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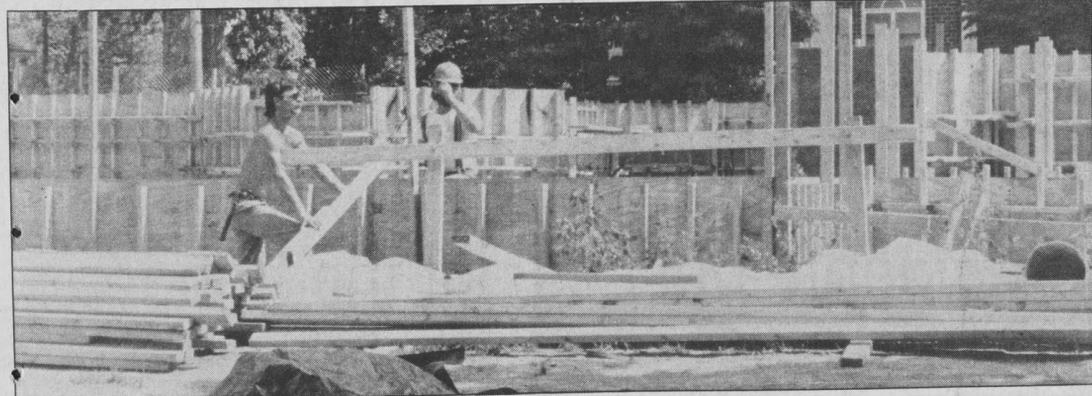
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On the left, workers raise the frame on the future Watson Gallery.

Gallery takes shape

By JOSHUA MANNING
Phi Managing Editor

If you need to get to duPont Hall this term, don't take the Colonnade. The hole in the ground blocking the way will be there for a while.

The future Watson Gallery, which will fill that hole, is slated for completion in February.

University Coordinator of Capital Planning Frank Parsons said the project looks behind schedule, but the projected completion date has not been changed.

Until then, Parsons said, people will just have to walk around it.

"Building the library shut down all the back campus for several years," Parsons said. "You can endure it. It's not always pleasant, but you can't build a building without inconvenience."

The Watson Gallery, an extension of the Reeves Center, is will house a collection of antique Chinese furniture, jade pieces and porcelain donated by Mrs. William Watson, whose husband was a 1929 W&L graduate. The collection is valued at over \$6 million.

Besides shifting the campus traffic patterns, Parsons said the greatest problems created by the construction site will be the noise and dust cast on the nearby buildings, the

most affected area being the five classrooms on the fourth floor of Tucker Hall.

While the most noisy and dusty phase of the project, excavation, has now been completed, air conditioners have been installed in the Tucker classrooms to combat the problem while classes are in session.

Professor Laurent Boetsch, head of the Romance languages department, said faculty members working in Tucker are happy with that solution.

Boetsch said a planning group anticipated the noise problem last spring.

"We simply would not be able to teach with the windows closed [due to the heat]," Boetsch said. "And certainly we could not leave them open due to the noise and dust."

The language departments briefly considered canceling all classes on Tucker's fourth floor, possibly shifting them into extra rooms in Parmly Hall and the Military Science building. But Boetsch said that solution was rejected.

Construction of the gallery, which is being funded by a separate donation from Watson, will not go over its \$800,000 budget, University Treasurer Lawrence Broomall said.

"I've been told by the Board of Trustees that it won't go over budget, Broomall said. "Therefore, it will not."



Photos by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

The sidewalk from the Colonnade to duPont Hall will remain blocked until February.

Hughes not indicted

By GREGORY PATTERSON
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A Rockbridge County grand jury Tuesday refused to indict former W&L senior Richard Hughes on attempted rape charges.

Hughes, who was a senior last year, had been charged with attempting to rape [redacted], a 20-year-old Sweet Briar College student, on May 10 at the Phi Gamma Delta house.

Hughes' diploma was being withheld pending the completion of the case, but Dean of Students David Howison said Wednesday the faculty will probably deal with the matter at its next regular meeting.

Howison said it is formal faculty policy to withhold the degree of any student charged with a felony.

In Hughes' preliminary hearing in Rockbridge County General District Court June 30, visiting Judge James Joines denied a motion by the defense to dismiss the charges, but he told prosecutor Eric Sisler the case was not a strong one, according to local newspaper accounts.

"I'd hate to be on the jury that convicts him with the evidence that I've heard," Joines said.

[redacted] testified in June that she spent the evening of May 10 at a party at the Fiji house trying to avoid Hughes, whom she already knew. Shortly after midnight, she said, Hughes, a member of Fiji, pulled her into a room, forced her onto a bed, lay on top of her and started to pull her clothes off in an attempt to have sex with her.

W&L, SBC students react to decision. See page 6

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City enters voting dispute with letter to college students

By RICHARD PELTZ
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It looked like the bitter battle between students and the city registrar over voter registration was finally over. Then, last Thursday, Lexington City Council threw its hat into the ring.

After a circuit-court order in May upholding City Registrar Lucille Joyce's refusal to register second-year law student Chris Kowalczyk to vote in Virginia, Kowalczyk filed his intent to appeal to the Virginia Supreme Court.

But that appeal died 55 days later when Kowalczyk failed to file a required statement explaining his side of the case, Rockbridge County Circuit Court Clerk Bruce Patterson said. So the courts endorsed Joyce's decision-making.

That case struck a blow to one of Mayor H.E. "Buddy" Derrick Jr.'s defenses of Lexington's tax on student cars, which applies even to students who do not vote in the city.

When students complained about taxation without representation in the fall of 1991, Derrick said that students who did not like the tax could register to vote and oust him from office.

The City Council then adopted a policy to encourage student voting, City Manager T. Jon Ellestad said. Now the council is publishing its policy in the form of open letters in The Ring-tum Phi and the Virginia Military Institute student newspaper.

Joyce worked with Ellestad to prepare the letter, but she later opposed City Council's involvement in the issue.

"The City Council has nothing to do with registration," Joyce said Tuesday.

The letter encourages students to carefully consider where they want to register. It also tells students what

questions to expect when registering.

"The registrar does have the authority to ask questions beyond what the application requests," the city's letter says, "as long as the registrar does not single out one class of applicants such as students, young people, or a particular racial group."

The controversy about who may vote stems from the word "domicile," which is not clearly defined in the Code of Virginia.

The law puts two requirements on people seeking to vote in Virginia. They must have a "place of abode" and be domiciled where they apply.

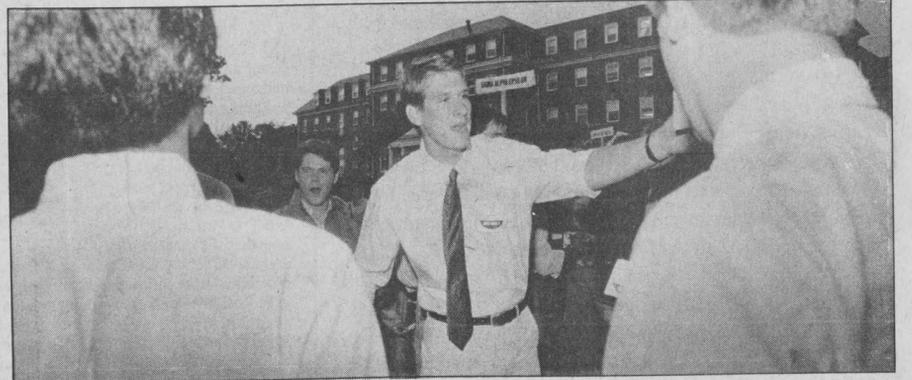
In determining domicile, the law says that "consideration may be given" to the applicant's financial independence, income taxes, marital status, parents' residences and registration of personal property, like a car.

But the decision is ultimately the local registrar's. In Kowalczyk's case, Joyce said he had not paid state taxes or registered his car in Virginia when he applied for residency.

But Kowalczyk said in May that he is financially independent, has a Virginia driver's license and last lived in his former home, Ohio, in 1980.

Kowalczyk would not comment for this story. The car tax is allowed under Virginia law if the car is kept in Lexington the majority of the fiscal year. The tax is 4.25 percent of the value of the car.

Lexington City Council writes an open letter to students on voting registration procedures. See page 2



File photo

A fraternity member calls out the names of freshmen before Open Houses during a past Rush.

Rush: 'Not just girls and beer'

By LEIGH ALLEN
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Ninety percent of freshman men are expected to participate when fall Rush begins with an IFC-sponsored band in the freshman quad Friday afternoon.

Interfraternity Council President Sam Rock said he expects a successful rush because of the large number of men in the freshman class.

"It could work out to be almost 16 guys per house," Rock said. "That's more than in the last few years."

Rock said the Rush schedule will be similar to last year's. However, Tear Night will differ from those in past years, Rock said, so as to decrease the number of injuries caused by excessive drinking.

Rock said Tear Night will begin at 5 p.m. on the last Friday of Rush with an alcohol-free party where bids will be accepted, followed by a band party from 8 p.m. until midnight.

IFC Vice President Tom Washmon warned fraternity members and rushers against violating the IFC contact rules.

IFC rules prohibit contact between freshmen and fraternity members except during formal Rush functions and "open contact" periods.

