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Hill presents parking plan

Trustees will vote on latest plan next month, construction set for spring

By Polly Doig
NEWS EDITOR

Washington and Lee University gave the Lexington Planning Commission a sneak preview of the latest proposal for its parking garage last Thursday.

Construction was originally scheduled to begin on the garage in October, but has been pushed back to this spring, with a goal of completion next January.

"We found the original plans unacceptable; they called for a five-story structure that was too tall for the location and would not have fit well with the rest of the campus," Lawrence Broomall, W&L's vice president for finance, said. The newest plans have been designed to blend with W&L's classic revival architecture, according to Alan Wilson of the Haskell Company, a Florida-based design firm.

Construction will cause the temporary loss of an estimated 120 - 130

spaces in this area, thus cramping parking conditions. W&L's Director of Planning Frank Parsons urged planning board members to "keep your eye on the prize." Parsons contends that the parking deck will alleviate parking problems downtown and on the W&L campus when completed.

The garage has been plagued with design problems from the outset. This latest plan calls for a four-story, 612-space parking garage that will be located where the Upper and Lower Gym parking lots are currently located. The garage will have an elevator and stairway tower.

A looped walkway will let pedestrians reach the parking garage, the planned sorority houses and the main campus.

The proposal will be put before the Board of Trustees next month for a final decision. Pending approval, the proposal will go before the Planning Commission and the Lexington City Council.



Photo By Emily Barnes/Photo Editor

Dressed as a bumblebee, Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledge Whit Kinder performs his version of "Rain" by Blind Melon.

CHI OMEGA WINS!

Maya Angelou tickets go fast

Tickets given out in four hours, leaving many students on the outside looking in

By Polly Doig
NEWS EDITOR

It took more than three weeks for CONTACT to contract Maya Angelou. It took less than four hours for tickets to be distributed.

"We had given out all the tickets by 11:50 a.m. of the second day," CONTACT President Jason Hahn said.

Due to the high demand for tickets, the lecture will be simulcast live in Newcomb 9, Williams School 221 and 327, Lewis Hall classroom C, Northern Auditorium and two other classrooms in Leyburn Library. Tickets will not be distributed for the simulcast locations, but students will be seated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Angelou, who comes with a \$27,000 price tag for a one-hour performance, was paid in part by CONTACT, PRIDE, the MSA, the Office of the Dean of the College and the Office of the President. Overall, CONTACT spent less than half of its \$47,000 budget for this year on Angelou.

"There won't be a formal reception," Hahn said. "However, she'll be meeting beforehand with sponsoring groups."

Angelou's contract also comes with several specifications.

"According to her contract, there can be no professional flash equipment after the first five minutes," Hahn said. "My understanding is that it's pretty dynamic, so I would imagine that to have flash photography during the performance would be pretty disturbing. However, we can't make a recording of the event."

Hahn said that Angelou is expected to give an unconventional speech, including reading from her writings and explaining what they mean to her.

"She won't be taking any questions," Hahn said. "She feels, based on past experience, that questions just don't fit with the type of performance that she gives. It's not your standard 45 minute lecture, followed by questioning at the end. It's much more dynamic."

CONTACT has also confirmed several other speakers to come within the next few months. Taylor Branch, a pre-eminent historian, will give a lecture on Feb. 3 entitled, "Martin Luther King, Jr.: The architecture of a social movement."

On Feb. 11, Bill Johnston '61, the president of the New York Stock Exchange will give a free lecture. And former MTV video jockey Kennedy will speak on March 11.

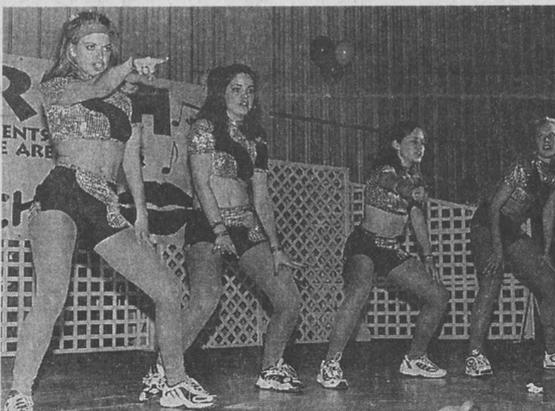


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Clad in sequin and spandex dance outfits, the Pointer Sisters from Kappa Delta perform the classic "Jump."



Photo By Emily Barnes/Photo Editor

With little else but their hats on, Sigma Phi Epsilon pledges mimic Tom Jones' hit "You Can Leave Your Hat On."

Mock Con goes to Washington

Thirteen Mock Con organizers travel to the Capital, meet up with GOP big wigs

By Polly Doig
NEWS EDITOR

Prominent California Rep. Chris Cox awaits his limo. It pulls up, or so he thinks, and out step... George Washington and Robert E. Lee?

This is what happens, boys and girls, when 13 Washington and Lee University students escape classes

for a few days in order to promote Mock Convention 2000 in Washington, D.C.

"We figured it would be a great opportunity to publicize Mock Con and make contacts," said media chair Sean Eddy. "We had a banner with our logo and contact information, and hired George Washington and Robert E. Lee look-alikes who spoke."

winter meeting of the Republican National Committee made some valuable contacts, including Steve Forbes, Dan Quayle and Tom DeLay.

But the biggest surprise for Eddy was the fact that, in some cases, they were preaching to the converted.

"A lot of people already knew our reputation for accurate prediction in presidential races," Eddy said. "It was nice to see that people recognize us. Steve Forbes was very interested in us."

Currently, Mock Con is courting speakers for the spring kickoff, which will be held April 26-28. According to

Eddy, possible speakers for that event include Gov. George W. Bush (R-Tex.), former Red Cross president Elizabeth Dole, Sen. John McCain (R-Arizona), entrepreneur Steve Forbes and former Vice President Dan Quayle.

Mock Con'ers sent out more than 150 press releases to various media in an attempt to increase awareness of their purpose.

"We have a lot of ideas to make it more modern than the actual convention itself," Eddy said. "We just want to convey our message to the student body and to the nation at large."

According to Eddy, the Mock Con planners who went to D.C. for the annual



Photo courtesy of Susan Wager

Shattered Images

A student thesis

written by
Alyssa Sellers
directed by
Holly Estes

January 29, 1999
8 pm
Keller Theatre

"Shattered Images," a student thesis one-act written by senior Alyssa Sellers and directed by junior Holly Estes, opens Friday, Jan. 29 for a one-night performance at the Lenfest Center. When asked to describe the thought process behind "Shattered Images," Sellers said, "This play is about more than eating disorders ... it's a struggle to maintain control and achieve perfection, something everyone can relate to at some level."

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Author of Appalachian books visits

Dennis Covington will read from his works on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 4 p.m. in Northern Auditorium.

