His subsequent career as an enfant terrible in New York journalism is being retold these days in *Time*; *Saturday Review*; and lead articles in the *New York Times Book Review* and *Chronicle of Higher Education*. No word, however, is in the *New Yorker*, a magazine that Wolfe has written about with less than reverence.

His two most recent appearances at W&L were both colorful. In the dead of winter, 1967, he spoke in Lee Chapel dressed in his customary white suit with a chartreuse chifon handkerchief cascading from his pocket. Then in May, 1974 while wearing a black gown over his white suit, a blue and white hood was placed on his shoulders: an Honorary Doctor of Letters from his Alma Mater.

Today, the frustrated pitcher has become a wide receiver of praise and attention for his latest blast-off. Terrific, as he would say.

Betty Munger

## Dublin Debaters Challenge W&L

A team of debaters from University College in Dublin will visit Washington and Lee University today to challenge the W&L team on the proposition that "America is governed not by policies but by public relations."

The visitors will argue against the assertion. The Washington and Lee men—junior Steve Bigler and senior Sam Perkins—will take the affirmative side. All community members are invited to witness the showdown, which is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. in Lee Chapel on the campus.

The match is one of 30 stops in America for the foreign team, whose tour is an annual event sponsored by the Speech Communication Association's committee on international discussion and debate. But for the first time since before World War II, the visiting debaters are from Ireland. The two young men, Donal O'Donnell and Conor Gearty, have formidable debating credentials—they have never been defeated as a team since their first pairing three years ago, and their time together has been marked by

numerous awards and honors.

In last year's encounter, a team from Cambridge University brought down the house as it took the affirmative side on the topic "Resolved: That This House Would Re-Elect Jimmy Carter." Washington and Lee's team, as might be expected, felt quite at home with the negative side, and aided by the fact that the winners are always decided by audience vote, triumphed in the end. Time will tell whether the luck of the Irish will be better than that of their English predecessors.

## UCC Puts Bands In Cockpit

by Alan Kendrick

The University Center Committee, under chairman Jamie Small, has been formed this year to provide a consistent schedule of good bands in the Cockpit for W&L students. Already, the UCC has made plans to bring the Allstars here on Oct. 4th.

In the past year or so, under the guidance of Burr Datz, more and more bands have been brought to the Cockpit to provide a variety of live entertainment to students.

According to Small, Datz and others originally had to actively seek out bands to play here, but now the bands are beginning to call the Cockpit. "The Cockpit is beginning to get on the map And hopefully we'll be able to draw even more bands from Atlanta, D.C., New York, and other big cities," said Small.

Small also reported that he had spoken with Mr. Gerry Darrell, Director of University Dining and Food Service, and found Mr. Darrell receptive to having more bands in the Cockpit. The Cockpit staff also wants to see more bands play here.

On a few occasions last year, a band was booked on the spur of the moment, and the staff was caught short of help, but the UCC plans to work with the staff this year and notify them of all shows well in advance.

Small commented, "I want to see the independents get a better deal for social life, and the freshmen, being so close to the Cockpit, also stand to benefit. The entertainment brought here will provide everyone with a good alternative to the usual fraternity parties. By providing a steady place for entertainment, we can afford to go down the road less by bringing the road here."

Small added that because students are not compelled to come to Cockpit attractions, as they are to their own prepaid fraternity parties, the faculty would probably have no objections to weeknight bands.

A large variety of bands was provided last year, and Small said this year would be even better. "We will get everything from punk rock to jazz, southern, and blue grass. If anyone wants to see a certain type of music, we'll try to get it in here."

Small added, "I hope students are as psyched as I am about getting good live entertainment this year. It's your Cockpit and we want to help you get the most out of it."

**Review**

# Meatballs: Bill Murray

**MEATBALLS** directed by Ivan Reitman written by Len Blum, Dan Aykroyd, and Harold Ramis with Bill Murray, and Chris Makepeace

by Dash Coufal  
Meatballs has no plot, three sub-plots, and Bill Murray. The movie is obviously designed to be a vehicle for Murray and rhaps as a consequence flows like an endless series of short Saturday Night Live skits. He could enter the movie in the middle and still understand all the free sub-plots with no difficulty.

Murray plays the head of the senior counselors, there is a rivalry going on between Camp One Star (Murray's) and Camp Mohawk (an exclusive rich kid's camp), there is a boy named Rudy (Chris Makepeace) who needs to find acceptance among his peers, and Murray is after one of the girl's counselors named Roxane. Murray's camp wins the inter-camp olympics, Rudy ends friendship with Bill and acceptance with his peers, and Murray and Roxane decide to live with each other after the summer ends. And that's that. The bits and scenes are about a par with Saturday Night. The

humor is cleaner though, it's less profound, the sex is rude rather than sick, and on the whole the tone of Meatballs is more enthusiastic and less cynical.

Ivan Reitman's direction is mediocre. Rife with uninspired camera angles and editing, the movie works chiefly because of the strength of the humor and skill of Murray. Reitman did a far better job as Co-producer of Animal House.

Meatballs is pale compared to Animal House. Without a stronger plot the humor of Meatballs, while funny, can never achieve the moments of Animal House. While I saw Animal House three times, I doubt I will see Meatballs again.

No, I have no idea what "Meatballs" refers to.

Having now seen the previews to both North Dallas Forty and Meatballs I am amazed at how poor they (the previews) are. Neither preview tells one much about the movie, and both take disparate scenes and re-edit them to create new punch lines.

The preview to North Dallas Forty has a tone completely opposite that of the movie and is downright misleading. The Meatballs preview gave away a good number of punch lines, so that during the movie I found myself saying, "Oh, this must be where he says...." thus wrecking the joke.

Both of these previews manage to mislead the viewer, and don't flatter the picture. So who came up with these things?

Now, get out of here you maniacs.



Rehearsals for the University Theatre production of Hamlet have begun. Look for a story on the production's progress next week.

photo by John Lowe

## WLUR Airs Philharmonic On Sundays

New York Philharmonic Radio Broadcasts will be heard on WLUR-FM, Washington and Lee University's student-operated radio station, beginning Sunday.

The station, which broadcasts at 91.5 FM, will present the two-hour program each Sunday at 6 p.m. This is the third consecutive season for the highly acclaimed series.

For the second year, the orchestra will be led by music director Zubin Mehta, with the assistance of nine guest conductors throughout the year, including Erich Leinsdorf, James LeVine and Leonard Bernstein, former Philharmonic conductor.

Among the soloists who will perform this season are Leontyne Price, soprano; Andre Watts, piano; Itzhak Perlman, violinist; Marilyn Horne, mezzo; and Luciano Pavarotti, tenor. Major choral works scheduled, featuring the Westminster Choir, are Mendelssohn's "Elijah," Bern-

stein's "Chichester Psalms," and Verdi's "Four Sacred Pieces."

New York Philharmonic broadcasts on WLUR are made possible by a grant from the Ex-

xon Corp. and by funds from W&L's Department of Journalism and Communications.