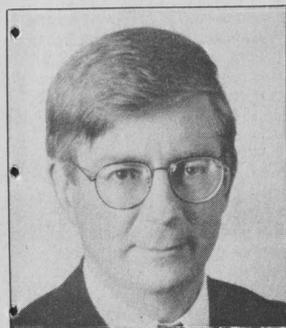
Fraternities can be fined up to \$500 and a freshman could lose his rush privileges for a first-offense violation, Rock said.

Rock said freshmen should keep an open mind about the houses and meet as many people as possible.

"The best fraternity for you might not be the one that throws the best parties," Rock said. "It's not just about girls and beer."

Will to speak at Convocation Friday

By LEIGH ALLEN
Phi News Editor



Will

George F. Will, syndicated columnist and author, will speak at Washington and Lee's Opening Convocation Friday at 11 a.m. in Lee Chapel.

Convocation is usually held on the first day of undergraduate classes to honor the senior class, but this year's service was delayed to accommodate Will's schedule.

Following Will's speech, the faculty will host a luncheon for the seniors on the front lawn.

Will's column appears in 470 newspapers across the country, including

The Ring-tum Phi. He won a Pulitzer Prize in 1977 for commentary.

In addition to being a television news analyst for ABC News, Will occasionally appears on "World News Tonight" and "Nightline." He is also a regular guest on "This Week with David Brinkley."

Will is the author of *Statecraft as Soulcraft*, *The New Season: a Spectator's Guide to the 1988 Election*, and *Men at Work: The Craft of Baseball*.

A 1962 Trinity College graduate, Will received his master's and doctorate degrees in politics from Princeton. From 1973 to 1976, Will was editor of *The National Review*.

W&L: Shiny, happy people

Says who? The Princeton Review's *Student Access Guide to Best Colleges*, which came out Tuesday.

In addition to the usual college guidebook information, the book includes students' ratings of colleges on everything from the worst dormitory rooms to the most boring classes.

Washington and Lee appeared on two lists, rating the tenth best-looking student body and the 13th happiest students, but didn't rank in the best academics.

The ratings were based on 70-question surveys sent to 245 campuses. One hundred students from each college responded.

Best-looking campus

- Denison University
- University of Richmond
- Miami University
- Texas Christian University
- Southern Methodist Univ.
- Vanderbilt University
- Howard University
- St. Lawrence University
- Bucknell University
- Washington and Lee
- Villanova University
- Middlebury College
- Clemson University
- Brigham Young University
- Univ. of Colorado — Boulder

Happiest campus

- Duke University
- Sweet Briar College
- Univ. of the South
- Colby College
- Hampden-Sydney College
- Northwestern University
- College of the Atlantic
- Dartmouth College
- Brown University
- Stanford University
- University of Dayton
- Rhodes College
- Washington and Lee
- Cal Tech University
- Deep Springs College

The Ring-tum Phi

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Guidelines we all can live with?

By now you have seen the front-page story on the grand jury's refusal to indict Richard Hughes on charges of attempting to rape Sweet Briar sophomore [redacted]. This case, along with other sexual misconduct cases, has prompted us to re-evaluate our guidelines regarding the names of complainants and defendants in such difficult situations.

In the past year, the W&L community has demonstrated that it is overwhelmingly against the disclosure of the accuser's name in most sexual misconduct cases. Nevertheless, we favor naming accuser and accused; doing so helps to de-stigmatize rape victims and keeps the community informed. And in the interest of fairness, we cannot continue to name the accused — regardless of his guilt or innocence — while protecting the accuser in every case.

If we were to do what we believe is right, we would likely lose our jobs. While we would not mind losing our jobs in defense of a principle, we must choose our battles carefully. Continuing to strengthen The Ring-tum Phi is worth a concession on this issue. Therefore we have developed a new set of guidelines, effective immediately, for sexual misconduct cases.

For sake of illustration, consider the conventional case of a woman charging a man with rape. When the charge is filed, the Phi will report the accusation, but without naming either person. Naming neither is preferable to having readers assume that the man is guilty, while allowing the woman to act as an anonymous accuser.

In the case of an acquittal or dismissal of charges, the Phi again will not name either person. The man will not have been proved guilty, and thus his reputation should not be injured. As long as both the man and the woman are innocent of any wrongdoing, they should receive the same treatment. And since community standards prohibit naming the woman, we will not name the innocent man.

In the case of conviction, the Phi will name the man but not the woman. We have no interest in protecting the reputations of convicted felons, so our duty to cover the courts outweighs their privacy interests. And once again, community standards prohibit naming the woman.

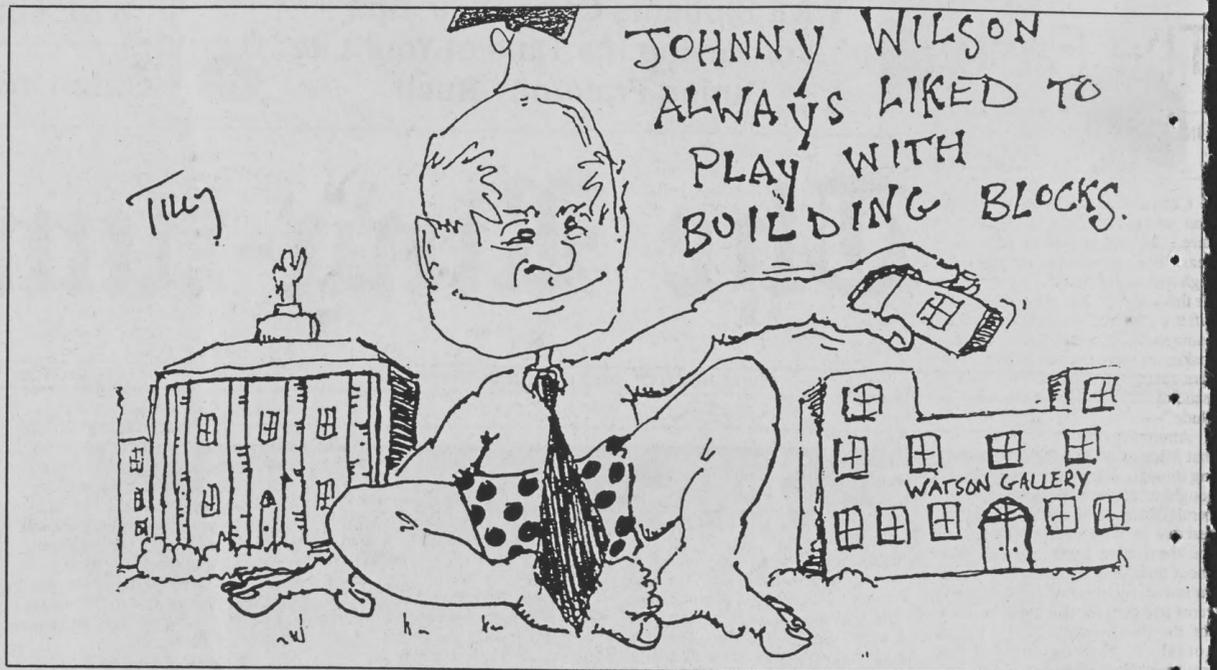
These are the guidelines we will use — guidelines, not rules. The guidelines apply to every case, but sometimes there are other overriding interests.

In this case, telling you who plastered our campus with posters maligning the Fijis is such an interest. For weeks during last spring, a fraternity fought rumors launched by an attacker they could not combat effectively. Without knowing the source of the fliers, students could not evaluate the accusations' truthfulness.

It is for that reason — and not merely because [redacted] brought an attempted rape charge — that we name her. The expectations of our readers told us not to publish [redacted]'s name; that interest in most cases would outweigh our desire to de-stigmatize rape and our duty to report on the courts. In this case, however, our responsibility to name the distributor of the fliers tipped the scales in favor of publication.

Recognizing that we cannot now reach our ideal of full disclosure, we regret last spring's decision to print Hughes' name. In the future, our crime coverage will be less informative, but more fair. Perhaps one day our community will mature to the point that we do not have to take such measures to protect innocent defendants from a presumption of guilt, and victims from an undeserved social stigma.

OPINION



El Presidente passes out the bananas

WASHINGTON — The U.S.A. has begun to look, sound and act like a banana republic.

It's no joke, Mr. and Mrs. North America. Remember those crazy governments to the south who kept power by intimidating the peasants with state-of-the-art military prowess, bribing them with newly-printed government money, scaring them from the pulpit?

Suddenly, El Presidente Bush is leading us down the same conga line. With his government \$4 trillion in debt, he flies his new, custom-made 747 down to Texas with some good news for local voters: they will soon be turning out 150 new F16s for Taiwan.

Cost: An escalation of tensions in the China Sea.
Benefit: 32 electoral votes on Nov. 3.

Back in Washington, there were more salutes to the President's re-election campaign.

From his Pentagon command post, Bush's defense secretary signaled that the state of Missouri will soon be producing a new batch of F15 fighters for Saudi Arabia.

Cost: Another escalation in the Middle East arms race.

Benefit: 11 electoral votes.

Let's have no confusion about what's happening here.

Remember how we chuckled at the boys in Brazil and Argentina, who would roll up debt upon debt year after year? Where the latest junta would create its very own instant cash using the government-owned printing press?