Covington wrote "Salvation on Sand Mountain: Snake Handling and Redemption in Southern Appalachia" (Addison-Wesley, 1995) about the culture of that area after covering the trial of Glenn Summerfield for *The New York Times*. He explores the peculiar practices and social realities of these people and traces his own Appalachian roots.

"Salvation on Sand Mountain" was a finalist for the National Book Award in non-fiction.

Living in Birmingham, Ala., Covington covers the South for *The New York Times* and writes fiction. He also teaches creative writing at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

This event is sponsored by the Glasgow Endowment. A book signing will follow the reading.

C-SPAN airs W&L Law School lecture

Author Scott Gerber will give a public lecture based on his new book, "First Principles: The Jurisprudence of Clarence Thomas" on Jan. 27. Gerber's talk begins at 3 p.m. and will be held in Classroom A of Lewis Hall.

Gerber's lecture will also be aired on the C-SPAN network "America and the Courts" and "Book TV" programs at a later date.

Gerber has received both a Ph.D. and a J.D. from the University of Virginia, and a B.A. from the College of William and Mary.

Contact brings MLK biographer to campus

Taylor Branch, winner of the Pulitzer prize for his book "Parting the Waters: America in the King Years 1954-63," will give a talk in Lee Chapel on Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

The title of his lecture is "Martin Luther King Jr.: The Architecture of a Social Movement."

Branch, who will spend several days on the W&L campus meeting with various classes, published his second book in his King trilogy last year, "Pillar of Fire: America in the King Years 1963-65."

In an interview with *The New York Times* about this book, Branch explained that he had planned to become a surgeon until that fateful day in 1963 when Police Commissioner T. Eugene "Bull" Connor turned his wrath on civil rights demonstrators. "Seeing dogs loosed on eight-year-olds changed the direction of my life," he said.

Branch is also author of "Labyrinth" and "The Empire Blues and Second Wind: The Memoirs of an Opinionated Man," and he has written extensively for "The New York Times Magazine," "Sport," "Esquire" and "The New Republic." Branch is a friend of the Clintons. He has advised the president on race issues and wrote both of his inaugural addresses.

A native of Atlanta, Ga., Branch earned his A.B. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his M.P.A. from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

This lecture is sponsored by the Contact Committee.

Capps exhibits art work in C-school

A show of paintings and drawings entitled "I'll Tell You In Time," by Carolyn Capps is currently on display in the Williams School of Commerce, Economics and Politics. The show runs through Feb. 28.

Capps' work, perhaps reflective of her Southern roots, is narrative in that it portrays people in various settings and in various psychological states interacting with the viewer.

"My aim," Capps said, "is to create works that are complex enough to interest the most sophisticated viewer

while being accessible to those with less artistic training."

RACC asks students to help in area cleanup

Rockbridge Area Conservation Council needs student volunteers to help with its annual community cleanup. Interested students should meet an RACC representa-

tive at the James River Canoe Livery at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 27 for a cleanup assignment. Students should wear gloves and bring water and snacks.

Last year, 50 W&L students from

six campus organizations participated. RACC hopes that even more will help this year.

Interested students should call junior Autumn Oczkowski, 464-6992, or RACC director Jane Comstick, 463-2330.



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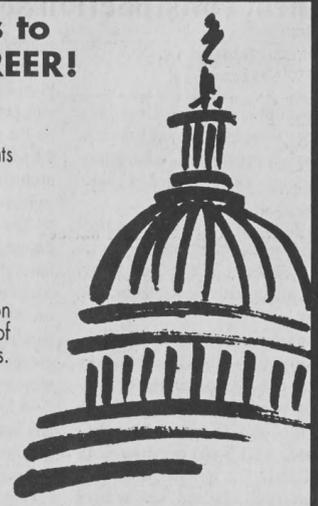
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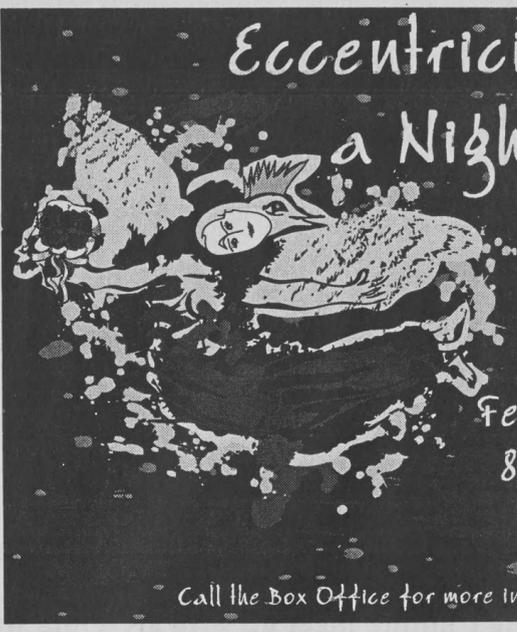
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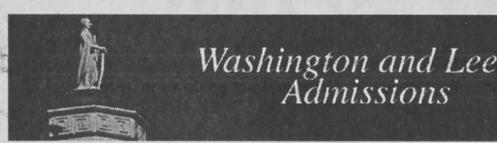


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Hell no, he won't go

According to some polls, Bill Clinton's approval rating is at 76 percent.

It's time for the Republicans to count their losses and get back to work. They are digging themselves into a hole that's going to lead them right out of office.

They may think they're trying the President on charges of perjury, but America still sees it as a sexual witch hunt.

The American people think Clinton's sleazy, but they don't care. Their marketwatch.com stock just went up 500 percent.

The people really haven't cared about Clinton's problems from the beginning. Pot-smoking, draft-evading, Whitewater, Filegate, Travelgate and Paulagate all made news before the 1996 election. Clinton still won.

I know the issue should not be about Clinton's approval rating. But popularity is what politics are really about. In the end, it will all come down to that.

It's not that I think the Republicans should cop out. It's not a cop out to give up on something that never had much merit from the beginning.

Clinton is a lawyer. A brilliant one at that. The prosecutors in the Paula Jones trial — not quite that bright. They accepted the convoluted definition of sexual relations that has haunted the nation ever since. Clinton answered like any lawyer would.

Clinton might be slimy, but what defendant in a sexual harassment trial would say to the prosecutor, "I think your definition of sexual relations is much too narrow. You can't even imagine the things we did together?"

From the beginning, Clinton-supporters viewed the Jones case as a Republican-motivated witch hunt. Why would Clinton hand himself over to his predators if he didn't need to?

His use of lawyer-ese might be ridiculous, but prosecutors should have been prepared. They know what he was about. They asked the wrong questions.

