

Arch
378.755
R552
V. 95
No. 1
P. 2

Weekend Weather

Friday - partly cloudy,
highs in the low 80's
Saturday - partly sunny,
highs in the mid 80's
Sunday - partly sunny,
highs in the upper 70's

Breaking the silence: WLUR rocks on 3

Hull watched by pro scout 8

The Ring-tum Phi

VOLUME 96, NO. 1

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY

LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

SEPTEMBER 8, 1995

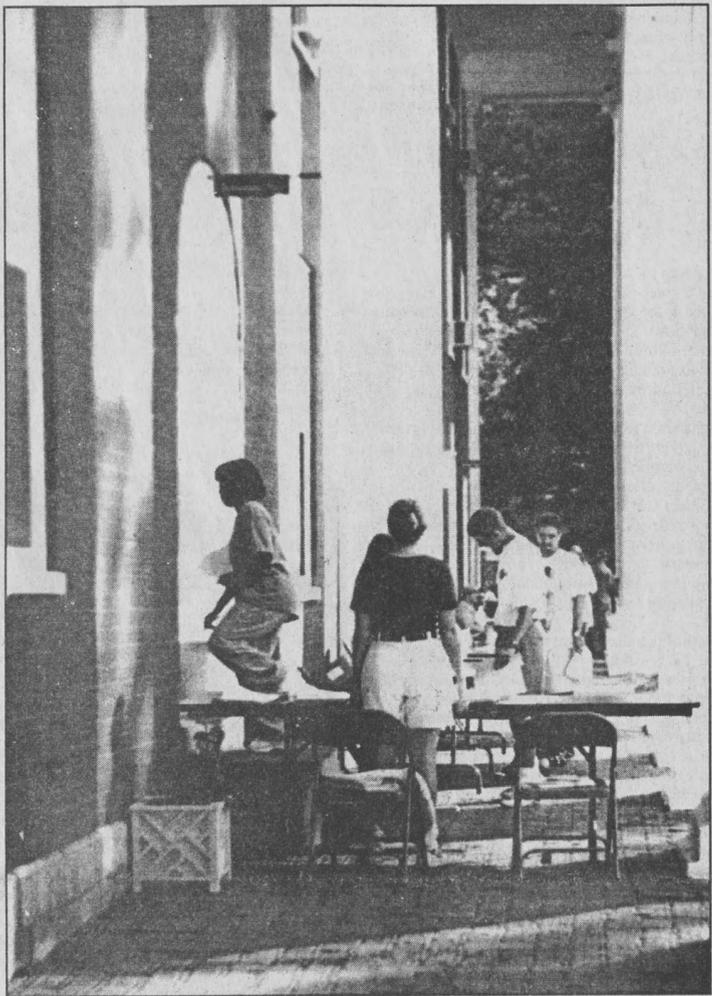


Photo by Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

Is this the line for Dead tickets?

Students stand in line outside Robinson Hall to matriculate Wednesday. Matriculation culminates in the Opening Convocation, which marks the beginning of the new academic year.

Kemp to advise Mock Con

By Emily Baker
Phi Executive Editor

Jack Kemp has agreed to join seven other political figures and head the advisory board for Washington and Lee's 1996 Mock Convention.

Members of the advisory board use their influence and write letters to invite political figures to come speak throughout the Mock Con year and for the actual event.

When Kemp came to W&L last Spring Term for the Kickoff, Mock Con chairs spoke with him at length after his speech.

"He was really informative and said he would help us out in

any way he could," said Bob Ross, Mock Con political chair. "So we asked him to be our advisor."

Kemp agreed. He wrote to Speaker

"I think we've got a pretty good shot with Newt Gingrich," said David

The chairs also include George Bush on their list of hopeful speakers.

In addition to writing letters to potential speakers, advisors are available for advice or questions that Mock Con chairs may have.

Kemp joins an advisory board including William F. Buckley, Jr., Stephen I. Danzansky '61, Bob W. Goodlatte '77L, Richard D. Haynes '58L, Robert A. Mosbacher '47, '49L, V. Lance Tarrance, Jr. '63 and John S. Warner '49.

*Very sincerely yours,
this is a truly great event & you'll love it!
JK*

of the House Newt Gingrich in July, asking for his participation in Mock Con.

Stewart, Mock Con General Chairman. "He and Kemp are really good friends."

Rush begins, shortened pledgship follows

By Michael Hewlett
Phi Associate Editor

There are only a few changes for freshmen in this year's Fall Rush, said Interfraternity Council president Ryan Connolly.