Where the nervous president would keep his beloved palace by buying off the right people, while the country's real problems of unemployment, crime and social division were put off to some distant "mañana"?

Watch proud Yankee George Bush

dance this number.

With the 1992 budget alone \$314 billion into the red, Bush told the storm-wracked people of Florida last week that the federal government is going to cover the cost of Hurricane Andrew dollar for dollar. Not the usual 75 percent federal share, mind you, 100 percent!

Where's this new U.S. money to come from? By borrowing more billions on the world market, adding up more debt, more interest costs, more deficits for later generations.

Cost: Impossible to calculate. When an earthquake struck Northern California in 1989, the state and localities had to pay part of the repair job. This creates an obvious incentive for local leaders to do some timely planning, to try and minimize the damage of future earthquakes. The Hurricane Andrew precedent means that when Hurricanes Bill or Charlie come howling, the federal government will be asked to pay the full tab once again. With what?

Benefit: 25 electoral votes.

Bush was equally generous to the

voters of Louisiana, promising to keep out sugar imports, even though Andrew destroyed much of the domestic crop.

Cost: The consumer gets hit with higher prices for sugar and everything it goes into.

Benefit: 9 electoral votes.

Next stop, South Dakota. Bush gave wheat farmers a billion dollars in new export subsidies.

Benefit: 3 electoral votes.

Finally, the biggest election-even bonanza of all: a promise to "index" capital gains. Not all voters are tempted by such temporal rewards. For them, there is that ultimate weapon of the right, the pulpit. Last week, we heard Vice President Dan Quayle railing against the "adversary culture," keeping up his daily crusade against Hollywood, the "media elite" and other threats to the voter's soul.

Put it together and you get the old banana republic battle cry:

Support the commander! Obey the church! Take the bribe!

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WASHINGTON — Trollope's political novels have been called ideal reading for a lazy Labor Day weekend because if a breeze blows over a few pages while you nap, never mind, plunge back in. The narrative moves at such a measured pace that nothing much will have been missed. This presidential campaign may now be like that. Its themes are clear.

A Democrat more liberal than he wants to seem, and a Republican less conservative than he wants to seem, are leading parties whose differences have narrowed, and whose ranges of politically possible policies are narrow.

Liberalism developed when liberty was threatened by the forces of order — state or church. Today people feel more threatened by disorder. Modern American liberalism developed to redress a perceived imbalance between anemic government and the surging power of entities and forces in industrial society. Now that (since last October) government jobs outnumber manufacturing jobs in America, an insufficiency of government is not seen as the problem.

The Democratic Party's change of mind — its movement toward the center — reflects recognition that it cannot win the presidency by changing the composition of the electorate. That is, it cannot win by mobilizing non-voters among the poor and minorities. Political scientist Ruy Teixeira of the Brookings Institution calculates that if turnouts by blacks, Hispanics and poor whites had each been 20 percent higher in every state Bush won in 1988, Dukakis still would have lost by 102 electoral votes.

Over the last 30 years America's political center

has shifted, to the disadvantage of Democrats. Watergate and Vietnam caused an erosion of confidence in governments. The mobility of money and businesses inhibits governments because wealth can flee currencies threatened by inflation or jurisdictions where growth is slow or government is meddlesome.

So parties whose promises depend on strong government are decreasingly plausible. Furthermore, long recessions and slow growth increase individual anxiety and decrease social solidarity, thereby weakening society's support for collective actions.

On the other hand, aspects of both economic vigor and its absence can help Democrats. The boom of the 1980s was unsettling to many people. While the U.S. economy added 19 million net new jobs, Fortune 500 corporations shrank by 4 million jobs and from 58 percent of industrial output to 42 percent. Rapid change generates stress, and thus generates supporters, and thus generates stress, and thus generates supporters for a liberal party that equates any social distress with "victimization" and a failure of government to enforce "fairness."

The Bush recession was especially unsettling, for three reasons. First, it came after the long — ninety-two month — Reagan expansion which had convinced people that business cycles are products of government mistakes that government should know how to avoid. Second, Bush's recession came at the end of a low-saving decade, when people felt particularly vulnerable. Third, it came when the elite white collar component of the work force was larger than ever. The recession involved much prun-

ing of middle management jobs, so articulate and assertive components of the electorate (including journalists) were anxious.

The weakening of social solidarity, the erosion of confidence in government and the increase in anxiety have made the issue of taxation paramount. During the second World War an Irving Berlin lyric was:

You see those bombers in the sky?
Rockefeller helped to build them.

So did I.
In war Americans were shoulder-to-shoulder. Today they are throwing elbows, especially about taxation.

The issue of taxation arose among English-speaking (sort-of) people 1,000 years ago under King Ethelred the Unready, in connection with the Danegeld, an annual tax for the defense of the realm — actually, to pay tribute to the marauding Danes. Today George the Implausible is promising a tax cut that Congress will not deliver, to be balanced by spending cuts his own party will not countenance. Clinton promises to build a New Jerusalem by squeezing millionaires until they squeak.

But considering that a hefty \$4 trillion will be spent on private consumption this year, it is odd for conservatives to argue that any tax increase Congress is apt to impose on individuals will radically reshape the economy. It is equally implausible for liberals to say that Clinton's policy (management efficiencies, government spending to increase growth, and never a discouraging word for the middle class that has most of America's money) will alter the deficit that paralyzes and disgraces government.

So if you nap for now, you will have no trouble picking up the thread of this year's by-now familiar political narrative.

LETTERS

City spells out voting registration regulations

To the Editor,
It is the position of the Lexington City Council to encourage any students who are legally entitled to vote in the City of Lexington under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and wish to do so, to register with the City to vote.

Registration Procedures

Any individual may apply for voter registration with the City Registrar, 300 E. Washington Street, the county Registrar in the basement of the Courthouse on East Washington Street, (this office has an entrance on Washington Street across from the frame shop) or at any of the special registration sites. Each individual will first be asked if Lexington is their home and if they are registered elsewhere. Applicants should note that the question refers to their current domicile which may or may not be the same as their parents. A new domicile is not attained until the old one is abandoned. A person demonstrates in the way in which he conducts his life which of the places of abode available to him is his domicile although length of stay at a place of

abode does not necessarily determine domicile.

If Lexington is not your home, but you do reside within the Commonwealth of Virginia, you may apply for voter registration and your application will be forwarded to the proper jurisdiction for processing.

If Lexington is indeed your home then an applicant must complete a Virginia voter registration Application listing the following: full name, including the maiden and any other prior legal name; age; date and place of birth; social security number, if any; whether the applicant is presently a United States citizen; address and place of abode and date of residence in the precinct; place of any previous registrations to vote; and whether the applicant as ever been adjudicated to be mentally incompetent or convicted of a felony, and if so, under what circumstances the applicant's right to vote has been restored. This card is then signed and the individual takes an oath under penalty of perjury that the information provided is accurate.

The registrar will answer any ques-

tions you may have concerning your application to register. The registrar has the right to determine if any applicant meets the requirements set forth in the Constitution of Virginia and the Code of Virginia. The registrar does have the authority to ask questions beyond what the application requests as long as the registrar does not single out one class of applicants such as students, young people, or a particular racial group.

Qualifications

To be qualified to vote in Lexington, you must be:

- 1) a citizen of the United States
- 2) at least 18 years of age
- 3) a resident of the City of Lexington

The Code of Virginia defines "residence" as follows:

"Residence" for all purposes of qualification to vote, requires both domicile and a place of abode. In determining domicile, consideration may be given to applicant's expressed intent, conduct, and all attendant circumstances including, but not limited to,

financial independence, business pursuits, employment, income sources, residence for income tax purposes, marital status, residence of parents, spouse and children, any leasehold, sites of real and personal property owned by the applicant, motor vehicle and other personal property registration, and other such factors as may reasonably be deemed necessary to determine the qualifications of an applicant to vote in an election district.

Ramifications of Registration

Once you register, Lexington then becomes your legal residence to be used on all legal documents, tax returns, resumes, job applications, vehicle registration, etc.

While the Lexington City Council encourages you to avail yourself of all rights and responsibilities of residence, we suggest that you discuss this with your parents as your registration could have an impact on their financial position.

Sincerely,
The Mayor and City Council
Lexington, Virginia

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OPINION

The Face Book: W&L's religious reading

ONE GUY'S OPINION

By Chris Citron

Can you sense it? Can you smell it? Can you almost taste it? YES! It's here. The most wonderful time of the year. The hour when expectations run high and excitement tingles the spine. (Is this a song?) The most pleasurable gift that God has bestowed on our little community. The one publication that makes me more excited than anything else (except maybe my anniversary issue of "Girls' School Girls In The Nude")—The 1996 Face Book.

Absolutely. That little book of magic that helps us prepare for our bewitching throughout the year. It is the most sought-after piece of literature by upperclassmen, as is evidenced by our reaction to our friends the minute we see them after break and ask them about their summer (which should be outlawed, by the way. Nobody really cares and nobody else wants to tell it for the thirty-seventh time in three hours). "Have you seen the freshmen? How do they look? Do you have a Face Book?" all asked quickly and out of breath. Dorm counselors suddenly become everyone's best friend, and Rush chairmen are just one step below, but only due to the fact that their editions are simple photo copies. Then, when we finally find someone with the precious book, we beg and plead and bite and scratch to see it.