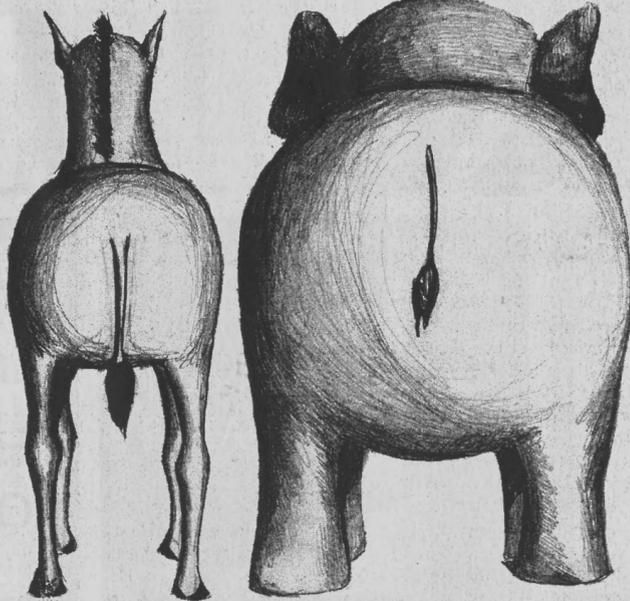
Members of the House decided that they cared much more about the next step of the process, though — the grand jury.

In the grand jury testimony, Clinton fully admits to an improper relationship with Monica Lewinsky. That is all that should have been in question. No one, not even Kenneth Star, needed to know Monica and

Bill's every move. The charges of suborning perjury with his staff would not hold weight in a court of law. They shouldn't in a political trial, either.

Betty Curie insists that Clinton did not ask her to lie. Clinton agrees. Who is there to say definitively otherwise. There is no actual evidence. That

Φ From the left
Hollister Hovey '00



doesn't mean it didn't happen, but they should not be able to remove the president from office on the grounds of circumstantial evidence. In this case they cannot prove he committed a high crime or misdemeanor.

He should not go down in history as the first American President to be thrown out of office.

If the Senate does convict, the Republican Party will have to be ready for a gigantic public backlash. Larry Flint won't be the only citizen paying millions to get dirt on the sexual pasts of the GOP.

They've already opened the proverbial can of worms. If they convict, it will only get worse.

The media hailstorm of amoral politics will only get more Jerry Springer-ized. That's the last thing we need.

Remove Clinton now

As the nation has been engulfed by the media frenzy surrounding one of the largest presidential scandals in history, the American people have grown weary, frustrated and much too eager to put an end to the Clinton matter by the easiest means possible.

Impeachment is certainly not the easiest or most desirable method for restoring order to our chaotic political environment, but it is the only way.

If one looks past all of the sordid, sexual details and flagrant bipartisan attacks, both of which are abundant, one

oath about any topic, including sex. These laws have serious consequences for any American citizen who chooses to ignore them, including the president.

Bill Clinton has not only mocked his responsibility as a citizen to tell the truth, but he has also violated the public trust. The American people elected Clinton in the faith that he would protect the Constitution on which our democracy was founded.

Instead, by attempting to undermine the legal process, Clinton has only succeeded in undermining the very trust that defines his relationship with his constituents. He has treated the law as a mere stepping stone on his way to maintaining his own power and prestige. These facts constitute high crimes and misdemeanors, and are worthy of impeachment.

Most Democrats would like to see Clinton censured and move on their merry way. The censure terms proposed by the Democrats on the Judiciary Committee state that the president "made false statements concerning his reprehensible conduct" and "wrongly took steps to delay discovery of the truth."

The censure proposal itself, which is favored by the White House, only serves to back up the perjury and obstruction of justice claims made by the so-called evil Republicans.

What good will a hefty fine and public reprimand do to alter the damage that Clinton has already done to the nation and its people. If we ignore abuse of the legal system now, will that not leave the door open for future leaders to do the same?

Yes, impeachment is a constitutional crisis of grand proportions and it will have some harsh ramifications for our society. These consequences, however, will in no way outweigh the damage that will be done if Clinton is simply slapped on the wrist.

We attend a university in which honor and integrity are revered and in which lying and cheating are considered to be evils worthy of expulsion. If we value the ideals of Washington and Lee in our personal lives, then should we not also consider them to be equally important in the life of our nation's highest leader?

The Clinton trial is not simply about sex and cigars, but about standards of truth and justice and upholding these American traditions — these W&L traditions. Our president has failed in his duty to defend our Constitution. Can we really afford to do the same?

Φ From the right
Ginger Phillips '01

can see the true foundation for the case against the president: Bill Clinton has purposefully and premeditatedly lied under oath.

Most Democrats do not even dispute the fact that the president lied under oath in his Jan. 17 deposition in the Paula Jones case and in his grand jury testimony seven months later.

Because Clinton's self-proclaimed "misleading" testimony revolves around the topic of sex, many are prone to dismiss the act of lying all together. They claim that every American would lie about improper sexual relations if placed in the same position.

Perhaps, but laws against committing perjury exist to prevent lying under

ODK overlooks qualified students

One glance at the Omicron Delta Kappa list brings a few concerns quickly to light. And it's not just who is on it; it's also who isn't. After glancing at the list, I looked into ODK, and I'm not sure I liked what I saw.

ODK was founded at Washington and Lee University on December 3, 1914, by 15 student and faculty leaders. According to the W&L ODK web site, "Student membership candidates must rank in the upper 35 percent in scholarship of their school or college and must show leadership in at least one of five areas: scholarship; athletics; campus or community service; social, religious activities, and campus

government; journalism, speech, and the mass media; and creative and performing arts." The web site also notes, "Emphasis is placed on the development of the whole person, both as a member of the college community and as a contributor to a better society." Dean of Students David Howison said that ODK wants leaders from all fields, but that the g.p.a. cutoff can hurt people.

"There are nominees who are immensely qualified, but their grades just aren't up to the standards," Howison said. That raised a big question for me: who decides? How does one get chosen for this illustrious honor? The web site doesn't say. Howison said that the grade point average cutoff for the group is strict, so all juniors and seniors in the right g.p.a. bracket are automatically considered for the group. Nominees from students and faculty are also considered. Who considers them? Why, a committee of existing members, of course!

All existing ODK members can be on the committee if they choose. With the help of Howison, they look over the list of candidates, and a majority vote chooses the lucky few. Howison said that, although a simple majority vote could be close, it never is. Discussion about potential members is usually going on long before the vote is taken.

The result this year was clear-cut: 10 out of the 19 undergraduate inductees are dorm counselors or resident assistants (who are, incidentally, chosen for those positions by committees that include existing dorm counselors and resident assistants). In fact, 14 out of the 46 current D.C.s and R.A.s are members of ODK.

That isn't so strange, you might say. Dorm counselors are, after all, campus leaders by definition, and ODK is a leadership honor society. Besides, that leaves nine people who aren't dorm counselors who were still initiated this year.