## Concert Guild To Meet

The Washington and Lee Concert Guild held its first meeting Sept. 20 for a discussion of coming events and the activities of the Guild's board members.

Seminars conducted by guild members, discussing the music to be performed, will be presented during the week preceding each concert. These seminars will be open to all interested students. The time and place of the seminars will appear on the weekly calendars.

Student and faculty admission is free to all concerts presented by the Guild.

John Risch was elected president and Quinn Peeper was elected activities chairman. Members of the Guild are John Risch, Quinn Peeper, Stuart Mason, Allen Gahan, Art Bloom, George Vermilya, and Jeff Oosterhoudt.

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# Sports

## From the Pressbox:

### Only J.V. ?

by Ray McNulty  
Sports Editor

Junior varsity sports are alive and well at W&L.

Despite a lack of emphasis, W&L's six JV teams continue to serve as both a "feeder" program for the varsity squads and an avenue for student participation in intercollegiate athletics. The six JV programs—soccer, basketball, tennis, lacrosse, water polo and this year, football—are all considered integral parts of their respective varsity programs. Almost all of the varsity coaches whose programs include a JV team said the JV has been a big plus for their program.

Several of the coaches feel that the JV teams allow them to develop future players for the varsity squads. They said they could accomplish this by letting freshmen get actual game experience on the JV level before letting them play for the varsity. However, each coach has his own philosophy about the role the JV program should play.

JV basketball coach Jim Casciano, who also assists varsity coach Verne Canfield, described the JV program as "a feeder program to the varsity." "We hope to get a couple of players out of each freshman class," explained Casciano, "It also provides the opportunity for freshman members of the varsity squad to get some playing time on the JV level." This philosophy has proved successful for Canfield as three members of the varsity team—Tom Jeffries, Pete Farrell and R.J. Scaggs—are graduates of the JV program.

Varsity soccer coach Rolf Piranian also considers the JV to be a feeder program to the varsity. Piranian considers the JV to be a vital part of the varsity program and said he has done "a lot of work" to upgrade it. The coach said he likes to consider the JV as a "B-team" and treats the players on both squads in the same manner. Contrary to the philosophy of the other coaches, Piranian likes to bring several JV players up to the varsity team at the end of the JV season. One of this year's captains of the varsity, Doug Seitz, is just one of several players on the varsity roster who spent time on the JV level.

Probably the strongest of the JV programs is the JV lacrosse team. Every year the varsity squad includes at least one former JV player. Former JVers on last year's team were captain Sandy McDonald, Art Caltrider, Mark Ottinger and Bart Peaslee. A few years back, Doug Fuge worked his way up from the JV level and was rewarded his senior year when he was selected as an honorable mention All-American.

Varsity coach Jack Emmer tries to limit the JV program to freshman and sophomore players who have aspirations of making the varsity. "I think the JV has allowed us to keep people involved in the lacrosse program and at the same time allowed younger players to develop their skills before moving up to the varsity level," said Emmer. He added that "the JV program has also helped stimulate interest in lacrosse on campus."

Despite the popularity of the JV lacrosse program, Emmer finds himself without a JV coach. Former JV coach Rolf Piranian will become a full-time trainer at the end of the fall season and will not coach the JV this year. Emmer said he is still uncertain about the situation.

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## Just Call Him 'Hoops'

by Dave Murray

"I came here for the challenge of playing the best lacrosse in the country," says W&L midfielder John Hooper. He thinks about it and then adds, "but don't make it look like the only reason I came here was to play lacrosse." He laughs.

Hooper arrived at the Co-op wearing a white cowboy hat. He has just come from his home in the country, a silver trailer named the "Submarine." He has also brought along his two dogs. When asked about himself, he would rather talk about the team.

"The big names are all gone," he said, "I don't mean that we don't still have some excellent players, but the Fritzes and the Blacks—they're gone. What's left is a nucleus of team players, very close players...instead of relying on a couple of guys, everybody's gonna have to contribute."

Last spring, Hooper was elected by his teammates to serve as a co-captain along with second-team All-American goalie Bob Clements. Coach Jack Emmer said of Hooper, "He sets a fine example and I think his teammates appreciate that."

Hooper spent his freshman year at the University of Vermont. He had been a three-sport star in high school in Maplewood, N.J. He played guard and linebacker on the football team, midfield on the lacrosse team and also played hockey. He decided after his freshman year to transfer to W&L and concentrate on lacrosse.

It was never easy. His sophomore year, before the season started, Hooper suffered from bursitis in his hips. Emmer stuck with him even though he could not run for a while. Finally, the doctors were able to help and Hooper says now that he has only occasional pain.

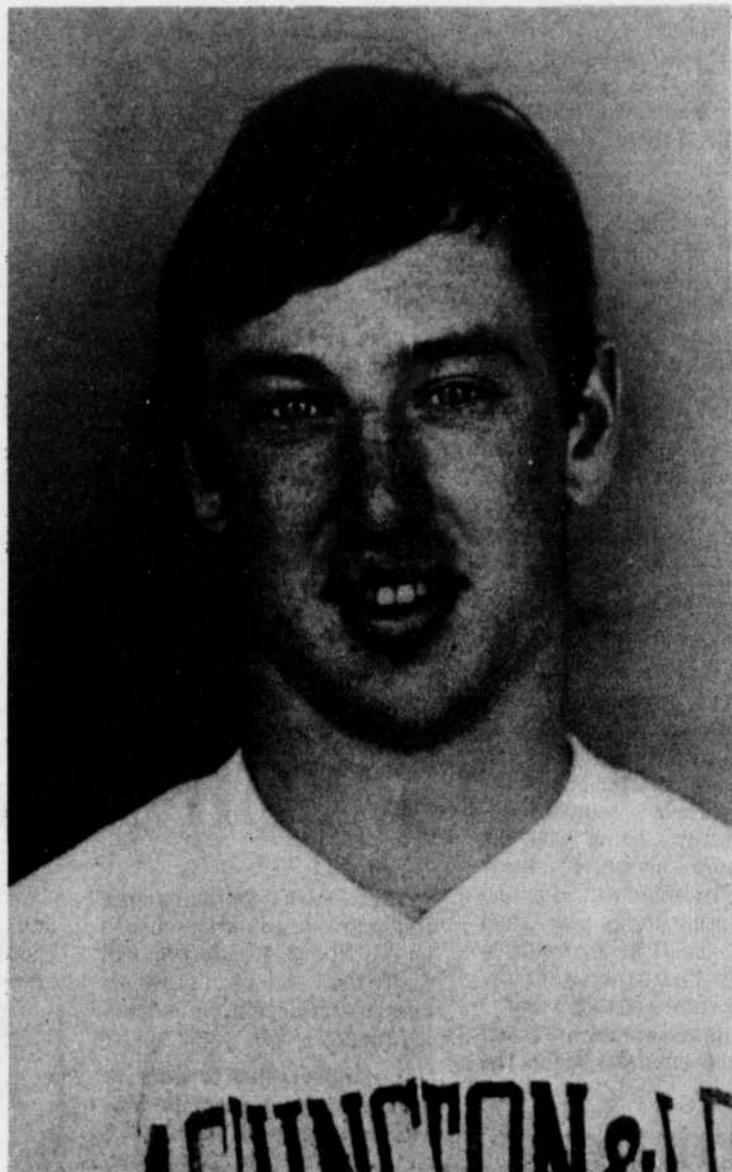
But Emmer's faith paid off. "He never lost his enthusiasm when he got hurt," said the coach. Hooper soon developed into a fine midfielder and a key player for the Generals.