And then, we finally get our hands on it and we...

LAUGH, and drool, and laugh some more, and criticize and complement and then laugh some more, and eventually start putting names to faces. But not before we laugh for a final time. Admit it: it is great entertainment. The pictures are more than likely not the most flattering because your mom probably put a photo in that she thought was adorable. I will never forget my freshman Face Book where one guy's picture (who will remain nameless—Chris) had a picture of him with his grandfather in the background.

In addition, you probably weren't around when she wrote in your hobbies either, and so some guy's mother assuredly wrote "cooking" and "babysitting" which, of course, goes over real well with the fraternities, not to mention freshman girls. His only date will be with Scott Dittman's kids. Finally, it is quite amusing to see what the freshman truly look like in person and so the guessing becomes a wonderful drinking game. "No, she's

not good-looking." "I'll bet you a case of beer that she will be the hottest freshman."

And all of this because of one little book.

Now freshmen, don't think this is all a joke. Unfortunately for you, it's not. It is the key to your very existence. Without it, you are no one except a potential pledge or a hot body.

With the magic book, however, you are Butch the potential pledge, or Kim, with the hot body. (Or maybe Kim the hot pledge and Butch the potential body?)

With the hot body. (Or maybe Kim the hot pledge and Butch the potential body?). The Face Book becomes everything. In fact, I retract my previous statement; it is not just a magic book; it is God's work; it is our bible.

And if I remember correctly, it is also your bible. You do exactly what we do, except that being a freshman, you concentrate more on the guys and girls faces than you do hobbies. Unless you plan on using that to scam with.

"Hey, aren't you Gwen? Aren't you from Houston, Texas? Don't you like volleyball and horses? How did I know? Well,....uh...aside from your bowed

legs, I could sense that you were the type."

But let's get this straight right now guys. You will get none this year. Or very little. Unfortunately, while partying is illegal for you, your female counterparts will be enjoying the beer and company of the upperclassmen. I do not envy your position, because I have been there. Actually, I'm still there, but it is still not as bad a predicament as that of the sophomore girls, because they will get even less.

Hate to say that girls (not), but you do deserve it. Every year you all do the same thing. You get so excited that you are the center of attention of the sophomores and juniors and seniors, that you deliberately forget you freshmen counterparts. Guess what? It's time to pay. You're no longer the center of attention, and guys do not forget. You will be cast off, left alone to wallow in your own pity, and drink beer with all your girl friends. Don't get me wrong; you may get lucky with some freshman guy, but that's about it. Hey, what can I say? You deserve it.

So freshman girls, pay attention. Go out with the upperclassmen. We're much more fun anyway, but don't treat the guys like the pledges they are. Remember them, hang with them...sometimes, and be cool. Don't end up like every other has-been beauty queen in the sophomore corner. And have a fantastic first year.

And live by the bible. Amen.

Driving to Lexington is an adventure

SPORTS' SPACE

By Tom Hespos

ATTENTION WASHINGTON & LEE STUDENTS: PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE STATUS OF CHRIS SWANN'S HUMOR COLUMN IN THE RING-TUM PHI:

Chris Swann graduated. The column now only exists in the minds of those who were around to read it last year. I am his replacement — well at least one of them. My real name is Tom Hespos and I am a junior from Long Island, New York — a place famous for its Duckling, Red Tea, and its obnoxious Yankees. Go ahead, feel free to make jokes, I know that you all secretly covet a house in the Hamptons with a pool and tennis court, so let's just cut the crap, Okay?

Like many other W&L students, I packed up my car with clothes, books and any piece of furniture that would fit in my trunk, and made a bee-line for W&L. My route to school takes me down the Long Island Expressway, over assorted bridges, down the New Jersey Turnpike to Interstate 78, and finally gets me to Lexington via I-81.

The Long Island Expressway is an interesting place. It runs about half of the length of the island in an East-West direction, although some people insist on traveling North-South on it. This usually takes them into a guard rail, but most LI drivers don't seem to care. The average speed for the LIE is about 80 miles per hour, which means that if you own a slow car like my Volkswagen Beetle, some problems arise. Things only slow up when one of the LIE's two highway patrol cars are seen in the vicinity, rather than at the local "Dunkin' Donuts."

My strategy for driving on the LIE is very simple: I share the road shoulder with the bicycles and mopeds until I reach the bridges.

Traveling over this series of bridges, I land in New Jersey, "the Garden State," hospital waste distributor for the majority of East Coast beaches. Never in my

two decades of existence have I seen so many useless road signs in one place. For example: "Falling Rock." What possible protection from a 20-ton falling boulder could this sign possibly offer? Shhhheaaaahhh! Riiiiight!! As if...!

Another example: "State Police — Next Right." This sign should read: "Slow Down — there's a cop around this next bend."

Fortunately, my driving time in New Jersey is short. Onward into Pennsylvania!

Pennsylvania is a very thought-provoking state. It's very easy to get completely bored and lose yourself in thought here. For instance — on I-78 on the left — hand side, there is a Keebler cookie factory. About 1000 feet down the road is a Stroh's brewery. One might wonder — do the workers at Keebler ever go over to the brewery trying to swap boxes of E.L. Fudge for a keg? It boggles the mind.

I promised my editors that I would include a Letterman-style top ten list in this column so here goes...

- 1) Top 10 cool things about Pennsylvania
 - 2) There are hardly any Texans around.
 - 3) Amish country — a great place to pick up babes. (Shall I yell "Not!" or would you like to?)
 - 4) Bill Clinton never inhaled marijuana smoke here.
 - 5) Was voted the state most likely to be overruled by trees.
 - 6) Speed checked by radar — for your protection.
 - 7) Home of Kutztown University, the world's most boring school.
 - 8) Shares a border and lots of municipal waste with New Jersey.
 - 9) Philadelphia: where all 56 Rocky movies were filmed.
 - 10) One of the first states to outlaw dwarf-tossing as a sport.
 - 1) State named for Sean Penn, who at one point was consistently having sex with Madonna.
- From Pennsylvania, I venture into Maryland,

"The Pansy State." Named for Queen Mary the Excessively Obese of Upper Volta, Maryland has turned into a haven for preppies, Yuppie wanna-be's and similar types. Everyone slows down on the interstate because a roving pack of state troopers has been spotted driving pink Miatas with little green alligators sewn on the bumpers. They pull me over right after I cross the Mason-Dixon line so that they might check my car for drugs and tasteless clothing. People don't believe me when I say that Southern prejudice against Northerners begins right when you cross "the line." If you were to straddle it, you would see the IROCs with handguns in their glove compartments on one side and the armed pickup trucks on the other. These vehicles never cross the line.

Once Officer Skippy is satisfied with his search of my car, (which incidentally, only turned up several empty 7-11 "Slurpee" cups from the mid-70's) I am allowed to continue my voyage over the border into West Virginia. I pray to God that my voyage doesn't bring me past any sheep farms, lest I have a fit of laughter that would cause me to lose control of my car and smack into a concrete overpass support.

Not much can be said about West Virginia without mentioning sheep or someone's sister, and I am sure that you have heard all of those jokes, so I will refrain from using them right after I mention that West Virginians have only recently discovered that you can raise sheep for their wool.

Finally, I reach the state in which my destination lies. As I approach the first of the three exits for Lexington, the little pleasures of W&L life run through my head: the nights of drinking and falling out of fraternity house windows, the Sweet Briar girls throwing up on my floor, the No-Doz taken before politics class that failed to work. I cruise past the freshman dorms, pull into a space and step out to stretch my legs and breathe the fresh air. I feel a tap on my shoulder and turn around to see my arch-nemesis Baner.

GENERAL NOTES

Women's Forum

Women's Forum will hold its first meeting of the year on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in Fairfax Lounge. Food will be provided. Everyone is invited!

The Registrar

The Registrar's office is finalizing the information for the Student Directory. Please make sure they have your correct local address and phone number. Deadline to make changes is Monday, Sept. 21.

The EC

The Executive Committee will be interviewing students for positions on the Student-Faculty Hearing Board on Wednesday, Sept. 23. Applications can be picked up outside of Carol Calkins' office.

Emergency

The new Security emergency number is 463-8999.

Parking Info

Changes in parking enforcement: All Gaines Hall residents are no longer allowed to park behind the Doremus Gym.

There will be strict enforcement and towing of vehicles stopped in the Reid Hall circle or in the rear of the Co-Op. Students are not allowed to park in these areas for any reason. Flashing lights will not be an excuse for parking on a yellow curb, in handicap spaces, or in no parking zones. Violations will result in a \$25 fine and the vehicle will be towed at the driver's expense.

FD Chairmen

The Executive Committee will be interviewing students for the positions of Fancy Dress chair, vice-chair and auditor on Thursday, Sept. 24. Applications can be picked up outside of Carol Calkins' office in the University Center.

Pub Board

The Publications Board will be interviewing students for the position of The Ring-tum Phi executive editor on Tuesday, Sept. 22. Letters of interest should be submitted to Carol Calkins' office in the University Center.