It's who DIDN'T get in that puzzles me. For example, although the society claims to include leaders in campus publications, not one person initiated this year or last was a leader in any campus publication. Given the number of hours that editors of campus papers, magazines and journals put in every term, their leadership cannot be questioned. But they still didn't make the cut. And there are other people who seem deserving who didn't get the honor.

I wonder how people like Erin Kraal, Amy Frazier and Cliff Woolley can possibly be excluded. Kraal (assistant head resident assistant this year), while taking a break from run-

ning her hall, took the time to form WITS, an outreach program that involves area girls in science. Frazier was the editor of *The Trident*, and being in charge of any campus publication takes literally hundreds of hours of work each year. Somehow she also finds the time to lead Outing Club activities. Woolley seems to be ready to lend a hand with anything, be it running the Computing HelpDesk, working on projects in the theater department or keeping the equipment working in the j-school. And these are just a few of the unsung heroes who probably deserve to be sung about more often for all they do around here.

Maybe their grades aren't high enough for the strict ODK cutoff, you say. Well, then, I have to question why ODK puts so much emphasis on grades when there are countless other national societies to honor academic achievement. But we can't change the way ODK does things, you say. Fine. Then maybe we should start a new society, one that actually focuses on leadership, not academics. And maybe we should find a more impartial way of inducting members.

Sure, ODK is a great honor, and probably all those inducted deserved it. But I just can't help but think that some people are falling through the cracks. If they just aren't well-known enough to existing members, or if their grades just aren't high enough, they get passed over. A word to the wise: keep an eye out. There are other campus leaders who deserve much of the credit for making this place run, and although they didn't get ODK, they get all of my support and admiration.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Security urges patience during construction period

Dear Editor,

As W&L students plan their housing arrangements for the upcoming 99-00 school year they should keep in mind the parking problems that will result from construction of the new parking garage. The construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in the spring term this year. Until construction is completed in January 2000, there will be more restrictive parking measures in effect. These restrictions will affect most of the student body with special emphasis on upperclass students who live off campus.

As is the case for this year, those students who live within one-half mile of Washington Hall are not authorized daytime parking in any campus lot. Several students who live in the downtown Lexington area have been affected by these restrictions. Some landlords do not provide parking for their tenants. Students should keep parking availability in mind as they choose housing for next year.

Because of the construction, which will eliminate student parking in the area of Doremus Gym and the Warner Center, commuting students will be shifted to the area known as the old freshman lot. Incoming freshmen next year will be moved again to the area of the new tennis center and the Pavilion. Residents of fraternity houses and theme houses will be restricted to their designated areas in Red Square and Davidson Park as they are this year. Residents of Woods Creek and Gaines Hall will also continue to park in those areas designated for them. Several parking areas will be redesignated for faculty and staff parking only.

Enforcement of parking rules and regulations for next year will be strict. Additionally, the City of Lexington will be stepping up its enforcement efforts in the downtown area. Washington and Lee students are responsible for a large number of parking violations in Lexington each year. The University has pledged to assist the city in helping with the parking problems caused by our students, particularly during the construction phase of the parking garage. We are asking that all students who have vehicles in Lexington make a special effort to ease the parking difficulties by parking where they are assigned and not violating the Lexington parking laws.

Once completed, the new parking garage will relieve a major portion of the parking problems in and around our campus. It will be difficult during the construction of this garage and the University is requesting the cooperation of everyone so as to alleviate as much of the problem as possible.

Michael Young
Director of Security

Quote of the week:

"I wish instead of a beer belly, I got beer breasts."
— Anonymous sophomore girl

Meal of the week

by Sex Machine and Fire & Ice

#8: Two all beef Baja Gorditas, one soft taco, some fire sauce, and a refreshing Dr. Pepper



Fire & Ice: Well, Sex Machine, Taco Bell introduced its new Baja Gordita this week. I know you've always been a big fan of the Supreme, but I think the Baja might be a worthy contender.

Sex Machine: Ice, baby, the fly flavor of the new Baja certainly launched my taste buds into orbit. Our mistake, my fiery friend, was ordering the all beef. That zippy Baja tang needs to join the juices of some tender steak.

F&I: S&M man, you're so right on one point. The beef did leave a bit to be desired, something the Sex Machine never allows, but I'm going to have to say that the new all white chicken would have been a tastier choice.

S.M.: Whatever you like. At least we agree that the Baja is a worthy counterpart to the Supreme. I'm not saying that the Baja should take the place of the Supreme. They each have their place.

F&I: Another thing I'd like to say about the Bell is that those are some efficient workers. I stood stupefied as I watched the chef do his Mexican magic. I want to meet the culinary genius who figured out that a caulking gun could be used for easy application of sour cream.

S.M.: Well, I have one word for you, "Spankings."
F&I: That's "Spanky's." I'll see you later in the week when we get together to get a little Rowdy.

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AIDS & HIV

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By Erica Prosser
FEATURES EDITOR

Most of us grew up in a world already dealing with the AIDS epidemic. We were bombarded by ad campaigns, signs and speakers that told us what HIV-positive meant, how the virus could be spread and what we could do to be careful. Soon, the little red loops of ribbon on people's lapels were an everyday sight, one we barely noticed anymore. Unfortunately, now that AIDS has been around for almost 20 years, some of us may be getting rusty on our AIDS knowledge. Think you still know everything you were taught in grade school? Take this quiz and find out. All answers are true or false. (Answers below)

H I V Q U I Z

- Being on birth control pills reduces my risk of contracting HIV.
- I can get HIV by having oral sex.
- I can get HIV by French kissing.
- If someone infected with HIV is in my class at school, I am more likely to get it.
- I can get HIV by giving blood.
- Mothers can pass HIV on to their unborn babies.
- I can't get HIV from having anal sex.
- If I've never used intravenous drugs and only had sex with one partner, I can't get HIV.
- I could get HIV from having a blood transfusion.
- I can't get HIV from a mosquito bite.
- HIV can be spread by using the same bathroom as an infected individual.
- Latex condoms are highly effective in reducing my chance of getting HIV.
- Mothers can pass HIV to their babies while breastfeeding.
- HIV can be transmitted through most bodily fluids, but not sweat, tears or sneezes.

Hooking-up with death

A PHI STAFF EDITORIAL

It's easy to assume that we at Washington and Lee are immune to the AIDS epidemic. Hell, these kids are from rich families. Look how they dress. This isn't the HIV crowd. Get real. In no way is this a campus that likes to abstain — from much of anything — especially sex. Our culture of binge drinking encourages it. And through the haze of beer goggles, condoms are probably not the highest priority. There are no reported cases of HIV or AIDS on campus, but one person could start an epidemic. That one person might have HIV already, and not even realize it.