Junior midfielder George Santos remembered his first impression of Hooper: "When I first came here I thought he was nuts." He continued, "Here's this guy who has just transferred, running around with a marine haircut and growling on face-offs. But after you get to know him...he's different."

Hooper shared the face-off duties with Clements and others during his first season. He also saw action as a defensive mid-die Hooper made a lasting impression on the W&L fans with his hard hitting.

Hooper has never been a flashy offensive player, although he moves well without the ball. He is a cutter. Emmer notes, "John's a hard worker who gets the most out of his ability."

The NCAA changed the face-off rule before the start of last season to speed up the game. In-



Co-Captain John Hooper

stead of a face-off after each goal, the ball was brought into play at midfield by the team that was scored on. This prompted the use of defensive midfielders—specialists—and Hooper was one of them. He also contributed at the other end of the field with eight goals.

This year, the face-off rule has been changed back to the way it was. Hooper will share the duty with Joe Olive and others. Again he hesitates to talk about himself.

"On any given day, our face-off guys can stay with anybody...everybody's got their own tricks. Between all of us, we'll get our share. The face-off is supposed to be individual, but here it doesn't have to be," said Hooper.

So how does a defensive mid-die get to be a captain? Manager Palmore Clark explains, "People really respect

Hoops. He's just so intense. He knows when to let loose at practice and at games...that's what he's there for."

Emmer says of his captain, "John's his own man. He won't be afraid to speak up and tell someone he's out of line. He's more outspoken than captains of the past."

One teammate called Hooper the most physical player on the team. Last season on the spring trip, he broke W&L attackman Pere Robert's collarbone during a collision at practice. "He popped me like he usually does," said Roberts.

Hooper's "play hard-practice hard" philosophy is simple. "Well, you know," he said, "there's an old saying—Saturday is wash day...whatever you've done during the week comes out on Saturday." And Hoops seems to Sparkle on Saturdays.

## This Week In Sports

September 28-29

Tennis at Navy Fall Invitational Tournament, (Annapolis, Md.);

Water Polo at Johns Hopkins Invitational

Tournament, (Baltimore, Md.)

September 29

Football vs. Randolph Macon College, Away;

Cross Country vs. Roanoke and Norfolk

State Colleges, at Salem.

Soccer vs. Eastern Mennonite College,

Home 2 p.m.

Rugby vs. Longwood College, Home 2 p.m.

(Law School field)

September 30

JV soccer vs. Lynchburg College, Away

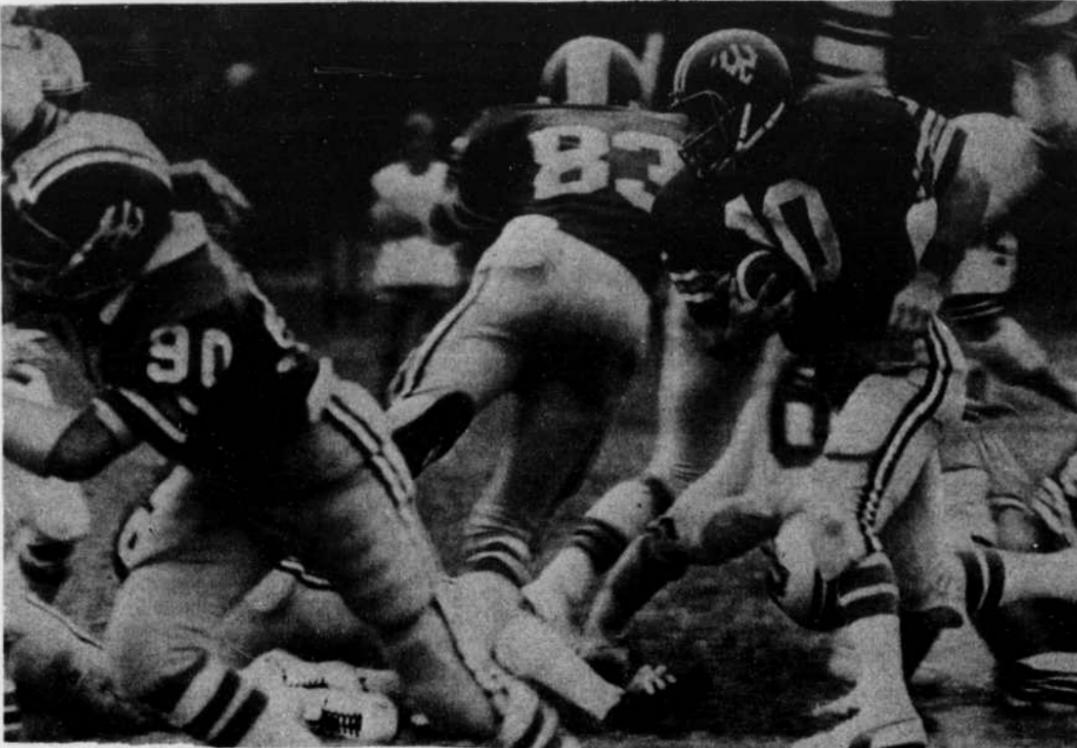
October 2

JV soccer vs. University of Virginia,

Home 3 p.m.

October 3

Soccer vs. Davidson College, Away



Junior Chris Leiser enroute his 93-yard kickoff return. Leiser's touchdown enabled Generals to defeat Centre 14-10.

# We Won!

## Leiser Return Gives W&L 14-10 Win

by Dale Park

Last Saturday when Centre College won the toss and elected to receive the ball, head coach Gary Fallon also allowed the Colonels to pick which goal they wanted to defend. "The kids were flat before the game", said Fallon, "and I thought that letting the Colonels have their own choice might get our players excited."

This philosophy obviously paid off. Led by a superb defensive effort, the Generals upended Centre College 14-10.

On the Colonel's very first play from scrimmage, Centre's running back, Jim-Bob Green, fumbled and an alert defensive back Gene Newton recovered for the Generals on the Colonel's 38 yard line.

W&L quickly capitalized. Sophomore Jim Wenke, making his debut as W&L's starting quarterback, lead the Generals to the one yard line in seven plays, setting up tail-back Stewart Atkinson's touchdown plunge. The conversion was good, making the score 7-0 W&L.

This proved to be the only scoring drive the Generals had

all afternoon. But if the offense had its problems, the defense surely did not.

The Colonel's only touchdown drive came as a result of an intercepted Wenke pass which was taken to the General's 13 yard line. Behind the running of Mike Shannon, the Colonels scored what proved to be their only touchdown of the day. After a successful two-point conversion, Centre had the lead 8-7; but only for the moment.