RACASA

Fall Volunteer Training Topics: myths and facts, crisis intervention, emotional issues, medical issues, law enforcement issues, sex offenders, child sexual abuse, risk reduction issues, specific populations. Oct. 6 - Dec. 15, 1992. For more information, call 463-7273.

Calyx

Please pick up your 1992 Calyx in room 206 of the University Center 2 - 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14 through Friday, Sept. 18.

Be International

Interested in foreign cultures? Want to meet the exchange students? Come to the first International Club meeting of this year on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 8 p.m. in the International House, 8 Lee Ave. Refreshments will be served.

Spout Off!

Let the campus read what you have to say. Bring signed letters to the editor and My Views to The Ring-tum Phi office in University Center room 208.

Get Advice

Questions for "Ask Dr. Worth" can be submitted to Carol Calkins' office in the University Center.

Get It Out!

Need to get a message to the student body? Put it in the General Notes. Leave a brief, typed note in the General Notes envelope outside The Ring-tum Phi office in room 208 of the University Center.

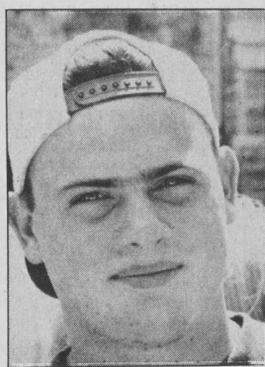
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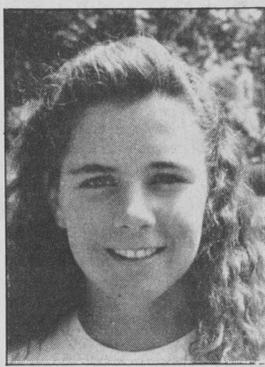
What was your first impression of Lexington?



Martha Warthan, '96, Richmond, Va. — "It was a rainy, disgusting day and a lousy tour, but I still fell in love with W&L."



Tyson Hilton, '96, Huntington Beach, Ca. — "I've seen pygmies bigger than Lexington."



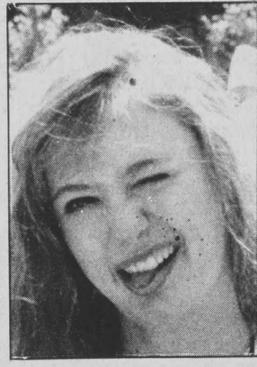
Jill Sheets, '96, Malvern, Pa. — "Small and friendly."



Jeff Zeiger, '96, Columbus, Ohio — "The businesses are glad we're here and the police are extremely helpful."



Julie Powell, '96, Atlanta, Ga. — "It's what every college town should look like."



Christin Roach, '96, Annapolis, Md. — "I like the patterns in the bricks and walking on them with naked feet."

FEATURES

Worth deals with social anxiety

ASK DR. WORTH

By Dr. James Worth

The "Ask Dr. Worth" column will return to The Ring-tum Phi this fall every other week. Since it is too early for me to have received any questions yet, I asked a Phi staff member for some ideas. She suggested I say something about social pressures here at W&L, especially with regard to the incoming freshmen.

It has seemed to me that from a social standpoint the fall term at W&L is, particularly for freshmen, the best of all times and the worst of all times. It is the best of all times (at least so far in your life) for many exciting reasons. You are in an incredibly beautiful community, surrounded by bright and attractive people your own age, and given more social freedom than you've ever had before. Our campus traditions emphasize socializing, partying and having fun, as well as academic excellence. From the earliest mixers, to the Fancy Dress Ball next winter, to the lush (pun only partially intended) days of springtime in the Shenandoah Valley, this is a school where working hard really is combined with the opportunity to play hard as well.

But as they say, every rose has a few thorns. Freshmen are uniquely vulnerable to a variety of stresses, pressures and outright dangers, which through lack of experience they may be unaware. Some of these may be unique to W&L, but most, if in fact not all, of them are encountered on every other American campus.

My sense is that freshman males don't always face the same vulnerabilities as freshman females so I will separate the genders as I make these reflections.

If you are a male:

(1) By all means avail yourself of the Rush activities that present themselves to you if you are so inclined, but keep it in perspective. Being a member of a particular house is not a life or death matter. Indeed, fraternity membership itself, like all choices, has debits and credits.

Don't let yourself get pressured into a premature choice. You can find peace, love and happiness at W&L as a fraternity member or as an independent, or you can be unhappy either way.

(2) Don't let the relaxed, convivial atmosphere of the first few days here mislead you. You will most likely be working harder than you ever dreamed possible within the first few weeks after classes begin. Keep your priorities straight. Budget your time. There are many opportunities to play hard but you have to pay the piper.

(3) This is a highly competitive place, as well as being friendly. Whether it be in the classroom, in intramural

sports or on the social scene, everyone is seeking success. Not everyone can come in first. Do your best, but don't be discouraged if success does elude you occasionally this fall. It's OK not to have a date, not to get in the house you wanted, not to have an A on the first English paper, even if you were a standout high school student in every way. Dig in for the long haul and by the time you are a junior and a senior you'll have your share of victories.

If you are a female:

(1) You, too, are going to be rushed this fall by the upperclassmen, but in a little different way than freshman guys. That's not necessarily bad. Still, you need to make good decisions, decisions which are self-esteeming. Don't let yourself become an item on someone else's agenda.

(2) There is a lot of alcohol at W&L. You will have plenty of opportunities to drink. If you decide to abstain you will avoid many potential problems, but the truth is not everyone will make that decision. If you decide to drink here, then keep in mind how vulnerable you are if you become intoxicated.

The decision to drink self-protectively must be made in advance, not after your 5th beer. If you are going to drink, try to have female friends with you who will be sober enough to help you should that be necessary. Drink slowly and moderately enough that you always know what you are doing and feel in control of yourself. If you think you've reached your limit, switch to soda. Don't let anyone pressure you to drink or to drink more/faster than you want to.

(3) There is also a lot of sexual activity at W&L. You will have plenty of opportunities for that, too. You need to make your choices consistent with your values and health (mental as well as physical). Pregnancy, STD's and even sexual violence are risks if you choose to be sexually active, though you can take precautions that will reduce the risk level. Remember, guys may play kiss and tell games. Just don't think that casually hooking up with someone on Saturday night will always be a well-kept secret. Trust me, it won't. It also won't necessarily lead to either friendship or further romance.

(4) As with freshman males, don't expect to be consistently successful this fall. In fact, try defining success in broader ways. Not having a date gives you an opportunity to do other things which may be just as enjoyable. Not getting into a particular activity frees you up for something else. Not getting high grades on your first set of exams educates you about the academic realities of this place.

Sometimes we can learn more from our perceived failures than our so-called successes, which means they really weren't failures after all.

Questions to Dr. Worth can be submitted in person or anonymously to either Room 128 of the University Center or to Carol Calkins in the University Center.



A survival guide to men's Rush

Upperclassmen give tips for enjoying the chaos

By JENNIFER LATHAM
Phi Staff Writer

Although fraternity Rush has been described as a trip through hell to get to heaven, most freshman men manage to cultivate good memories in the first three frenzied weeks of college.

"You can look at it this way," sophomore Adam Plotkin said. "It's a bunch of free parties that present great ways to meet people. It's one of the most hectic times in a guy's life, but it's also one of the most enjoyable."

Among upperclassmen's favorite Rush activities are Tear Night and casual afternoons spent at the houses.

"I enjoyed the skeet shoots and parties out at houses in the country," junior Mac Tisdale said.

"A lot of planning goes into the afternoons of open contact when the freshman guys are taken to Goshen and to play golf," he said.

Meeting fraternity brothers in classes also contributes to freshmen's memories of Rush and, ultimately, the decisions they make.

"I met a guy in a drama class who became one of my good friends and was my big brother when I joined the house," senior John Godfrey said. "The strength of that friendship was evident on Tear Night, because I knew I'd joined the right house."

On weeknights, while the seasoned Rush veterans are busy welcoming swarms of freshman men to their houses, freshman women generally entertain themselves by observing the pre-party hoopla.

"Last year we sat and looked out my window and watched the parade of guys in tan pants, bucks and navy blue jackets," sophomore Beth Provanzana said.

This attire is made possible largely to the domestic services freshman women offer the rushees.

"I found out that no guys know how to iron," sophomore Stacy Cofield said.

In the past, freshman women were not spectators to the extent that they are today at W&L.

"I remember being curious, confused and unfamiliar with Rush terms during those weeks, but women in classes before mine could go with guys to the Rush parties," senior Teresa Williams said. Williams said this firsthand experience was either beneficial or aggravating, because women who were invited were either "ignored or paid attention to, depending on what the guys preferred at the time."

Among other things, women can benefit from the extra study time and much-needed sleep during men's Rush.

"We got to watch T.V. in the Graham-Lees lounge; we actually had it to ourselves," Provanzana said.

Time for relaxation seems to be taken for granted by women, who cannot fathom the pressure experienced by the men. "All the guys were asking, 'What are we going to do next?'" while all the girls were asking, 'Where's the next party?'" sophomore Stacy Bogert said.