Because it can take years to die from AIDS-related complications, we might not see a current W&L student succumb to kaposi sarcoma, wasting disease or AIDS-related pneumonia — but many people could be dead by our five and ten year reunions if we aren't careful. Don't be blinded by another student's good looks or popularity. You don't know their sexual pasts. Remember, the next time you hook-up, an embarrassing glance from your one-night partner on the Colonnade may be the least of your concerns. If you feel you might be at risk, go to the infirmary immediately.

- ANSWERS:**
- False. Birth control pills have no effect on HIV. If you're on the pill and have unprotected sex, you could still get infected.
 - True. HIV is carried through blood, semen and vaginal secretions, and those could enter the body through sores or cuts in the mouth or throat.
 - False. Everyday classroom activity and contact cannot spread the virus.
 - False. HIV is carried through blood, semen and vaginal secretions, and those could enter the body through sores or cuts in the mouth or throat.
 - False. Blood banks are completely sterile; a new, clean needle is used for each donor.
 - True. Pregnant mothers can spread HIV to their unborn babies.
 - False. Anal sex is very risky for the spread of HIV, especially since many people think it's safe.
 - False. It only takes one person to infect another, regardless of drug use, gender or sexual orientation.
 - True. HIV cannot live in a mosquito, and mosquitoes can't pass it to you.
 - True. HIV cannot live in a mosquito, and mosquitoes can't pass it to you.
 - False. Contact with sinks, toilet seats and towels used by an infected person cannot spread it to you.
 - True. When used properly, latex condoms greatly reduce your chance of getting HIV.
 - True. Even after the baby is born, mothers can pass HIV to their babies.
 - True. Sweat, tears and sneezes do not contain the virus, so don't be worried if an infected person cries, sneezes or sweats near you.
 - True. HIV can be transmitted through most bodily fluids, but not sweat, tears or sneezes.

Lowden comes up big

Freshman Berry Lowden scores in the final seconds of Saturday's game to give the women's team a narrow win.

By Tod Williams
SPORTS WRITER

On Saturday against Guilford, the Generals proved they were a second-half ball club in dramatic fashion. With only 28 seconds left in Saturday's game, freshman guard Berry Lowden made the lay-up that would end the Generals' 10-game, five-year losing streak against ODAC foe Guilford. The basket, which came from Lowden's rebound after her own previous miss, put the Generals up 63-61 for good, snapping the Quakers' four-game winning streak.

"I drove the baseline," Lowden said of the last-minute action, "and after I put the first shot up, the rebound just kind of fell right back down to me, and it seemed like I was the only one around. Everything was in slow motion. It was such an adrenaline rush."

It did not look like the Generals were in control in the game until Lowden made the go-ahead basket. Washington and Lee trailed Guilford by as much as 18 with less than five minutes left in the first half, but the Generals were able to cut a little from the lead, and went into the locker room down only 14 point, 42-28.

When the Generals came back from the break, they raced out on an 11-4 run, only to have the Quakers answer with an 8-2 run to build the Quaker lead to 13 at 54-41 with only 9:47 left in the game. At that point, the Generals decided to take control of the game. In the next five and a half minutes, W&L went on a 22-7 run. With 4:11 left, freshman Alison Kudlacik nailed her third three-pointer of the day, knotting the score at 58-58.

Guilford's Erin Beacham hit her own three-pointer with 3:56 remaining, but the Quakers would not see the bottom of the net again. Kudlacik hit two from the charity stripe, and freshman Jessica Mentz added another to tie the game at 61-61, setting the stage for Lowden's heroics. Mentz had 16 on the day, while Kudlacik scored a game-high, career-high 21 points, 15 of which came in the second half.

Kudlacik shot 7-for-11 from the floor, including 3-for-5 from behind the arch.

Kudlacik said the team had talked in the days prior to the game, and went into the game more focused on playing together. Yet she saw the Generals soon slipping into their old ways. "We knew we weren't playing well at the end of the first half," Kudlacik said. "At halftime Coach [Terri Dadio Campbell] corrected the X's and O's and everything, but then we talked as a team. We knew we could win, so we just went out there and played like it. Right now, we're ready to start accomplishing what we know we can do."

Senior forward Chrissy Burghardt led the Generals in rebounds with 10. Beacham lead the Quakers with 18, and both Arden Miller Landenberg and Kerrie Campbell of Guilford each added 12 points.

Everything was in slow motion. It was such an adrenaline rush.

— Freshman Berry Lowden

Thursday's game against Bridgewater did not go as well for the Generals, as they lost 70-53. The Eagles began what appeared would be a dismal day for W&L with a 9-0 run, but the Generals quickly retaliated, going up 14-13. That one point lead would be the only time W&L would be ahead.

The Eagles went into the break ahead 30-19, and the second half would echo those numbers. The Generals shot 44% in the game, only one percent less than Bridgewater, and W&L actually won the rebound game by five boards, 31-26. But turnovers tell the real story of the game. The Generals turned the ball over 27 times in their loss to Bridgewater, compared to only 18 times in the win over Guilford.

Ansley Miller led W&L with 17 points, and Burghardt notched her sixth double-double of the season with 10 points and 11 boards, seven of which came on the Eagles' end of the court. Amanda and Angela Osborn led Bridgewater with 18 and 17 points, respectively.

On Tuesday, the Generals hope to continue their winning ways as they host Virginia Wesleyan at 7 p.m. in the Warner Center.