On the subsequent kickoff, Leiser took the ball at his own seven yard line. Slicing up the middle behind a well-formed wedge, the junior slot-back raced 93 yards for a touchdown.

"Leiser's run was a big lift" said Fallon, "Because he immediately countered Centre's previous scoring drive."

For the day, Leiser gained 110 yards on two kickoff returns. He gained an additional 15 yards on two carries from scrimmage and 10 yards on two pass receptions.

With the conversion successful, the Generals took the lead 14-8 never to trail again.

The only other scoring that took place in the first half oc-

cured as a result of a W&L mistake. Late in the second quarter, while attempting to punt from their own endzone, an errant W&L snap flew over Syd Farrar's head, crossing the endzone backline. The safety left the score at 14-10 as the half came to an end.

Both teams lost the ball through fumbles three times, yet the Generals actually threw more interceptions (two) than Centre (one).

Despite an offense which stagnated due to missed opportunities, the defense pulled through. Defensive standouts were sophomore noseguard Mike Pressler, who recovered a fumble, and Newton, who intercepted a pass to go along with his earlier fumble recovery.

Next week the Generals travel to Ashland to face Randolph-Macon College. Macon, 1978 ODAC Champions, are favored to repeat as champs again this year. Both offensive and defensive units have seven starters returning.

Game time is 2:00 p.m. at Day Field.

## W&L To Host North-South

Washington and Lee University will be the site of the 39th annual North-South Lacrosse All-Star game, the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association has announced. The event, which features the nation's top seniors, is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, 1980 and will take place at W&L's 7,000 seat Wilson Field.

"Washington & Lee University is delighted to have been chosen host for the North-South game," commented Generals' lacrosse coach Jack Emmer. "This game has traditionally been the showcase for the best

players in intercollegiate lacrosse, and the W&L community is excited about bringing the game and its associated festivities back to Lexington."

The announcement of the selection came from USILA president Dick Clower, Athletic Director at Western Maryland College, and North-South Committee Chairman Richie Moran, lacrosse coach at Cornell University. 1980 will mark the second time Washington & Lee has hosted the event, the first being in 1970.

Festivities for the event begin on Friday, June 13, with the All-

American Banquet. Saturday's game will involve approximately 54 players, who will be selected prior to the NCAA Championship in May. Coaches will also be announced at that time.

The South leads the 38-game series 19-17-1 (the 1964 game was called the "All-American Classic" and teams were chosen using a different format). The North has won the past five contests, including last year's 21-15 win at the University of Maryland at Baltimore County.

## Commentary:

### Hero For a Day

by Bill Whalen  
Asst. Sports Editor

The final score: Washington & Lee 14, Centre 10. Yes, make no mistake about it, the Generals actually won their first game of the season and in a most unlikely way—beating a team no one had given them a chance against.

Last Saturday, W&L was outrushed, outpassed, fumbled the same amount as their opponents and even received more penalties. But what the hell, a win is a win.

When a football team wins, the entire squad gets congratulated. But let's be honest, only twelve men deserve an ovation—the 11 players on defense and Chris Leiser.

The Generals' defense should have been paid time-and-a-half for last Saturday's performance. The defense caused four turnovers, including one fumble which resulted in one of W&L's two scores.

More importantly, the defense caused that turnover on Centre's first offensive play of the game, giving the Generals enough momentum to score twice. Still, the defensive heroics might have gone unnoticed had it not been for another player—Chris Leiser.

His height is listed at 5-8, he weighs 170 pounds and stands taller than only three other men on the squad. Chris Leiser would not be your first choice in a pick-up basketball game.

If you're starting a football team, however, it's hard to overlook this guy. How many other players can be used at quarterback, running back, wide receiver and even return kicks?

At the first three positions, Leiser can do an adequate job. Last Saturday, Leiser earned his keep by returning kicks—an art he perfected against Centre.

Having taken a quick 7-0 lead only to fall behind 8-7, the Generals had to be emotionally in the dumps. To pick up a team in this type of situation, you need a big play—which is where Leiser fits in.

All Leiser did was take a kickoff from his seven yard line and race 93 yards untouched for the Generals' final touchdown. Had Leiser not scored or had the defense not played as well as they did, the Generals would have probably lost because their offense was practically negligible after the first quarter.

Of course, anyone can run from one end of the football field to the other, but try it returning a punt or a kickoff with 11 angry players running towards you at full speed. It can be a fatal experience.

What made Leiser's run so special was the combination of three factors: good running, good blocking and a little luck. Leiser's teammates formed a solid wedge up the middle of the field, allowing the speedster to go relatively untouched for most of the jaunt.

By the time he reached the 30 yard line, Leiser made a quick cut that left him only one more opponent away from the goal line. That man was Centre's kicker, who fortunately did not seem too thrilled with the idea of trying to tackle Mr. Leiser.

In contrast to almost every other position on the field (excepting the two kicker spots), kick returning is a lonely job. With the ever-present danger of fumbling, it's not too big a leap from hero to goat in one afternoon.

He might fumble everytime he gets the ball this Saturday, but for the moment, Chris Leiser is a hero.

## Sports Notices

There will be a meeting for all Ring-tum Phi sportswriters on Friday, September 26 at 2 p.m. in the Cockpit. Anyone wishing to become a writer for the RTP sports department should also attend. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact either Bill Whalen or Ray

McNulty.

There will be a meeting for all students wishing to join the W&L swimming team on Monday, October 1 at 4 p.m. at the Cy Twombly pool. For further information, contact Coach Page Remillard at ext. 151.

# From the Pressbox

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Because of his late arrival at W&L, water polo coach Page Remillard was unable to recruit and is presently without a formal JV program. "I did my first recruiting during the freshman swimming test. From that alone I recruited seven freshmen who I'm very pleased with," said Remillard. He explained that because of a lack of numbers, there will be no formal JV squad this year but there will be one next year. Remillard is presently using his water polo physical education class as an informal JV program. The coach added, "The JV program will be developed as numbers dictate."

Although varsity tennis coach Gary Franke believes the JV program should act as a feeder in an idealistic sense, he said that realistically it often doesn't happen that way. "The JV team is idealistically for freshmen and sophomores who have aspirations of making the varsity," said Franke adding, "it allows them to develop their tennis skills and gain experience to help them." Realistically, Franke said, many of the JVers may not make the team, but will still have the opportunity to participate in intercollegiate athletics.

The newest addition to the JV family is the JV football team. The concept of a JV football program has been reborn under the leadership of varsity coach Gary Fallon. Fallon feels there is a definite need for a JV program at W&L. "We have 72 players on the varsity team, including 38 freshmen. It isn't possible to get everyone into the game," explained Fallon.

Fallon said the JV program will allow those on the varsity squad who are not playing to work on their individual skills and keep interested in the program. In addition to the second and third stringers on the varsity, the JV team includes 15 W&L students who were not playing football before. In all, about 50 players will comprise the JV football team. Fallon said that he hopes to make the varsity a junior and senior oriented team and let the freshmen work their way up through the system. The JV schedule already includes three games in October and Fallon hopes to add two or three more games. The games will be played on Monday afternoons so the varsity coaches can observe the younger players and so those varsity players also playing for the JV will have four days to prepare for the following week's varsity game.