Rush officially begins tonight. Tear night will occur on September 23, with pledgship starting the next day. This year it will end before Christmas vacation, and freshman males will initiate in January. Last year official pledgship began in January.

Last year, the faculty approved the shortened pledge schedule as well as a Winter Rush plan, to begin January 1997.

Winter Rush came about when Professor of Physics Thomas Williams gave a proposal to the faculty last year that was based on a two-year study by the University

of the South. The study surveyed 17 schools in which 12 had Winter Rush with no problems. He also cited the Coeducation Review Committee Final Report. Both documents concluded that Winter Rush would benefit students.

Many faculty members support Winter Rush because they believe it will remove some of the pressure freshman males feel and allow them to focus on their academics.

IFC and fraternity members opposed Winter Rush from the beginning. They argued that Winter Rush would hurt membership and finance. Smaller houses might find difficulty competing with larger houses and might lose their charter if they fail to reach new members quota, the IFC contended.

Winter Rush also revived the issue of student autonomy. Some students believed that Winter Rush was an attempt by the

administration and the faculty to wrestle authority away from student organizations.

Connolly estimated that 90-95 percent of freshmen males will rush this fall. Specific numbers were not available at press time.



Photo by Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

Men participate in Rush 1994

SAC approves new alcohol policy

By Emily Baker
Phi Executive Editor

After years of studying alcohol use among Washington and Lee students, study groups both inside and outside the W&L community have come to this conclusion: We drink a lot more than other schools.

As a result of these findings, the Student Affairs Committee approved a new University Policy on Alcohol and a new University Policy on Drugs. The faculty will likely vote on the policies in October.

The two policies are separate, just as they are under laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dean of Students David Howison said the new policies emphasize the obligation W&L students have to obey Virginia laws.

"The Washington and Lee campus is not a sanctuary and University authorities will cooperate fully with law enforcement agencies in support of drug laws," the drug policy reads.

The policy changes are based on research done over the past five years by groups including the Dean of Students staff, the Coeducation Review Committee, the Student Health Committee, and a consulting team from the North Carolina Governor's Institute on Alcohol and Substance Abuse.

The SAC based their conclusions on both student discussions and records of alcohol-related statistics over the past five years. For instance, a national average of 59 percent of students attending highly selective colleges say they drank alcoholic beverages before

coming to college. A survey of W&L's class of 1998 revealed that 77 percent of students drank before coming to W&L.

"This means our students have already started drinking before they even get here," Howison said.

The number of alcohol-related student arrests has risen since a 1991 low of 85 incidents. In 1992-93, the number increased to 121, primarily because of an increase in arrests for drinking in public. In 1993-94, the total grew to 139, and in the 94-95 school year, the total

was 145, partially due to an increase in noise violations. All 12 cases handled by the Student Conduct Committee during the 1994-95 school year involved alcohol, according to the Student Judicial Report. Most sexual assault and harassment cases also involve alcohol.

But more than policies are needed to lessen the impact of drugs and alcohol on the student body, Howison said. Student leaders must "assume a major role in any effort to address the problem of alcohol abuse among students at Washington and Lee," he said.

The policy also emphasizes that students are adults responsible for conforming their behavior to the law.

In recent years, the health education program has included drug and alcohol education in its programming, through classes, seminars and speakers.

In addition to education, students now have a wider variety of social events to choose from. After the 1994 hiring of Student Activities Coordinator Michelle Richardson, students could attend coffee houses, poetry readings, dinner theaters and debates.

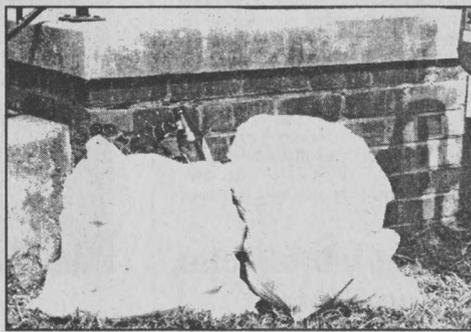


Photo by Betsy Green, Phi Photo Editor

Woods Creek gets face lift

By Anne Alvord
Phi News Editor

Lime green counters. Harvest yellow appliances. Moss green tiles. Such was the color scheme in the Woods Creek Apartments until this summer, when the first phase of a two phase project to renovate the Woods Creek Apartments was completed.