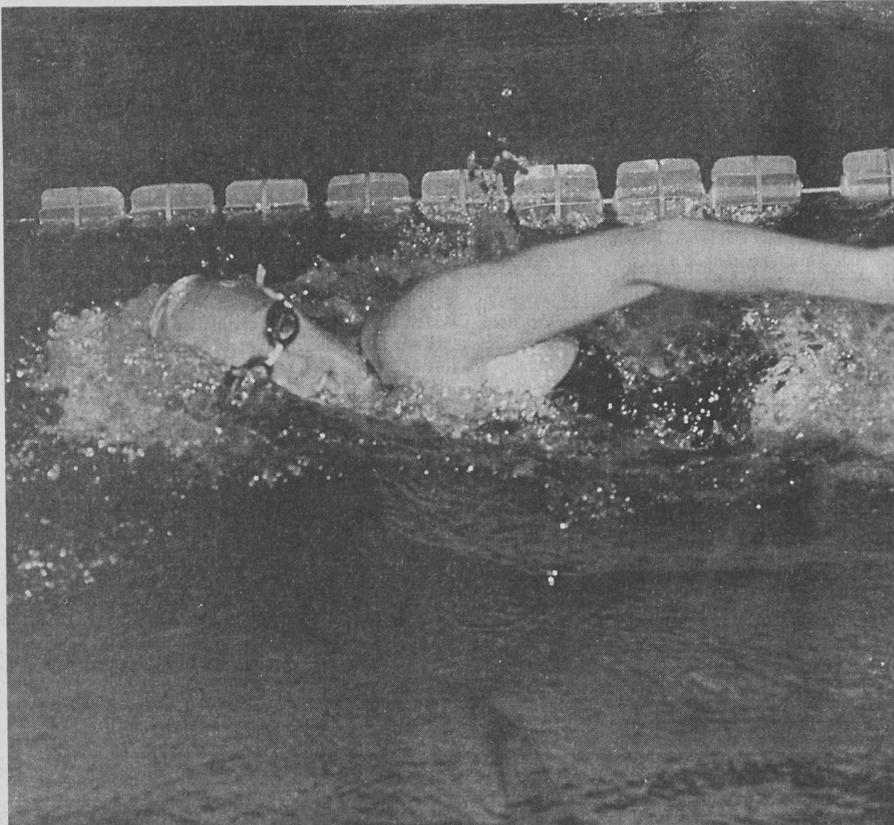


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Junior Lauren Beckenhauer starts off the 800-free relay. Though the team lost both meets this weekend, a number of individual victories, personal bests, and records were posted.

Hoehl shines in face of defeat

By Steele Cooper
SPORTS WRITER

The Washington and Lee men's and women's swim teams both dropped disappointing losses to Johns Hopkins and Sewanee on Friday and Saturday. The men fell to JHU with a score of 124-21, and to Sewanee with a score of 97-48. Hopkins defeated the women with a 103-42 score, as did Sewanee with a 106-38 score.

The bright spot for the Generals this weekend was a tremendous performance by senior captain Margaret Hoehl. In three events Hoehl won three first place finishes, two NCAA provisional qualifying times, and a new school record. In the 500 Free, her time of 5:09.43 broke the W&L record that had stood since 1989. She also met the NCAA qualifying time and defeated the No. 1 ranked swimmer in

that event from Sewanee.

Hoehl also won the 200 Free with a time of 1:57.83, and the 1650 Free with a time of 17:53.11. Her finish in the 1650 Free was good enough to earn her a second NCAA qualification this weekend.

Leading the W&L men once again was junior co-captain Jared Fribush. The All-American sprinter took second in the 50 and 100 Free with the respective times of 22.05 and 49.76.

After this weekend's defeats Fribush remained optimistic about the rest of the season. "I know we've got a good group of swimmers out here," Fribush said. "We will just learn from some mistakes in order to get better for the following meets."

The Generals will get their chance to prove this on Saturday, Jan. 30, when they host Mary Washington starting at 2 p.m.

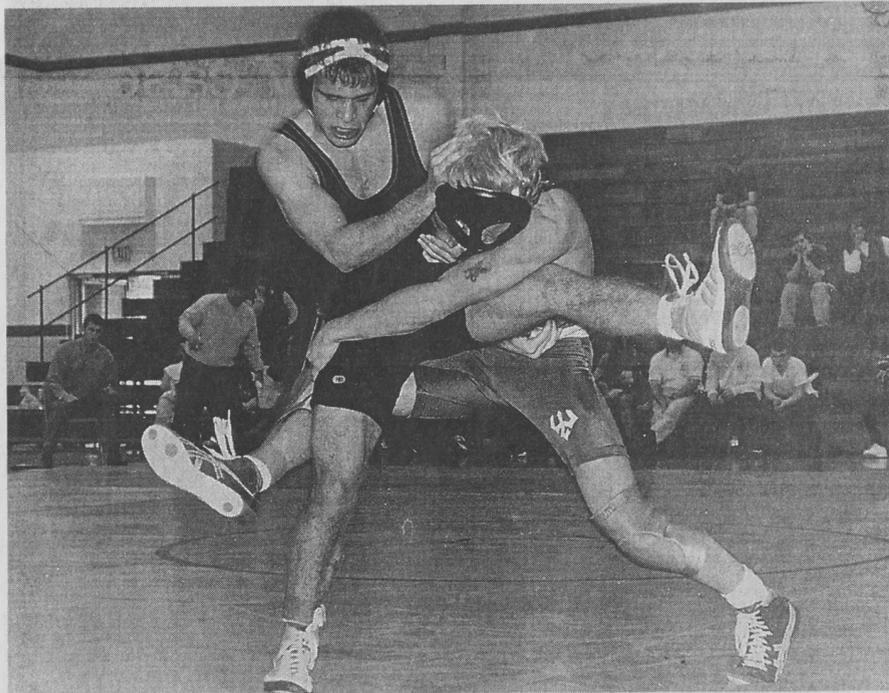


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Junior Chad Casto, with face protection for a previously broken nose, tries to trip his foe.

Wrestling holds own at home

The Washington and Lee University wrestling team placed sixth of eight teams in the W&L Invitational on Saturday afternoon in the Warner Center.

Leading the way individually for the Generals was junior Chad Casto, who was the runner-up in the 133-pound bracket. After a first round bye, Casto defeated Davidson's Dan Carman 13-5 in the second round before losing to Scranton's John Cavey in the finals, 5-1.

Sophomore Jeff Paul also produced a second place finish, his coming in the 197-pound bracket. Paul began by defeating Judah Keenan of Pensacola Christian, 10-3, then pinning Doug Norris of Longwood in just 29 seconds. In the finals, Tony Booth of Washington and Jefferson emerged victorious, downing Paul, 10-5.

Freshman Ezra Morse took home third place in the 174-pound bracket for the Generals. Morse defeated Davidson's Jeff Bender 12-0 in the first round before suffering an 8-3 defeat to Longwood's Kamel Chantal in the second round. Morse then advanced ahead of sophomore teammate John Valentine by default and then defeated Davidson's Justin Perkinson 3-2 in the consolation round to earn the third place finish.

Washington and Jefferson took home top team honors and Scranton's Mike Grandchamp was named Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament. W&L will be in action again on Sat., Jan. 30 at 11 a.m. when it travels to Swarthmore for the Swarthmore Quadrangular.

— Courtesy of Sports Information

Track still running strong

The Washington and Lee's men's and women's indoor track and field teams continued their season on Saturday afternoon with fine performances at the Lebanon Valley College Invitational.

The women were paced by senior Lisa Brennan and sophomore Wendy Case, who finished first and second in the women's 1,500-meter run with respective times of 5:16.4 and 5:19.1. Senior Darrick Alford led the men with a second place finish in the men's 1,500-meter run and a time of 4:24.7.

W&L sophomore Kathleen Moroney came in third place in the women's 800-meter run with a time of 2:38.2. Freshman Justin Novak finished sixth in the men's 800-meter run with a time of 2:10.7.

Junior Hansell Pasco finished sixth in the men's 200-meter dash, with a time of 24.8 seconds.

The Generals will travel to Carlisle, Pa. next Saturday to participate in the Dickinson College Invitational.