Not only are the JV teams beneficial to their varsity programs, but they are also beneficial to the W&L student body. They allow for increased participation in intercollegiate sports. More students can get involved in these sports and gain experience in playing a sport they're not familiar with such as soccer, lacrosse or water polo.

JV sports also fit in very well with W&L's philosophy on athletics. Athletics are here for the students. Not everyone is good enough to play on a varsity team. And not everyone wants to participate in sports on the competitive level of a varsity program.

Although each coach has his own philosophy of what a JV program should be and include, the programs are here for the students. Intercollegiate athletics can be a very enjoyable and fulfilling experience. So if you can squeeze it in between homework and frat parties, a JV sport could be for you. Remember, many a star athlete started out on a JV team.

## Remillard Appointed to Swimming Committee

by Dave Johnson

First year W&L swimming and water polo coach Page Remillard has recently been appointed to the NCAA Swimming Committee. This committee is responsible for overseeing rule changes, validating records, and developing policy for national championship meets. Remillard becomes one of three Division III representatives on the twelve man committee.

The NCAA sponsors an annual meeting of this committee each spring. During the two-and-a-half day meeting, the committee discusses the rules of swimming and of the championships. The three Division III members also attend the division championships each year.

"I was very pleased and surprised at being appointed," commented Remillard, "and I am looking forward to working

with the national body of swimming." Remillard is impressed with the high caliber of coaches and swimming experts with whom he will be working on the committee.

Remillard's qualifications for the appointment are extensive. His administrative experience includes service on the NCAA Games Committee for the National Water Polo Championships in 1977 and service on the NCAA Division III National

Championship Meet Committee for swimming in 1978.

Remillard's coaching record was no doubt partially responsible for his appointment. In three years of coaching at Claremont Men's-Harvey Mudd Colleges, he coached 21 All-American swimmers, and twice finished in the national "top 10" in Division III. In his last year at the California school, his swimming team was fifth in the

## Outdoors: Fishing For Bass

by Jim Feinman

Barring another tropical depression, some of the best smallmouth bass fishing of the year will be available to anglers in the area.

The James River around Natural Bridge yielded some excellent catches at the end of the past week. The water level was low and clear and the cooler weather made the bass eager to strike. Some of the hot baits were Mepps spinners and balsawood minnow imitations.

By the middle of this week, the streams should have receded to a fishable level following the weekend's deluge. The Maury River will be a good spot from Goshen all the way to Buena Vista. The Maury is easily wadeable in low water as compared to the James, which is best fished from a canoe. The James is a large river with deep holes and strong currents. Only experienced boaters should voyage out on it.

Some of the smaller streams in the area, such as Buffalo Creek, will also provide good fishing for bass in the next couple of weeks. These streams are perfect for the solo angler who desires an hour or two of fishing in the afternoon.

Light spinning tackle with 4-6 test line is adequate for the Maury and the smaller streams. Anglers on the James might need 6-12 test line as several large muskies are taken from the river each year in the fall.

Spinners and medium depth lures will provide good action in most areas. Live bait, especially sculpins and hellgramites, can be deadly at times on the smallmouth.

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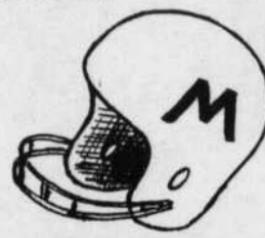
George Irvine reports little success on the doves during the past week. "I was out there all day Saturday and didn't see a bird. I even shucked corn for 'em but they wouldn't come in," said Irvine.

Edward Morrison, an avid amateur ornithologist, reports that the fall migration of many species of birds will begin soon. Morrison is on the lookout for ospreys, great blue herons, green herons, and many species of hawks. Morrison made at least one sighting of all these migratory birds last fall in the vicinity of his Buffalo Creek home.

## Grid Picks



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Washington	17	Washington	24
Tampa Bay	10	Tampa Bay	28
Chicago	16	Chicago	17
Cleveland	14	Cleveland	28
Houston	21	Houston	20
Pittsburgh	20	Pittsburgh	24
Philadelphia	16	Philadelphia	27
St. Louis	20	St. Louis	13
Rams	24	Rams	19
Jets	21	Jets	28
Miami	28	Miami	10



Soccer tri-captain Dana Samuelson preps for game against Richmond. Generals take on Eastern Mennonite Saturday on Wilson Field. photo by Alan Pryor

# Netmen To Play in Navy Tourney

by Frank Jackman

If past performances are any indication of things to come, Washington & Lee tennis fans have a great deal to look forward to this spring. The tennis team has started fall practice and the entire squad has returned from last year's highly successful season.

Last spring, the Generals totally dominated the Old Dominion Athletic Conference finishing fourth nationally in the NCAA Division III national tournament.

Leading the team this year are co-captains Dave Constine and All-American Stewart Jackson. Also returning from last year's squad are Robert Schuler, Wes Yonge, Pat Norris, Doug Gaker and Sumner Bouldin.

Fall tennis is designed primarily as a team tryout for spring. Over the next few weeks there will be challenge matches to decide positions on the roster. Among those challenging are eight promising freshmen who hope to give the upperclass players a tough time.

In addition to the practice calendar, the team plays a rigorous fall tournament schedule. During the fall, the Generals travel to Annapolis to compete in the Navy tournament against seven other schools from this part of the

country.

Following that, the Generals play in the Quadrangular James Madison Tournament against James Madison, Richmond and George Mason University. But without a doubt, the highlight of the fall schedule will be the annual Washington & Lee Invitational Tournament scheduled for October 14-15.

When the Generals open camp in the spring, they will face what is reputed to be one of the most difficult Division III schedules.

With 24 matches during the regular season, the stiffest competition should come from the University of North Carolina. Also, during the spring break, the Generals will head south to Florida to face some of the stiffest competition in that area.

Even at this early stage, Coach Franke has set forth three objectives: first to improve on last year's fourth place finish at the NCAA national tournament; secondly, to defeat the toughest competition possible; and finally, to again dominate the ODAC for the fourth consecutive year.

Coach Franke appears confident about both the fall and spring seasons. With the quality of players on the squad this year, it could prove to be the Generals' most successful season yet.

# Football, Tennis Begin In IMs

by Chris Sisto

Intramural sports for the 1979-80 season began this past week as both football and tennis kicked off their schedules with a full slate of games Monday. Both sports will run until October 11 with the finals concluding October 18.

The entire intramural program at Washington and Lee is under the direction of Verne Canfield and senior Joe Olive. Accorto Olive, "I do the organizing and the busy work while Coach Canfield makes sure the job gets done. He is full control and has the final say in all matters."

Olive expressed that he had only minimal problems in getting the season underway. The only two problems that exist are in football.

First, there is not enough space to play the games. Olive explained, "We have two teams more than we had last year and the use of two less fields, which is making the organizing a little more hectic." The second problem is a lack of referees. Olive urges anyone who is interested in being a referee and earning some extra money to contact him at the IM office, ext. 154.