In this first phase, all of the apartments in the West Building of Woods Creek were entirely renovated. In the second phase,

slated to be completed next summer, the apartments in the Central and East buildings will undergo the same renovations.

The color scheme was changed to lighten and brighten the apartments, with all of the interior being repainted. The window treatments and blinds were also replaced. The kitchens were fitted with new cabinets and appliances, and a new dining area created. The apartments have new furniture throughout, along with new carpeting and tile. Also, the hallways were repainted

and floored. The cost upon completion will be around one million dollars.

The project was the first renovation of Woods Creek in its 20 year history, and it was "time to do a significant and complete upgrade," according to Dean of Freshmen and Residence Life Dennis Manning. The work was completed by Buildings and Grounds in conjunction with Harris Office Furniture of Roanoke. The University, Manning says, is continuing to look for ways to improve student living.

Keck Foundation grants \$250,000 to Science Center

By Anne Alvord
Phi News Editor

The W.M. Keck Foundation has awarded Washington and Lee University a grant of \$250,000 toward the construction of a geology laboratory in the university's new Science Center.

The Science Center project, currently under construction, is designed to enhance the quality of

teaching and research by facilitating collaboration among faculty in the sciences and by increasing and improving classroom, laboratory, and library space.

"We are very grateful to the Keck Foundation for its generosity to Washington and Lee University," said W&L President John W. Elrod. "This grant for a geology laboratory contributes significantly in funding the geology department's relocation in the new Science Center. We are proud indeed to have



File Photo

the name of the Keck Foundation linked to this great step forward in the sciences at Washington and Lee."

The Los Angeles-based foundation was established in 1954 by the late William Myron Keck, founder of the Superior Oil Company. The foundation has grown considerably under the leadership of his son, Howard B. Keck, its current chairman, and is now one of the nation's largest private grant-making foundations.

Washington and Lee also participates in the foundation's 12-college Geology Consortium. Over 70 students and faculty form the consortium's member colleges conduct summer fieldwork, winter academic workshops, and an annual symposium at which undergraduates present research papers of professional caliber.

"Collaboration in research and teaching with the other colleges in the Keck Geology Consortium has greatly strengthened our program in geology and has provided extraordinary opportunities for our students and faculty," said Edgar W. Spencer, professor of geology and department head. "We are deeply indebted to the Keck Foundation for its support of the consortium and for their gift for new science facilities."

Student Judicial Report

	1994-5	1993-4	1992-3
Executive Committee			
Investigations	18	15	20
Withdrawals Prior to Hearing	3	n/a	n/a
Closed Hearings	9	10	10
Guilty Verdicts	4	2	7
Open Trials	1	1	1
Student Conduct Committee			
Cases Reviewed	12	18	20
Student Faculty Hearing Board			
Complaints of Sexual Misconduct	9	2	2
Referrals to SFHB	3	n/a	n/a
Students found guilty of Sexual Misconduct	2	n/a	n/a
Arrests	145	139	121

BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

Ripken breaks record

Baltimore — Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripkin played his 2,131st consecutive game, breaking Lou Gehrig's 56-year old record. At Camden Yards on Wednesday night, Ripkin led the Orioles to a victory over the California Angels. One million dollars of the proceeds from ticket sales will go to Johns Hopkins University to fund a study on amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

Ethics committee recommends Packwood's expulsion

Washington, D.C. — After a two and a half year investigation, the Senate Ethics Committee voted on Wednesday to recommend that Senator Bob Packwood (R-Ore.) be expelled for sexual and official misconduct. Packwood, who had recently requested public hearings, stated that he does not plan to resign to avoid expulsion. If the Senate fails to produce a two thirds vote for expulsion, the committee members stated it would present another recommendation for the censure of Packwood and loss of his Finance Committee chairmanship.

NATO, UN continue bombing

Bosnia — NATO warplanes continued to bomb targets in Central Bosnia this week. However, Bosnian Serbs have shown no sign of lifting their siege of Sarajevo. On Wednesday, NATO ambassadors met in Brussels to discuss Operation Deliberate Force. The multi-nation alliance remains unified and plans to continue attacks.

Fuhrman pleads the Fifth

Los Angeles — On Wednesday, Detective Mark Fuhrman asked for his Fifth Amendment protection against self-incrimination. Fuhrman would not answer four of the defense's questions pertaining to whether or not he planted evidence against O.J. Simpson. Before Fuhrman took the stand on Wednesday, the defense renewed its motion to suppress crucial evidence collected by detectives after the June 12, 1994 murders of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Beyond the Blue Ridge is compiled by
Bethany Bauman

GOP Watch

Editor's Note: GOP Watch is a special weekly feature to keep Washington and Lee's students informed about the Republican Presidential Campaign in advance of Mock Convention.