— Courtesy of Sports Information

Men down, but not out

By Brendan Harrington
SPORTS WRITER

For the Washington and Lee men's basketball team, 1999 has been anything but a happy new year.

The Generals (3-12, 2-7) lost their eighth straight game Wednesday night at Emory and Henry, falling to the Wasps 92-57 to remain winless in 1999. The Generals last victory came on Dec. 9, when they defeated the same E&H team 80-70 in Lexington.

"Having beaten E&H the way we did in the last game, it was very disappointing to lose," Coach Kevin Moore said. "It was the same exact team."

The Wasps (9-5, 6-2) took the lead 7-6 early on in the game and never looked back. E&H led at the half 38-24 and used a 7-0 run to start the second half and break the game wide open. The Wasps outscored the Generals 54-33 in the second half.

E&H shot a solid 53% from the field and was 6-11 from behind the three-point arc. The Wasps scored 30 points off 24 W&L turnovers and out-rebounded the Generals 42-29.

"We got beat in every phase of the

game," Moore said. "Defensively, that's the worst we've played all year. They were doing whatever they wanted and we couldn't stop them."

Sophomore guard Bryan Prueff scored a game-high 24 points for the Wasps. Senior forward Donald Thurston scored 18 and his twin brother Ronald added 13.

For W&L, senior Kevin Cobbin had 10 points and sophomore Will Ballard had eight. The Generals shot 22-28 (79%) from the free throw line but shot only 34% from the field and 1-10 from three-point land.

Things don't get any easier for the Generals as they travel to first-place Hampden Sydney on Wednesday. The Tigers were undefeated and ranked first in the nation until they lost to Randolph-Macon 68-57 on their home floor this past week.

Moore was quick to point out that W&L played that same Randolph-Macon team tough last Saturday in Lexington, a game they lost by five points.

"We have nothing to lose," Moore said. "We have nine games to play and we want to be in the ODAC tournament. We are not about to pack it in."

Wrestling Results

133 lbs.: Chad Casto d. Dan Carman (Davidson), 13-5
John Carvey (Scranton) d. Chad Casto, 5-1.

149 lbs.: Josh Chamberlain d. Justin Bellman (Valley Forge), Fall 3:28.
Anthony Albert (Davidson) d. Josh Chamberlain, 5-4.
Josh Chamberlain d. Russ LeFrance (Scranton), Fall 1:30.
Justin Bellman (Valley Forge) d. Josh Chamberlain, 5-0.

157 lbs.: Ian Kaplan (Davidson) d. James McKnight, Fall 0:25.
Kevin

Murray (Scranton) d. James McKnight, Fall 1:04.
Mike Lynch (Scranton) d. Ivan Zdanov, Inj. Def.
Ryan Phelps (Pensacola Christian) d. Ivan Zdanov, Inj. Def.

165 lbs.: Mike Grandchamp (Scranton) d. Greg Valentine, Fall 0:51.
Greg Valentine d. Dennis James (Valley Forge), 4-2.
Beau Dickerson (Longwood) d. Greg Valentine, 9-3.
Dusty Werner (Pensacola Christian) d. Dan Comer, Tech. Fall 6:02.
Dan Comer d. Rayson Ashton (Gallaudet), 14-8.
Alan Roe

(Davidson) d. Dan Comer, DQ
174 lbs.: Mike Mason (W&J) d. John Valentine, Fall 2:05.
John Valentine d. Max Ivankov, Fall 4:21.
Ezra Morse d. Ezra Morse, Def.
Justin Perkinson (Davidson) d. Max Ivankov, Fall 5:38.
Ezra Morse d. Jeff Bender (Davidson), 12-0.
Kamel Chantal (Longwood) d. Ezra Morse, 8-3.
Ezra Morse def. Justin Perkinson (Davidson), 3-2
184 lbs.: Alex McManimen d. Bill Aymes (Valley Forge), Fall 0:47.
Wes Koteski (W&J) d. Alex

McManimen, Fall 2:52.
James Shackelford (Longwood) d. Alex McManimen, Def.

197 lbs.: Jeff Paul d. Judah Keenan (Pensacola Christian), 10-3.
Jeff Paul d. Doug Norris (Longwood), Fall 0:29.
Tony Boone (W&J) d. Jeff Paul, 10-5.

Hwt.: Aaron Drabkin (W&J) d. Marshall Sutton, 6-4.
Vernon McNece (Gallaudet) d. Marshall Sutton, Fall 1:51.

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God revises the Ten Commandments

by Kevin McManemin
DUCKING THE LIGHTNING BOLT

Does it bother anyone else that no new books have been added to the Bible in several centuries? Back in the old days people couldn't wipe their noses without God adding another book telling them how to live, but now the man upstairs seems content to just sit back and let the faithful have their fun misinterpreting vague 2,400 year-old passages.

Well, I think it's time for God to get off his cosmic ass, dust off his pen and give us some clear rules on how to live in this frantic modern age, clear up the moral ambiguities and take some stands on modern ethical dilemmas.

Wait a minute, I'm feeling divine inspiration kicking in right now...

The Book of Tito Chapter 24

And Lo, it soon came the twenty-fifth day of the first month in the seventh year in the second realm of King Clinton the Elder of Washing Town.

The prophet of the Lord, her name being Jenn and Jenn being her name, did ascend upon a mountain high in the Catskills on a nature hike, and there seest she a burning bush.

"I am the Lord," sayest the bush. "Lord, are you aware you're on fire?" replied Jenn.

"Of course I'm aware! Now I shalt give thou ten commandments, ten... what the hell are you doing?"

"Stamping you out. That bush is an endangered species."

"Never mind the bush. I am the Lord thy God, who created all the bushes and trees and birds of the air."

"All the more reason you should respect wildlife. Shame on you!"

"Shame on... I AM THE LORD! Thou shalt not disrespect me. I see all and know all."

"I'm so sure. Where's the hidden speaker? Am I on one of those hidden camera shows?"

"I have chosen you to be my messenger, Jenn, to spread my new commandments throughout my flock. For centuries people have been misinterpreting my Word. It is time I cleared a few things up."

"All right, I'll play along. What channel is this going to be on? Hold on, let me put on some makeup. I look so totally gross right now."

"Forget the makeup. I give thee... THE WORD OF GOD!"

Thus at the spaking of the Lord, the rocks didst shake and the ground didst split apart. Two stone tablets emerged from the ground, and the fire of the Lord did burn words on the tablets.

"Cool pyrotechnics," Jenn said. "Go now," sayest the Lord. "Take mine commandments to my people."

"On stone tablets? Yeah, right. Why don't you just post it on the web?"

"The web?"

"Sure. Just buy yourself a computer with a modem. I got a Powerbook a few months ago. Got it on sale from Office Max. Half off!"

"Really? Half off?"