Other than those two problems, Olive said the rest of the program is running smoothly. There are no rule changes in either sport this season nor are there any major organizational differences. Both sports have three divisions with 17 teams competing in football and 19 playing tennis. Eight teams will make the playoffs in each sport.

In football, last year's champion SAE has already lost its opener to Beta, 8-6. In tennis, the defending champion is Law 3.

# CC Team Wins

by Greg Branan

Despite running on an improvised five-mile course, the Washington and Lee cross country team opened its 1979 season with victories over Davis and Elkins and Mary Washington in last Saturday's tri-meet. Parts of W&L's regular course were impassable due to the rain.

Coach Dick Miller was "very pleased" with the team's showing at this point in the season. The final score was W&L-30, D&E-33, and Mary Washington-73.

Team captain Rich Bird placed second overall and first for the Generals in a personal best time of 25:55.

Placing fourth overall and second for the team was freshman Jon Kelafant, followed by Charles Warner in sixth place, Walter Anasovitch in eighth and Fred Caudell in tenth.

The Generals travel to Salem, Virginia next weekend to face Roanoke and Norfolk State Colleges. The team's next home meet will be homecoming weekend on October 6.

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## REVIEW and OUTLOOK

Editorial Opinion of The Ring-tum Phi

**Economics 101**

Although we have not received any official complaints from the faculty or administration, we have heard distant rumblings from the direction of The Hill about an advertisement we ran last week for "Research Papers." Now, everyone knows that "Research Papers" can be purchased and submitted by a deceitful student as his own work—that's called plagiarism, and plagiarism is a violation of the honor code.

So why did we run an ad advertising plagiarism? Well, for the money of course. Unfortunately, for all the high-minded, idealistic purposes behind publishing a newspaper, it takes money to "serve the interests of a free and democratic society."

We were hit by a hefty increase in our publishing costs this year which will necessarily expand our budget by \$7,000 if we want to put out a newspaper of any size and quality. Since the Executive Committee has not yet held its budget hearings and since we are not at all sure the student government will be willing to help us make up this awesome amount, we have to rely on advertising to make up our increased printing costs. Our advertising lineage for the first two issues is actually lower than last year, however.

Besides, we put a disclaimer above the ad advising interested students that use of the advertised material would be at their own risk. If Washington and Lee's Honor System is as strong as we are told it is, all of the University's students will ignore the ad while we still collect our money. We are also reminded of the story about the student who bought such a paper and turned it in as his own: the professor commented, "This is an excellent paper; it was also an excellent paper when I wrote it 20 years ago." Of course if some generous benefactor were to give us the money to make up for our increased costs, then we would be in a position to turn away such "dirty revenue" in the future.

**Creative Writing**

Our campus is one of the most beautiful in the country and we believe this can be attributed to the pride the students take in the school's appearance. Many of the larger State schools and less respected private institutions cannot make this claim as they enroll an element of undesirables who express themselves in socially unacceptable forms—we're referring to spray-painted graffiti.

In the past four years there has never been an incident we've seen of spray-painted graffiti written with the intent of communicating disparaging sentiments toward another fraternity. Such communiques can be seen on the footbridge and on many of the steps of the State school to the northeast. W&L gentlemen have always been above such sophomoric pranks, at least until Saturday night.

We doubt the student body will tolerate such behavior. It is unfortunate that an element exists among us who can only communicate with such a base form of expression. We have only seen a small incident, but we hope that unlike so many of the behaviorisms admired by the lemmings among us who can only function by conforming to the pack, this one act of social irresponsibility will be the last of its kind. We'd hate to see the Colonnade look like a subway station.

**Letters To The Editor**  
**Fancy Dress Complications**

Editor:

There is a movement afoot in the SAB to move the Fancy Dress Ball from the Student Center to the gymnasium. As advisor to the SAB Michael Cappeto stated, the crowds at Fancy Dress have become so big that we are facing a potential fire hazard. The crowd last year was nearly twice the legal limit.

From a fatalist's point of view, whether 3,500 or 5,500 go to the Ball, everyone will go up in smoke should there be a fire. Suppose all 3,500 manage to squeeze in the Dining Hall to watch an encore performance by Beau Dudley. Hypothetical, I realize, but so is a fire. Nevertheless, we face a tough decision.

What the issue boils down to is the privilege of alumni to attend Fancy Dress. Of the 5,000 who came last year, alumni accounted for 1,200 (including dates). Thus, the alternatives seem to be, as stated in the last SAB meeting, either to eliminate the carte blanche privilege of allowing alumni to come to Fancy Dress or to hold Fancy Dress in a place that would accommodate everyone, like the gymnasium or even Zollman's for that matter.

First of all, the notion of putting a first class gala event in the gym would be an anomaly. No matter how extensive the

**Parker Potter****Taking Issue With John Warner**

Prominent alumni can play a large part in enhancing the reputation of a school. However, after reaching former Secretary of the Navy John Warner's little torpedo in the premier issue of Shenandoah Valley Magazine entitled "My College Days at Washington and Lee," one almost wonders if the Senator, presently a member of the Board of Trustees, is a friend or foe of his alma mater.

Half of Warner's article is dedicated to prasing "The spirit of W&L." Washington and Lee's code of gentlemen" and "Washington and Lee, its campus and principles." The rest of the article is a self-serving tribute to Warner's derelictitude as a W&L student, his subsequent generosity, and his grave misunderstanding of what W&L is and what it can be.

Says Warner, "Washington and Lee's code of gentlemen the honor code, and the heritage of the school have guided me all my adult life." Let's deal with these three issues one at a time.

Warner claims allegiance to the "Code of Gentlemen," yet he finds it curious that he has been invited back to Hollins, Sweet Briar, Mary Baldwin, and Lynchburg College on speaking engagements. He attributes these invites to the fact that these schools have either "forgotten or forgiven (his) department as a W&L student." Great recruiting tool, that statement. Anything that needs to be

decorations are, the gym is still going to look like a gym. The idea of walking down a flight of stairs to the training room, a la Studio 54, strikes me as distasteful.

There is no way the gym can undergo the total and complete transformation that we have come to expect in recent years

**Persiflage****Success With Women**

Let's face it. To be "successful" with women, while at W&L, requires more than a clean button-down shirt or massive quantities of alcohol. The old "get 'em wasted" scheme might get you a few blurry experiences with some pock-marked blimps, but it is hardly going to earn you that desired "stud" label.

To really rack up the notches on your belt you have to be utterly unscrupulous. Forget that you are dealing with people. Your air is to maximize pleasure while minimizing the subtle effects of the warped female mentality.

Too many guys make the mistake of chasing the whole field at once. This strategy might pay off in the short run, but even future homemakers of America can figure out that they are being two-timed. A much better approach, one that has consistently scored high marks on the long term pleasure scale, is lying.

Now lots of people lie to get what they want, but they go about it haphazardly. I'm advocating a calculated scheme of organized deception.