Gunderson accuses Dole of discrimination in campaign

Rep. Steve Gunderson (R-Wis.), Congress' only openly gay Republican, has criticized Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kan) for returning a \$1,000 contribution from the Log Cabin Republicans, the national gay Republican group. Gunderson endorsed Dole in 1988 and was one of the earliest supporters to his current presidential campaign. Gunderson sent Dole a letter Sept. 6 asking whether Dole's move meant that he was rejecting the support of anyone who is gay. "If this is so," asked Gunderson, "do you intend to now reject my support and request those on your staff who happen to be gay to resign?" The contribution was returned two weeks ago with the statement that the gay group's agenda was "100 percent at odds" with Dole's. Campaign spokesman Nelson Warfield said that Dole will respond personally to Gunderson and that returning the contribution "was not about discrimination." Rich Tafel, Executive Director of the Log Cabin Republicans, said the donation had been solicited by the Dole campaign.

Dole to make English official language of United States

GOP front-runner Bob Dole's Labor Day speech to the American Legion Convention in Indianapolis included an endorsement of English as the official language of the United States. Dole said, "If we are to return this country to greatness, we must do more than restore America's defenses... We must return as a people to the original concept of what it means to be an American." Under Dole's proposals, most bilingual education programs would be eliminated and English would be made the national language. He has yet to endorse any of the bills before Congress. Sen. Dick Lugar (R-Ind), Gov. Pete Wilson (R-Calif) and Pat Buchanan's campaigns all restated their support for English as the official language. Buchanan said, "Dole is really violating the copyright laws. I came out for this in 1992, and I said then that all federal funding for bilingual education should be ended."

New Hampshire paper endorses Buchanan

The Manchester Union Leader, New Hampshire's only daily newspaper, has endorsed Pat Buchanan for the Republican nomination. The Union Leader said of Buchanan, "Our country is in need of a leader whom we can trust, who has moral integrity, who would put America first and who is capable of sending Bill Clinton back to Arkansas. In our opinion, Pat Buchanan fills all those requirements." The historically conservative paper also stated that, "Of all the viable candidates, he is the only one who has not shifted his positions to curry favor with the mood of the moment. Yes, Pat Buchanan can win." Buchanan, campaigning in South Carolina, said he was surprised and pleased by the early endorsement. "It's a tremendous boost for our campaign and it means that, I think, it's a Bob Dole-Pat Buchanan race in New Hampshire." Buchanan was endorsed by the Union Leader in 1992, which endorsed Pete DuPont in 1988 and Ronald Reagan in both 1984 and 1980.

GOP Watch is compiled by Alex Christensen

C-School now named for benefactor Williams

By EMILY BAKER
Phi Executive Editor

The School of Commerce, Politics, and Economics at Washington and Lee has been named for one of the university's most generous benefactors, 1938 graduate Ernest Williams II.

In addition to voting unanimously to name the school for Williams, which will henceforth be known as the Ernest Williams II School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics, the university's Board of Trustees established a \$1 million endowment to strengthen the Williams School in the areas of faculty development, research, and emerging technology.

"The Board's action in naming the school for Ernie Williams is an appropriate testimonial to this devoted alumnus and his commitment to Washington and Lee," said former President John D. Wilson. "Ernie has given so much of himself to his University, not only through his gifts, but through his time, talent, and energy."

During the course of the Campaign for W&L, Williams, his wife, Marjorie, and their family made gifts to the University that are unprecedented in size and scope. The couple's gifts to Washington and Lee have created the Ernest Williams II Professorship (currently held by professor of art history Pamela Simpson), the Marjorie O. Williams Endowment for Library Acquisitions, and the Marjorie O. and Ernest Williams II Honor Scholarship Endowment.

Williams entered W&L as a journalism major from Lynchburg. He worked as a reporter briefly after graduating before moving on to a career in business. After working in the insurance trade and serving in the Navy in World War II, he embarked on a career in sales and investments.

Following his retirement from the investment business, he and his wife opened an antique shop in Hilton Head, S.C. The couple gave up shop in 1981 and later moved to Florida, where they currently reside.