Sophomore Stephanie Sheperd agrees. "As a freshman, frat parties became kind of overwhelming. A lot of people had never experienced something quite that wild. It was nice to have a break from it," she said.

However, on weekends when the parties are in full swing, freshman women should heed the advice of upperclass women who have experienced the delirium.

"Don't carry any type of container with you from party to party," said Williams. "And don't take it personally if guys don't talk to you a lot — their goal is to meet other guys."

"Try to hit as many houses as possible," said Provanzana.

"I would've liked to have met more people by going to more than one house on Tear Night," sophomore April Powell said.

Sheperd agrees that freshman women should not limit themselves by staying at one party.

"Try to meet upperclassmen, rather than being intimidated and standing in a corner, keeping to yourself," Powell said.

As for the men, the most basic advice is to keep an open mind and to pledge the fraternity that has the most comfortable atmosphere.

"Visit as many houses as possible," senior Mark Van Deusen said. This can make a difference in the end of Rush.

"There's a place for everybody," sophomore Michael Neal said. "We're trying to impress the freshman guys just as much as they're trying to impress us."

"You should be looking for the best brotherhood in a group of guys you'll be spending the next four years with here," Godfrey said. Above all, the brothers of W&L fraternities stress staying in control.

"Don't get too drunk, and avoid the Lexington police like the plague," Godfrey said.

Though fraternity Rush can suddenly thrust men into a whirlwind of activity, some brothers urge moderation.

"The key word is 'balance,'" sophomore Brian Hucks said. "Rush is important, but classes are, too."

Although in these next few weeks being a part of a brotherhood may seem like the end-all, be-all of a guy's existence, just being a part of Rush is key.

"Tell yourself it's not the end of the world if you don't get into a fraternity," Neal said, "because the world will go on."

File Photo
Some W&L men enjoy the bachannallan activities of Tear Night.

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FEATURES

Filming in downtown Lex

Hollywood crew invades city

By JOYCE BAUTISTA
Phi Features Editor

The talk continues even three months after downtown Lexington's transformation from a small college town to a bustling post-Civil War metropolis. For two days in June, the city became the setting of "Sommersby," a multimillion-dollar motion picture starring Jodie Foster and Richard Gere, which brought chaos to the otherwise sleepy town.

"I've never seen so many people in downtown Lexington before," W&L Director of Communications Brian Shaw said. "It was like a Christmas parade."

Shaw served as a liaison between the movie crew and Washington and Lee.

He said the university allowed the use of the Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Theta fraternity houses for costuming and make-up during the two-day shoot.

The old Troubadour Theatre was also used as a holding area for extras and the back for set construction, Shaw said.

Evans Dining Hall was the place to find the cast and crew catching a bite to eat.

"Jodie Foster ate in the D-hall," sophomore Chris Albert, a location intern, said, "but Richard Gere ate in his trailer."

The preparations began Tuesday, June 9, Albert said.

Storefronts were redone along Washington and Main streets.

Albert went to all the local businesses to check that all air conditioners and television antennas were removed.

"We had to make sure that nothing of the 20th century sneaked into our 19th-century set," Albert said.

At 9 p.m. Tuesday night, chunks of Main and Washington streets were



Photo courtesy Chris Albert

Sophomore Chris Albert (center) poses with the cast and crew of "Sommersby," including Jodie Foster and Richard Gere.

closed off, Shaw said.

"Sommersby" trucked in two dump trucks of dirt and sand to transform the streets of Lexington," he said. "The day before the street lights were removed."

Wednesday the cameras started rolling.

Actors' trailers stretched from the corner of Nelson and Main to the courthouse at Washington Street.

Shaw said Gere's trailer was located in front of the courthouse.

"Every time he stuck his head out of his trailer there were screams and yelps,"

he said. Though Gere had throngs of female admirers sighing at his every move, Foster also had her share of fans and admirers, Shaw said.

The scene shot Wednesday involved Gere riding up Washington on his horse and Foster with their on-screen son in a carriage.

Filming these few minutes of footage took all day, Shaw said.

On Thursday, the hanging scene was shot behind the Main Street Mall.

This shot was totally prohibited to the public, Albert said. A black curtain was used to control the scene.

"We had to keep people from peeking out their windows and taking photographs," Albert said.

That afternoon, Shaw said, the crew was pulling people off the streets to be extras.

Only three scenes were actually shot in Lexington, Shaw said. The bulk of

the film was shot in the George Washington National Forest.

"We worked closely with the Virginia Film Office," Shaw said. "We helped find the crew good places to shoot."

Shaw said he and location manager Scott Elias became great friends through the experience.

Shaw said he worked closely with the "Sommersby" crew helping with media coverage.

"There were five different TV stations covering the shoot," he said. He also helped coordinate news conferences with director Jon Amiel, Foster and Gere.

"It was a lot of work but also a ton of fun," he said.

"Elias is working hard to get W&L a film credit," Shaw said. "Gere, Foster and Amiel left with a lot of W&L paraphernalia."

Albert said local establishments benefited from the large "Sommersby" crew.

Shaw estimates that approximately \$500,000 to \$1 million was pumped into the local economy because of the two-day shoot.

Gere jammed with the band at the Willson-Walker House on Thursday night, the final day of filming. Elias, on keyboards, joined in with the guitar-strumming Gere.

They were shut down, to many fans' disappointment, by Lexington Police Sgt. "Bucky" Miller.

"I don't know how they could even think of shutting Richard Gere down," Albert said.

Shaw said Foster kept a lower profile. "Someone said they saw her at The Palms one night," he

said. The post-Civil War love story is slated for release, possibly with a different title, around Christmas or early spring next year, Albert said.



Photo by Patrick McCabe

Gere

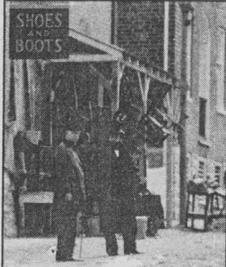
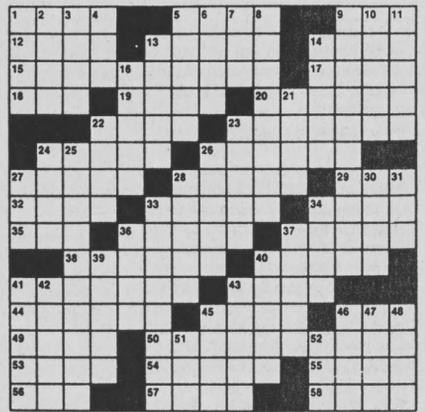


Photo by Patrick McCabe

Downtown Main Street

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 - 17 Impolite
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 - 28 Backbone
 - 29 Certain actor
 - 32 Newman or Lynde
 - 33 Indicate
 - 34 Office need
 - 35 Schedule abbr.
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 - 40 Stead
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 - 45 Ago
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The answers will appear in this space next week.

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- 51 Grease
- 52 Total

Attention All Seniors!

Mandatory Senior Placement Meeting, Thursday, Sept. 17, at 4 p.m. in Lee Chapel. The Senior Packet will be distributed at this time. Student athletes will have the same meeting at 7 p.m. in the University Center, Room 114.

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NEWS

Fraternity Renaissance rolls on

By JOSHUA MANNING
Phi Managing Editor

In the final phase of Fraternity Renaissance, Washington and Lee completed two houses this summer, began two more, and left three caught in construction quagmire.

W&L Capital Planning Coordinator Frank Parsons said he expects that the entire Renaissance program, including the new Sigma Phi Epsilon and Sigma Chi houses in Davidson Park, will be completed by September 1993.

Not a formal part of Renaissance, Chi Psi has independently been renovating its house to meet the university's new fraternity standards. Renovations include building a house mother's suite, creating more student housing, redesigning their party room and adding a patio and additional bathrooms.

Chi Psi Lodge Manager Mark Connelly said the work, which was to be completed by Sept. 1, fell behind due to problems with their independent contractor. He said the 23 students that will live in the house plan to move in by Sept. 20.

"By that time, the first two floors should be livable," Connelly said. "But the entire project will be done by October 1." House residents have found temporary lodging in Gaines and Woods Creek, causing a controversy between fraternity members and law students sharing Woods Creek Central.

University Security Director Michael Young said his office received complaints from law students about a loud party the night after Chi Psi members moved into Woods Creek.

To settle the situation, the university moved the fraternity members to Woods Creek West and Gaines.