First, you supply your target with enough sentiment so that it becomes easy for her to rationalize her future downfall. Then, you set out endearing yourself with her friends. Impress them with your loyalty and sincerity.

After a carefully orchestrated break-up, in which the "callous vamp" throws you to the wayside, these friends supply you with a new base from which to work. They'll be glad to connive against their ex-friend in their attempts to avoid becoming secretaries with a good background in art history.

Now is that difficult?

forgotten or forgiven couldn't have been too gentlemanly.

Warner claims to be big on the Honor Code, yet he boasts of making 50 cents a night "sleeping in" at VMI, filling the beds of wayward Cadets. Though this isn't exactly lying, cheating or stealing, it ain't real above board either. But perhaps the Honor Code stops at the property line.

More disturbing, though, than these trifles, more disturbing than Warner's espousal, the work hard-play hard myth, and even more disturbing than a prose style which suggests that Warner never saw the inside of Payne Hall, is his utter misunderstanding of the great potential of Washington and Lee, a potential based upon its rich heritage.

Warner's sole mention of academics is a passing reference to the well-worn work hard-play hard fantasy. He could have mentioned a few of W&L's truly great men, nor like James Leyburn who emphasized their commitment to the intellect, to honor, and to the gentlemanly ideal by quietly living it.

Instead, using the voice that he and only a few others can afford, Warner proposes a tradition rich in heroes like "jabbo... The 7-Eleven store of our day... (who) would deliver beer any time of the day or night, seven days a week."

I'm sure the prospects of fin-

in the Student Center. As a veteran of Fancy Dress Work Week and former chairman of the Paper Cutting Committee, I can tell you that the easiest thing to do in the world is to cut paper and tack it on a wall. But there's more to Fancy Dress decorations than that. There is the special attention to detail.

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ding a present day Jabbo at W&L has attracted a large number of qualified applicants.

It wouldn't be so bad if Warner was the only alumni with a warped sense of what W&L really is. But he isn't. I know a man a home, a prominent law professor, who, when he discovered that I went to W&L, couldn't wait to tell me about one of his fondest memories of the school.

Every homecoming and Fancy Dress his fraternity would buy an old piano, hoist it three stories with a rope and pulley only to drop it, to listen to the ping of the breaking strings. Then, of course, to make sure that all the strings pinged, they would set the piano ablaze.

And lest we forget, these masters of the framing were around during the hey day of big time W&L football. Gator Bowl and all that. And now these fellows are all reformed piano torchers looking for tax deductions to deserve to be (expect to be?) entertained on alumni Saturday afternoons at old Wilson Field, scene of their former glory. If W&L's big budget football program isn't aestretually pleasing it is at least cost effective in the long run.

With alumni like that as salesmen for the school can we honestly wonder why a few fraternities have a little trouble with late night noise.

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## Our Readers Write:

# What Is Wrong With The Ring-tum Phi?

## EC Pres Blasts Newspaper

Dear Students,

Every year I have anxiously awaited the printing of the Ring-tum Phi in hopes that the new year will provide accurate reporting of the important events on campus. I have been disillusioned each year, and alas, this year is no exception.

After reading the Phi's article on the new honor trial, I was disappointed to find it misleading and frankly incorrect in parts. If the Ring-tum Phi is to be the Washington and Lee community's paper, then it should concentrate on accuracy rather than controversy.

First, Randy Smith, this year's editor, misconstrued my statement concerning the extension of a request for a public trial. The statement in no way attempts to comment on a student's ability to receive a second honor hearing as Mr. Smith implied. I merely attempted to clear up an earlier problem the Phi had in understanding the situation.

Previously, the Phi had claimed that the granting of an extension of the 24 hour time period was unprecedented. This is simply not true. I quoted from the White Book in an effort to inform the student body that last year's E.C. had not overstepped its bounds in this matter. Last year's E.C. gave the accused an extension of the 24 hour time period, which is in perfect accordance with White Book procedure. My statement in no way attempted to comment on our granting the accused a private trial, as Mr. Smith stated.

Secondly, Mr. Smith said, "the situation for granting a second private honor trial was still unclear." Mr. Smith seemingly did not digest the entire statement issued because the initial paragraph dealt with

the granting of the second honor trial. As I quoted from the White Book: "A hearing may be reopened upon the production of new evidence directly bearing on the question of guilt or innocence or to prevent injustices." (Article L, p. 8).

Thirdly, the Ring-tum Phi claimed that "the non-suit papers had been drawn up for several weeks." Although this is correct, Mr. Smith's use of the word "however" cast doubt onto my statement that the suit was still pending. As of the printing of the article, the suit was still active.

Finally, Mr. Smith stated that I "would not answer any further questions about the case." This is a total misrepresentation of the facts, as anyone who was there will attest. I answered each and every question directed to me. When no further questions were asked, the meeting was adjourned. Obviously, what actually occurred is quite different from what was reported.

I write this not to instigate a Phi-E.C. conflict, but to inform the Washington and Lee community about the actions of its elected officials so that they will see this situation in the proper light.

Sincerely,  
Stephen H. Abraham  
Student Body President

*Editor's Note: The Ring-tum Phi regrets the implication in last week's EC story that no further questions were answered when, in fact, no other questions were asked.*

*We otherwise stand behind the story as written.*



## Student Upset With EC

Dear Editor:

An incident occurred at the Executive Committee meeting Monday night that distressed me considerably.

Steve Abraham disclosed that Northcross High School in Roanoke had requested a member of the E.C. to speak to its student body on the importance of the Honor Code. At this Abraham began to laugh, prompting laughter from one end of the table to the other, and commented, "Bag that."

After the laughter had died down, Abraham asked if any member of the committee did not have class before 10:30 a.m. on Friday, as Northcross was going to hold its assembly at 8:45 that morning. Mr. Fraser, the third year law school representative replied that he did not. Abraham asked if he would like to give the talk to which Fraser replied, "No." As an after thought Fraser added, "I don't think I'm

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## I Man Committee Assails Phi

Dear Editor:

In my opinion, your second editorial of the year had useful insight into the break-in case. Likewise, many of the Phi's new articles have been clear and thorough. However, so far, at least part of the Phi's content has been harmful, in bad taste, or at least trivial. A newspaperman's freedom to print what he likes, especially in a student-owned paper, does not justify uninhibited or unthoughtful self-expression.

First, it is reprehensible for the Phi to advertise for the sale of a ready-made term papers (page 8, September 20). The advertisement encourages violations of the Honor Code, plain and simple. Respect for the Honor Code is the thread of unity which runs through, or should run through, every aspect of Washington and Lee.

Second, there is no justification for slandering local women's colleges ("A

Freshman's Guide"). The Phi represents all W&L students to the public, and should consider the effect of articles on students' reputations, especially when the articles are unsigned.

Third, triviality makes poor reading. Please reduce the number of pages in the Phi, rather than "filling" with trivia. Photos with "isn't-that-cute" captions and the extraordinarily limp "Persiflage" would be grateful candidates for omission.