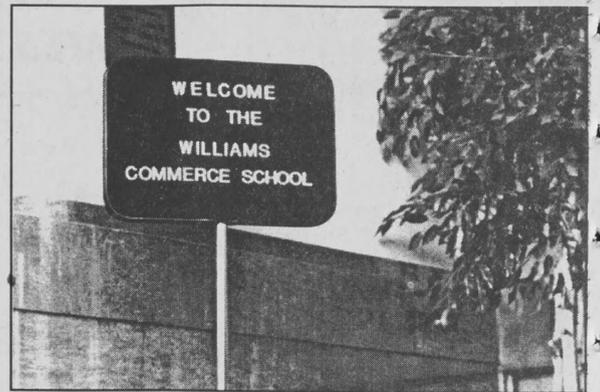


Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

A friendly sign bids welcome in the Williams School.

"It is fitting that the trustees have chosen to recognize the devoted service and magnanimous generosity of Ernie Williams by naming the school in his honor," said C-school dean Larry Peppers. "With the creation of the Williams Endowment, the school will receive a major assist in keeping pace with newly developing knowledge in the explosion of information technology and the continuously changing international forces that are reshaping economies, governmental institutions, and commercial markets around the world."

Student pub to open on Friday nights

By DAN ODENWALD
Phi Executive Editor

Looking for a cool spot to hang out, drink a few beers, and enjoy live entertainment? Better try the Palms, Spanky's or fraternity parties, right? Wrong. Now there's another option — the GHQ.

At the request of the Alcohol Review Committee (ARC), the General's Headquarters will be open on Friday and Saturday nights to the Washington and Lee community. Live entertainment, food and alcohol will be on the menu to add diversity to the Lexington social scene.

"We wanted a place where students, faculty, and staff could come together and take a break," said Dean of Students David Howison.

Formed last year in response to growing concerns about alcohol misuse on campus, ARC developed a plan to combat alcohol abuse on campus and generated ideas for alternative social activities. The GHQ Pub, one of ARC's suggestions, is the first to be adopted by the University.

Student Activities Coordinator Michelle Richardson received ARC's idea enthusiastically and filled the Pub's September social calendar with such W&L favorites as Roger Day, Settie, and the duo of Brian Boland and Tommy Esposito. Richardson said informal student polls indicated there was a strong demand for a GHQ Pub.

"This is what the students wanted, and this is what

we're going to do," said Richardson.

Yet to be officially named, the GHQ Pub was designed to accommodate students who desired to participate in non-traditional social activities in addition to drinking. Last year's popular coffee houses and poetry readings were a huge hit with students. The addition of alcohol should attract even more students.

Richardson said the idea behind the Pub was not to compete with the fraternities for party-goers, but to exist in conjunction with them.

Students often make GHQ events kick-offs to their Friday and Saturday nights for they head out to fraternity parties afterwards, Richardson said. The Pub will coexist with the Greek scene.

Contrary to rumor, ARC's original guideline for the Pub that patrons only be allowed one drink an hour, totaling four drinks for the evening, was rejected.

According to Richardson, the Pub will follow any typical bar's rules. Non-student managers will monitor the serving and consumption of drinks and patrons will not be limited to four drinks.

"If people are getting out of hand, then they will have to leave just like any bar," explained Richardson.

While ARC's express purpose is to help curb the excessive nature of alcohol abuse at W&L, Chairman Karlene Jennings '96 said she had no qualms with the administration's lifting of the cap.

"(The drink cap) was just a guideline. It was only one tiny part of a larger picture," Jennings said. The Pub's grand opening is scheduled for tonight,

and Richardson has planned quite a debut. Roger Day, a W&L alum, will perform his acoustic show. Tonight will also see the "Name that Pub Contest." Fill out an entry coupon and receive a free slice of pizza. (See advertising section of this issue.) The Pub opens at 9 p.m. Cheers.

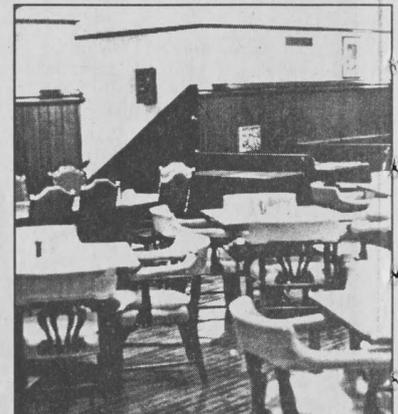


Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

The GHQ will now be serving alcohol on Friday nights.