Despite a recommendation from Associate Dean of Students for Greek Affairs Leroy C. "Buddy" Atkins

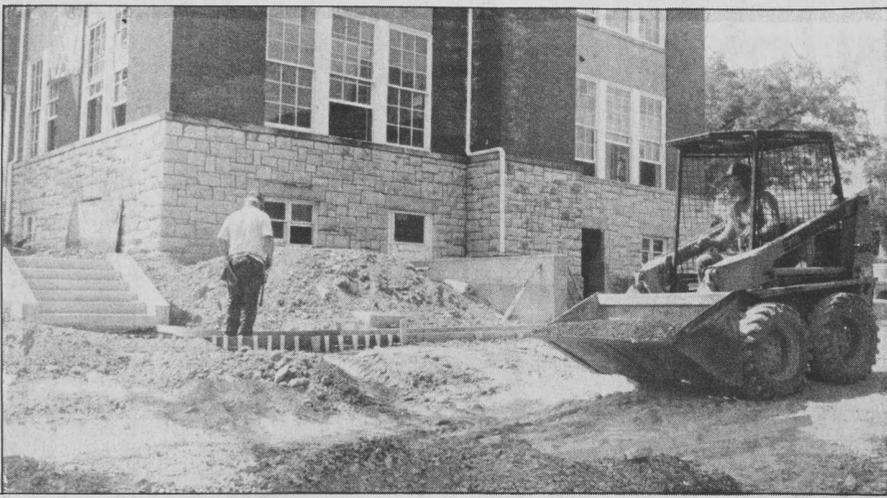


Photo by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

Construction workers at Chi Psi place gravel for a walkway connecting the front of the fraternity house to the newly-renovated party room. Chi Psi hopes to complete construction by October 1.

against holding Rush in the house, Connelly and Chi Psi Assistant Rush Chairman Matt Gilman said enough of the construction will be completed in time to host Open Houses and parties.

"We're taking all the precautions necessary to have a party," Gilman said. "We're real confident in that."

Gilman said the basement party room and patio will be finished for Rush. He also said the fraternity will hire security guards to patrol areas under construction whenever guests are in the house.

Kappa Alpha, originally slated for completion last month, fell behind schedule earlier this year. Parsons said that the work fell even further behind this summer. The target date for KA to reoccupy their house is Jan. 1.

KA will hold their Rush Dates and Open Houses in the University Center, KA President Hank Huff said. The fraternity will host their rush parties in the Boiler Room on Henry Street.

Delta Tau Delta, removed from Renaissance when the chapter was suspended for vandalizing their house last winter, reapplied in July for an estimated \$400,000 in repairs to their Lee Avenue house. No changes will be made to the blueprints finalized by the university last year.

Parsons said the university is taking bids for the Delt project now and expects construction to begin this fall and to be finished by next fall.

"But remember, they will be on critical probation for three years," Parsons said. "That means if they stub

their toe, they're out."

Pi Kappa Phi and Phi Kappa Psi moved back into their East Washington Street houses last week to find several rooms devoid of furniture.

"It's just one of these things that shouldn't have happened," Parsons said. "There was a misunderstanding in placing the orders. It turns out we were given some bad information."

Both houses are missing furniture for their living rooms and dining rooms. Until the permanent furniture arrives next week, both houses are being supplied with furniture by the university's interior design company.

But that is a minor problem to Pi Phi House Manager Todd Burkey.

"The house is exceptional," Burkey said. "It really is nice."

Grand jury fails to indict Hughes

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she said she managed to free herself at one point and stand up but did not leave the room. She said Hughes pulled her back onto the bed and started kissing her while she tried to tell him that she could not have sex with him because she had a boyfriend at Virginia Military Institute.

she said Hughes let her go when she told him she would go break up with her boyfriend and come back. She said in court that she did really have a boyfriend, but made the story up in order to get away.

she also said she tried to scream once, but Hughes silenced her by kissing her on the mouth.

During cross-examination, she said she and other Sweet Briar students were responsible for posters that appeared on the W&L campus earlier in the spring. The fliers accused Fijis of raping women and videotaping brothers having sex with women without the women knowing the taping was taking place.

Hughes' attorney, Thomas Simons, also said she and a friend met with Lexington Police Chief B.M. "Bruce" Beard several months before and told him that some Fiji members had videotaped women and chapter members having sex.

"Were you both not told at that time to stay away from the Fiji house?" Simons asked.

"I don't recall," she said.

Lexington Police Officer Steve Crowder, who investigated the alleged rape attempt, testified that the woman told him she had seen a red flashing light in the room that could have been a video camera.

Crowder said he searched the room where the alleged rape attempt took place and found two videotapes, but the content of the tapes was not related to the complaints.

Bernard Porter, a senior Fiji member who lived in the room where the alleged incident took place, said he entered the room May 10 and saw Hughes and Hughes standing next to his desk.

Porter said he talked to Hughes briefly, and then Hughes and she left the room. He said nothing about

her actions or appearance indicated that there was anything wrong.

Porter also said that there had never been a video camera in his room.

Hughes did not testify at the hearing.

Simons said Wednesday the decision came as a relief for Hughes.

"I'm just happy for Rick and his family," Simons said. "I just hope that it will go away."

W&L, SBC react to news

By LEIGH ALLEN
Phi News Editor

Sweet Briar College students reacted with shock and disappointment Wednesday to the news that a W&L student was not indicted on a charge of attempted rape.

Sweet Briar senior Amy Eller said several students held a candlelight procession in support of the woman who testified that Richard Hughes attempted to rape her at the Phi Gamma Delta house last year.

"We were not protesting the grand jury's decision," Eller said. "We were just showing support for the woman."

Eller said Sweet Briar College Dean of Student Affairs Robert Barlow encouraged her and other students not to protest the decision.

"He didn't want us to cause a big stink," Eller said.

Barlow denied telling his students not to protest.

"I didn't know there was an attempted rape case," Barlow said. "I don't know what you're talking about."

Fiji junior Larry Brown said the fraternity is pleased with the grand jury's decision.

"We supported Rick and maintained that he was innocent from the beginning," Brown said. "Justice was served in the end."

Phi editor resigns; board seeks replacement

By FRANCESCA KEFALAS
Phi Staff Writer

Ring-tum Phi Executive Editor Tom Eisenhauer resigned in August, and the Publications Board plans to replace him.

Eisenhauer was one of two Phi executive editors. He withdrew from W&L for full term to take a position as administrative assistant in the Clinton/

Gore campaign.

Eisenhauer will work in Washington, D.C., writing position papers and providing coordinators with support for campaign stops around the country.

Eisenhauer said he will return to W&L for classes in January, but will not resume his former position. "I didn't think it would be fair to take off full term and then come back and try and resume my old position," Eisenhauer said.

Applications for the position are due Sept. 18. The

Pub Board will conduct interviews on Sept. 22.

The board named senior Rick Peltz, one of last year's Phi editors, as Eisenhauer's temporary replacement. Peltz said he would probably apply for the position.

"We're all excited that Tom has this opportunity, but he'll definitely be missed up in the office," Phi Executive Editor Cathy Lopiccolo said.

The Pub Board voted Lopiccolo temporary president until elections in October.

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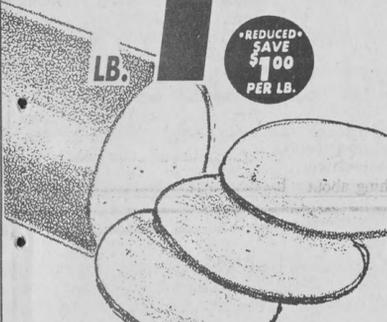
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High expectations placed on men's soccer team

By KEITH GRANT
Phi Staff Writer

Call them the Generals. Call them "Piranian's Piranhas", if you like. Just don't call them the best team ever under coach Rolf Piranian, unless he says so.

"There's potential for this to be a very good year," said Piranian, "but you're putting the cart before the horse to call it a good team right now."

Coach Piranian felt that undo pressure was put on his squad by an article in the Rockbridge Daily Press that called his '92 Generals "...probably the best that Piranian has had during his tenure at W&L."

"I was upset by that," said Piranian. "That didn't come from us [Piranian and assistant coach John Burgess]."

Although the coaches aren't seeing stars over the Generals' potential, they feel that the team should be on the upswing if they can avoid the injury bug that infected their 1991 campaign, which they ended at 8-6-2, 4-3 in Old Dominion Athletic Conference play.

Senior midfielder Mike Mitchem, W&L's career assist leader with 16, had two goals and two assists in the first four games of last season, but saw action in only one of the remaining 12 games due to a knee injury.

"We never had our top 11 players in the lineup together last year," Piranian said.

According to Piranian, there have been no major injuries thus far, but minor sprains have limited the practice time of Mitchem and freshman Chad Dobbins, who may challenge for a starting spot.

The Generals open their '92 season this weekend in the Franklin & Marshall Tournament, but the commanding general isn't predicting a third straight tournament title for Washington and Lee.

"We had an intersquad game last week and it wasn't where we wanted to be," he said. "Playing back-to-back games is tough, but we may have the depth on this team to challenge for it. We've changed the formations a little bit this year and it'll take a little time for things to fall into place."



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Coach Piranian hopes this kind of hounding by senior Reid Murphy will produce goals for the Generals. After a successful 1991, W&L is expected to challenge for the ODAC title this year.

The goaltending position seems to have fallen into the right place, though. Senior Mike Steinbrook will continue to defend the keeper position he won midway through last season.

"It was clear in the second half of last year that he was our number one goalie," said Piranian.

In the 1991 ODAC Tournament, Steinbrook saved his best performance for what was, unfortunately, the Generals' last performance. In a 1-0 semifinal loss to undefeated Virginia Wesleyan, Steinbrook made a season high 15 saves. Steinbrook finished the season with a .859 save percentage and a paltry 1.23 goals against average.

"He was just awesome," Piranian said. "It was the greatest game of his career."