These opinions come from a committee of one and are certainly subjective. However, I think most students would agree that the Phi must continually reconsider the content of the paper, in light of its responsibility to the W&L community. Then the editors can confidently begin to sign their articles.

Sincerely  
Andrew Trotter



## Sweet Briar Student Blasts Phi

Dear Editor

I have more than a few words to say in response to "A Freshman's Guide to surrounding Girl's Schools"—a profile of Sweet Briar College (Sept. 13) written by some (naturally) anonymous journalist.

To begin with, in any type of profile, I feel that it is necessary to have an UNBIASED opinion in the mind of the author. It seems to me that this particular writer has had some out-of-the-ordinary encounters with our security force, as that is what he spent two-thirds of his article talking about.

Granted, our security system has become stricter since last year, but did the author ever stop to wonder why? Obviously some need for additional control must have presented itself. This need stems from the amount of unwanted trespassers (hence, the reason you are questioned at the gate) invading our grounds, and even more so, from the perpetual damage incurred last year from too many unaccidental "accidents" (such as throwing a 30 lb. cement receptacle through dorm windows). Personally, I agree with the additional control, as the money to cover such damages comes out of my pocket whenever the so-called "man" fails to report himself and own up to his responsibility.

Furthermore, the writer also seemed somewhat insulted that the security officers (which, by the way, are no longer

"rent-a-cops," if you don't mind) did not take to "a lot of lip, or a swing in their general direction." This to me is appalling. The least favorite aspect of a security officer's duties is the role of a disciplinarian. Why must the writer and others further burden this duty by harassing the officers and generally making a fool of themselves? Does this habit prove one's manliness or something? I've yet to figure it out.

Moreover, the writer mentions that there is a lack of women at Boathouse parties. Did he ever stop to think the reason behind it may be that there are few girls who would want to attend the same party as a guy with his kind of attitude? Most of the guys I know at W&L do not share his attitude, but of the ones I know that do, I, too, find my books more interesting.

Another point: I found it rather peculiar that the author feels a "meaningful relationship" can only be established after "pumpkin-time."

I happened to show a copy of the aforementioned article to a freshman at W&L on his first visit to SBC—which, by the way, he had not previously read. He stated that he had no problems with security and found the women here to be quite nice. After reading the article he said he probably would not have visited our school if he had read the article beforehand. Isn't

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# Warner Article Criticized

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One might suggest that a part of this dilemma is due to the fact that many of the men who are now becoming successful are significant alumni are men who attended W&L in the late 40's and early 50's as veterans of WW II and were thus a little wilder than your basic 18-year-old freshman. There even is a precedent for this phenomenon.

Quoting Henry Ruffner, a professor and president of Washington College, from the recently published history of Liberty Hall Academy, speaking about Revolutionary War veterans who enrolled in the academy:

"Many of these young men of the fields and woods had been taken away to camps and towns where depraved manners grew familiar to their eyes and corrupted their hearts. They on their return home too easily communicated their acquired knowledge of evil to their young

contemporaries... The number of those who studied amusement and roguery was so great as to make the teachers office exceedingly irksome and discouraging."

But the number of men who recognized and seized the intellectual opportunities offered by W&L suggests that an influx of veterans is far too simplistic an explanation for the problems illustrated by a perception of W&L such as that articulated by Warner.

A large measure of what could be termed an identity crisis stems from an imperfect understanding of W&L's heritage and tradition.

Senator Warner and many others trumpet the honor code and the ideal of the gentleman while bragging about exploits which run counter to both. Though their lip service seems to be their only service to these high ideals, they feel that they have somehow topped into the

W&L tradition.

Thus connected in some mythical way to the school, they vow to maintain the great traditions of which they are a part. Warner's goal as a Trustee is "to preserve Washington and Lee as (he) knew it and as (his) father knew it."

A key aspect of his preservation effort is a commitment to keep W&L all male. Other instances of "traditionalism" at W&L are numerous and obvious.

But the maintenance of these aspects, these superficial "traditions," the work hard-play hard myth, the exaggerated role of fraternities and other social indicators are not at the heart of the Washington & Lee tradition.

"Strict constructionalists" like Warner are too busy making sure the buildings stay red and white and the student body stays all male, to understand the heritage of men like William Graham and Robert E. Lee.

The five years of Lee's presidency are five of the most vibrant years in the school's history. Lee established the first school of journalism in the country, one of the first business departments in the country, and generally turned the curriculum upside down—reshaping it to serve the needs of the day.

The tradition of Lee is one of experimentation and innovation, one of excitement and change. Based upon the legacy of Lee, W&L should have been one of the first schools in the country to become co-educational, not doomed to be one of the last. Old Robert E. is probably in his crypt, in his chapel, spinning like a dervish over what the school named after him has done in the name of tradition.

It is said that Lee's father, Light Horse Harry, was probably influential in helping

George Washington decide to donate his 100 shares in the James River Company to the then Liberty Hall Academy in 1796. Just think what W&L would be like today if Lee had thought like John Warner and had tried to preserve the school his father knew.

We'd all be out of Mulberry Hill and the triumph and the quadrivium would seem like a major educational break through.

What I'm trying to say is that W&L is far too good a school to be trivialized and misinterpreted by Mr. Warner's drivel. And it has far too much potential as an educational institution to be encained by a limited notion of tradition which immortalizes piano stoked bon fires and Jabbo the beer man while it makes "honor", "education", and "gentleman" to pass" words to mouth, but not ideals to live by.



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## Honor Code

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qualified." Abraham ended the discussion by saying, "We'll call 'em back and tell them we can't make it this time."

My complaint is threefold. First, I think Mr. Abraham's conduct was inexcusable. His attitude will set the tone for every issue the E.C. addresses itself to this year. I realize that an E.C. meeting need not be a strictly formal affair, but I hope Abraham will use better judgment in the future in deciding what is serious and what is not.

My second complaint concerns Mr. Fraser's after thought. I am assuming that as a third year law student Mr. Fraser is an adequate public speaker, therefore, he meant he was not qualified to speak on the particular subject. In the course of the year, if not already, Fraser will be responsible to pass judgment in many honor trials. If Fraser is not familiar with the importance of the Honor Code, is he then qualified to judge an honor trial?

Third, I think the Executive Committee is responsible to represent the student body in all respects. Failing to send a speaker was not only rude but stupid. The E.C. missed an excellent opportunity to enhance Washington and Lee's image outside of the community. Opportunities such as this do not occur often. If the opportunity arises again I strongly urge the Executive Committee to take advantage of it.

Sincerely  
Jim Feinman

## Sweet Briar

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it a shame that the misrepresentation of Sweet Briar College in your newspaper may cut out one-fifth of the area's women from your other freshman?

I am very proud to attend this college and to see it so grotesquely portrayed hurts me deeply. Especially when this portrayal was written by a student from a school I admire. Sweet Briar College has a great deal more to offer than an effective security force and crowded parties. I feel that if the editor cannot choose a journalist who will report an assignment of this sort without bias then he should eliminate the article altogether. Thank you for the opportunity to air my views.

Sincerely  
Kit Johnson  
Sweet Briar College  
Class of 1982

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