The Lord didst go to Office Max the next day, but the sale being a President's Day Sale eight months ago, the sale had ended, and the Lord being too late for the sale decided against paying full price, and didst instead buy a cheaper model with comparative RAM but only a 28.8 modem.

Thus the next day the Lord did log on and design his new website, (www.heaven.org) which boasted MIDIs of "How Great Thou Art" and "Amazing Grace" and a hilarious "pin-the-Jesus-on-the-cross" Java appelet. There was even a section where people could send e-prayers to the Lord. The Lord got it on all the major web directories and even got a website review

in *PC World* magazine, and the web traffic was great, and the Lord was pleased.

And on his page the Lord didst post the following message:

My people, I give these Ten Commandments to you that you may live in My Light.

Follow them thusly and you shall eat naught but milk and honey and Snapple. Disobey mine orders and thou shalt be smited.

I) I am the Lord thou God, thou shalt worship no other God but me. This also applies to trendy Eastern religions that have that "not-really-a-God-but-an-interconnectedness-of-all-nature" crap. In fact anything involving yoga is right out. I'm running a religion here, not a friggin' calisthenics class.

II) Thou shalt not make false idols. Sports stars, actors and rock stars shalt thou not worship, for these idols are mostly alcoholics and drug addicts. Thou shalt build no shrines to the Spice Girls.

III) Thou shalt not use the name of the Lord in vain; at least not between the hours of 7-9 p.m. on network television.

IV) Honor thy father and mother. Not just your biological father and mother, if you know who they are, but your father and mother's new spouses/life partners as well. Honor also the grandmother or aunt who actually raised you. Honor your day care provider or, if your folks were wealthy enough, your illegal immigrant nanny who looked after you during your formative years.

V) Thou shalt not kill, unless thou can afford great lawyers.

VI) Thou shalt obey the marriage covenant. Well, obviously there are exceptions depending upon your definition of "sex." For example, oral sex is not really sex, but even if it is, a woman who pleasures a man is breaking the marriage covenant but he is

not. Hast thou got it? Lying is also bad, except for lying under oath about sex, which is understandable.

VII) Thou shalt not steal. When thou writest a song, thou shalt write thy own melodies and lyrics and not "sample" them from other sources.

VIII) Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife. Thy neighbor's sixteen-year-old daughter shalt thou covet in the stead. Thy neighbor's wife hast seen better years; thy neighbor's wife's bosoms doth sag low. Besides, thy neighbor's sixteen-year-old

daughter is probably more sexually experienced.

IX) Keep holy the Sabbath day. Hey, how come no one ever sacrifices goats to me anymore? I rather liked that gesture. Let's bring it back.

X) The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

And thus the people of the Lord did read the message and misinterpreted Commandments 2-6 as procla-

mations against homosexuals, Commandments 7-9 as a "green light" to abortion doctor murders and Commandment 10 as a sign that the anti-Christ is Christopher Reeve.

And thus the Lord sighed a heavy sigh and hurled the Earth into the sun. The sun being unpleasantly hot, the people did perish, except for the Canadians where the temperature was now livable.

Thus the Canadians became rulers of the earth and peace and politeness returned to the world.

Don't get soaked by Adam Sandler's "The Waterboy"

by Brian Prisco
PHI MOVIE GUY

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(WAIT UNTIL TBS PLAYS IT
FOUR DAYS IN A ROW)

What's that I hear? Someone running around like a jackass and making ridiculous cro-magnon sounds while affecting some sort of irritating accent? Could it be? YES! It is! Another Adam Sandler movie.

Adam Sandler, or "OH SHIT NOT AGAIN" as many other movie critics refer to him, is in fact a funny, funny man. I know when I am going to see one of his movies, I can basically check my brain in at the door and enjoy the slapstick immature retard humor (no offense to retards, you probably have more social skeels than Sandler).

I have laughed and laughed at every single movie he has made, includ-

ing this one. "Billy Madison," "Happy Gilmore" and "The Wedding Singer" are some of the funniest movies ever made. I can sit and watch them over and over again. This movie, though, I could only watch over and over again if someone strapped me into one of those torture chairs from "Clockwork Orange" and held my eyes open with hooks.

If you saw the preview, you basically saw just about every funny moment in the movie. Basic plot: idjit gets mocked, idjit gets pissed, idjit cripples college students with bone crunching hits, idjit becomes a hero. Okay, so I wasn't expecting some psychological thriller. I just wanted to see the big mongoloid smash into people.

It happens, but not nearly enough to keep me entertained. This movie is really not worth the price of the ticket. At least in his other movies, Sandler kept the tempo up and kept the action fresh. This movie's humor gets stale by the first half-hour.

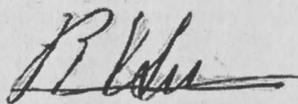
I like Adam Sandler. I have all three

of his albums. I have seen all his movies. He is funny. After "The Wedding Singer," I didn't know which direction he was going to go. Apparently, neither did he. This movie is really just sub-par in comparison with his other work. Was it funny? Okay, I admit it made me laugh, but my time would have been better spent watching his early stuff.

The major problem here is that he chose an awful lead character. Bobby Boucher is based on "The Excited Southerner" from his comedy sketches. I don't know how y'all feel, but "The Excited Southerner" is suh-suh-suh-stupid. I don't mean that in the nice Ralph Wiggum with a flute stuck up his nose stupid, but in the boring, odd, disturbing sort of stupid. Like MAD TV.

I guess I'm just asking for a movie about his character "The Goat." Who wouldn't love a talking goat that swears like an enraged sailor and sounds like an illegal immigrant? NOW THAT'S COMEDY!

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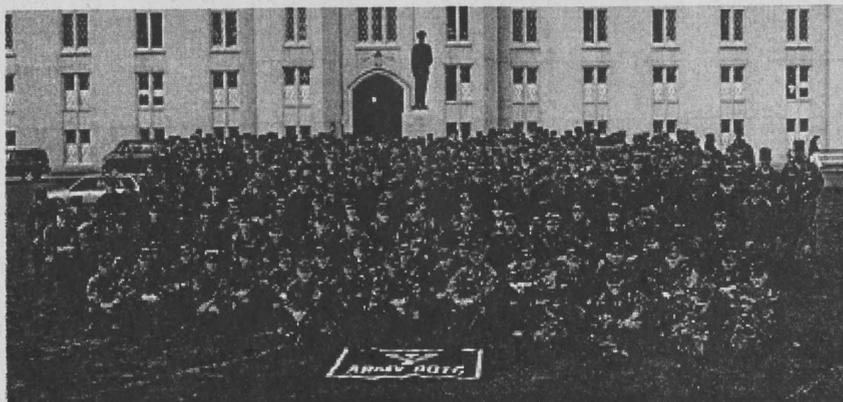
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