In front of Steinbrook this year will be the familiar 6'3" All-South Atlantic sweeper Greg Williams. Williams was the Generals' defensive MVP last season and looks to protect W&L's half of the field. His job will be a little more difficult this year with the graduation of fellow defenders David Hooker and John Ziegler. However, a strong

offensive squad should help keep the pressure on the other side of the center field line.

W&L's top five point scorers from last season return, including All-South Atlantic forward Reid Murphy. More significant than Murphy's 1991 totals of nine goals and two assists, including four game winners, is the fact that when Murphy scored, the Generals were 7-0.

"Reid is the key player for us," said Piranian. "He's an outstanding offensive player."

Piranian, who now ties his former coach Joe Lyles' mark of 17 straight years guiding W&L men's soccer, hopes that these pieces will fall into place and land the team in the national tournament for the first time in his tenure.

"I felt a year or two that we should have been selected," he said. "I won't be happy until I make it there."

When Coach Piranian finally does make the Division III national tournament, it will probably then be with the best team he has coached in his tenure at W&L.

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Water polo set to open in Classic

By CHRIS SANTORA
 Phi Contributing Writer

The young Washington and Lee water polo team has its work cut out for them this season, trying to top a successful 1991 campaign.

However, the expectations for this year's team are high. Coach Page Remillard sees depth as key to a good season.

With all the possible starters, Remillard has been reluctant to name a starting lineup and senior Chris Hagge agrees with the decision.

"There are so many players who could work their way into the starting lineup. It would be almost impossible to name a definite starting lineup," said Hagge.

Hagge is one of the returning players Remillard will count on heavily. He had 18 goals and was a Division III honorable mention recipient in 1991.

There are only three seniors on the entire squad this year, Hagge, Andrew Pearson and P.J. Waicus. Each will play a vital role this season, especially Waicus.

The team will rely heavily on its All-American goalie. In 1991 Waicus saved 55 percent of all shots, had a good 6.6 goals per game average and will be key to anchoring the Generals' defense.

Pearson will also be important to the defense. His 11 steals last year make him a key asset in the Generals' zone.

The Generals will be put to the test immediately as they compete in the W&L Fall Classic, which should be an indicator of what direction this 1992 squad is headed.



Hagge

Generals begin season with renewed confidence

Fallon looks to the run-and-gun to revive W&L offense; experienced secondary improving play

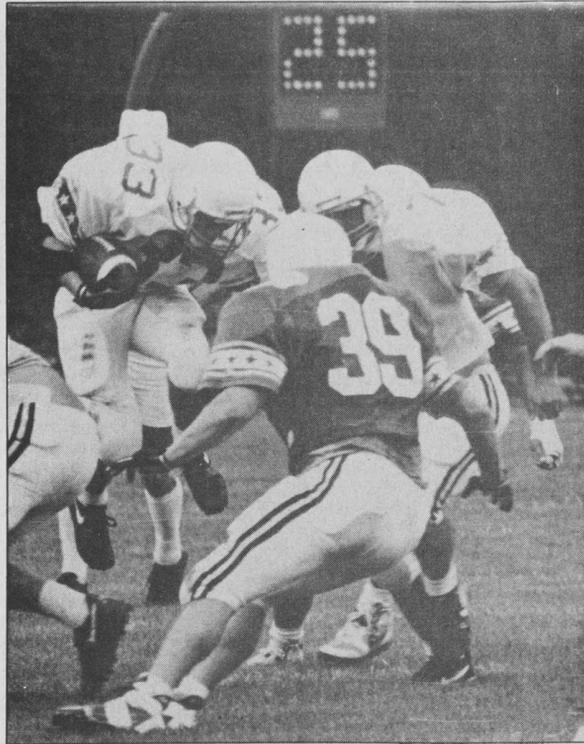


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Senior tri-captain Lyle Smith prepares to put a hurtin' on freshman Jay McCardell. Smith will need to be at the top of his game for Saturday's tilt with Emory & Henry. The Generals are 0-7 against the Wasps in the last seven opening-day games.

By SEAN O'ROURKE
 Phi Sports Editor

If you can meet with triumph and disaster, And treat those two impostors just the same.

--"If"

This phrase from Rudyard Kipling's classic poem greets every tennis player as they leave the locker room to enter the famed Centre Court at Wimbledon. I don't think Washington and Lee head football coach Gary Fallon has ever made that awesome trek, but he has incorporated Kipling's thoughts into his motto for the 1992 season.

"Early on I brought in the 1-9 record to show we had a lot of work in front of us," said Fallon. "You can learn a great deal from history and past experiences. Now I'm easing away from it. You can't dwell on it, you have to block it out and get on the positive side."

The 1-9 record Fallon is referring to was the final result of a tough 1991 campaign. After finishing the previous two seasons at .500, the Generals were looking at last year as a rebuilding period. This year Fallon says he expects better results.

"If we took the field right now, we'd do much better than we did last year," said Fallon. "We have veterans at left tackle, left guard, center and right guard. Left tackle is the only spot we have to fill."

"We also have two tight ends back, the same running backs and experienced wide receivers. Our quarterback also has some seasoning."

One of the big problems the Generals encountered last year was lack of possession time. Their offense had trouble staying on the field long enough

to give their defense time to rest. The offense handled the ball for an average of 25 minutes per game. Fallon believes the new run-and-gun offense, W&L's version of the run-and-shoot, if executed properly, could be the answer.

"We don't have a big tailback to grind it out, but we have a good set of receivers and a quarterback to get the ball to them. They should keep us on the field if we execute. Execution is the big part of this offense."

However, don't be surprised if Fallon decides to switch back to their old I-formation offense. He does not believe this offense will be used exclusively.

"The run-and-gun is not set in stone," said Fallon. "If we're having problems with it I might switch to something else. But if we're doing O.K., I don't want to change anything."

The four-receiver offense worked well for the Generals in their last game of 1991. W&L handled the Georgetown Hoyas, 27-12. Geren Steiner was the triggerman for the Generals against the Hoyas and he will be called upon again to run the offense, as will the Old Dominion Athletic Conference's leading receiver, William Propst. One of the tri-captains, tight end Josh Levinson, will have to show senior leadership on the field.

The Generals defense looks to be a solid unit again this year. The two remaining tri-captains are on the defensive side of the ball, seniors Phil Spears and Lyle Smith. Both will play an important part in protecting the Generals end zone.

Even though this unit is good, Fallon does not believe the defense will be asked to buy time for an inexperienced

offense like they had to last season.

"We have good linebackers and a good group of defensive linemen. Last year we asked the defense to buy time for our green offense. We're hoping we don't have to do that this year."

The defensive line and the linebacking corps make up the strength of the unit. Spears is a mainstay at defensive tackle, along with fellow senior Thomas May and sophomore Jason Chartrand. Smith anchors the defense from his linebacker position. He's joined there by sophomore James Maberry.

The defensive backfield was a sore spot during parts of last year. Junior Bill Harker and sophomore Jon Wagner seem to be the leaders at the cornerback spot this year, while sophomores Marc Newman and Stephen Cox should be more experienced at their safety positions.

One final area where the Generals may have an edge is in the numbers department. The Generals nearly doubled in size with a large influx of freshmen. Fallon says this will mean there will be some inexperienced players on the field at times, but that it doesn't diminish his expectations of them.

"We need them to mature in a hurry," said Fallon. "They'll probably make more mistakes because of their greenness and inexperience. But, they have to get the job done."

Fallon said it's like going into battle. Once that first shot is fired the new guys are no longer new.

With the season-opener only a few days away, the Generals seem ready to avenge that 1-9 record. It won't be easy. Then again, if it was easy, there would be no need for "If."

Women's soccer opens with depleted squad

By SEAN O'ROURKE
 Phi Sports Editor

Athletic coaches dread graduation. It usually means that they lose their most experienced, and in a majority of the cases, their best players. That is the situation facing Washington and Lee women's soccer coach Janine Hathorn.

Hathorn lost seven girls to graduation, including the 1991 ODAC Player of Year, defender Nancy Mitchell.

Hathorn realizes that those players cannot be replaced, but she feels this team could be successful as long as they believe in themselves.

"Some of the girls do not have as much confidence in them-

selves as I have in them," said Hathorn. "I believe we can do very well."

Hathorn has a lot of confidence in the lone senior, tri-captain Susan Moseley. Moseley is a three-year letterwinner, and she had two goals and two assists in 1991. Moseley will be called upon to be the leader on the field.

"It's going to be her (Moseley) play somewhat. It's just her nature and character," said Hathorn. "She's taking it seriously and feels it's an important job."

Juniors Angie Carrington and Kate Stimeling will also have to make big contributions.

Carrington had four goals in 1991 and led the team in assists with three. Stimeling solidified the Generals defense with superb

play in goal. She recorded a school-record nine shutouts, and posted a 0.88 goals against average.

Hathorn says that the defense will need the most work this year. She says their lack of playing together will be the sticking point.

"The defensive end will need the most work, not because they're really inexperienced, but they just haven't played together," said Hathorn.

The questions will be answered quickly as the team travels east to challenge Virginia Wesleyan on Saturday. A strong showing could give this team a lot of confidence, exactly what Hathorn is looking for.

"I have a lot of confidence in them. I believe they're going to win and play well."

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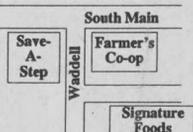
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