W&L Dance offers dance classes by experienced performers

By ROBIN D. SEATON
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee has a new opportunity for people who love to dance. Jazz, modern, ballet, and stretch classes will begin soon, led by both professional and student instructors. Beginning classes in W&L Dance are available for those with little or no experience, while advanced courses will allow dancers to continue their training.

Colette Barre-Rec will teach modern dance classes. She also instructs W&L's modern dance physical education courses. In addition, Missy Smithgall will offer ballet classes. These sessions will require a small fee.

Washington and Lee students will lead several classes. Jazz and funk teachers will be sophomores Mimi Duet and Cheryl Puzon. Trained in jazz, tap, ballet, modern, and funk, Duet danced in the pregame shows for Super Bowls XXV and XXVII. She both performed

and taught with American All-Stars, Inc.

Puzon has gymnastics, jazz, funk, and dance team training. She choreographed for her high school dance team and was chosen to perform in the Alamo Bowl halftime performance.

In addition, sophomores Marium Holland and Robin Seaton will lead ballet and stretch courses. Holland has studied classical ballet for twelve years and performed as a soloist with the Charleston Ballet. She attended Point Park College's International Summer Dance Program, and last year Holland taught and danced with the Rockbridge Ballet.

Seaton studied for fourteen years with the Creative Arts Guild. As a member of Dalton Ballet Theatre, she taught and choreographed both ballet and jazz for apprentice companies and performed as a soloist. She also studied with instructors from Ballet Tennessee, Jazz Dance Theater South, and the Atlanta Ballet.

Classes will be held in the basement of Lenfest Center, with times to be announced soon. Instructors are aiming tentatively for a spring performance as well. Interested students should contact Cheryl Puzon at 462-4224 or Marium Holland at 462-4193.



Photo courtesy of Marium Holland

Marium Holland dances as "Winter" in a 1994 Charleston Ballet performance.

W&L wins CASE award for development

From Phi staff reports

Washington and Lee University's office of development has won a 1995 Circle of Excellence in Educational Fund-raising award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). A certificate recognition was awarded during CASE's Annual Assembly in New York City on July eleventh.

Earning a citation for overall fund-raising performance, the university was one of 57 higher education institutions and 41 independent schools to win that award or one for improvement. Judges based their decisions on their analysis of data submitted to the Council for Aid to Education (CAE) through its annual "Voluntary Support of Education" survey, sponsored by CASE and the National Association of Independent Schools. They looked for evidence of solid program growth, breadth in base of support, and other evidence of a well-maintained, mature program.

"This year's winners represent a broad spectrum of educational institutions and serve as models of outstanding fund-raising practice," said CASE President Peter McE. Buchanan. "Their success is an enormous benefit to their staffs, volunteers, and donors."

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education is an international association of colleges, universities, and independent elementary and secondary schools. Representing these institutions are professionals in the fields of alumni relations, communications, and philanthropy.

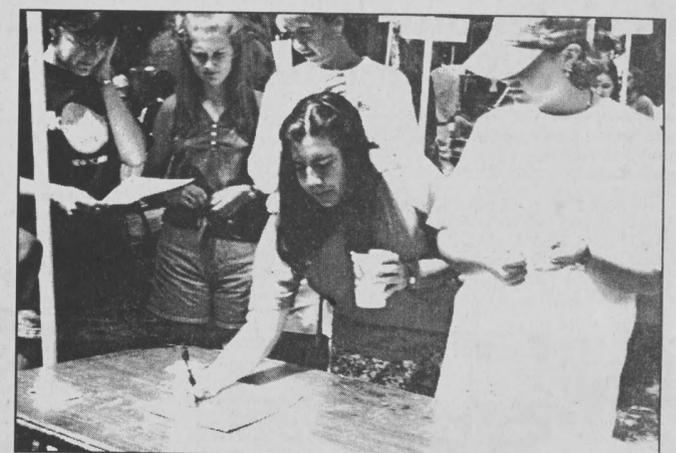


Photo by Betsy Green, The Ring-tum Phi

Signing their lives away...

Freshmen at Wednesday's Activity Fair investigate the many clubs which highlight the diverse talents and interests present in the W&L community.

Rocking students through another year

By CINDIE YOUNG
Phi Features Editor

After a three month pause, the air about campus will soon hum once again with the sounds of W&L's own radio station, WLUR.

From its studios in Reid Hall, the radio station offers a wide variety of programming, with a schedule including rock, country, jazz, rap and dance, classical and inspirational slots. WLUR's programming also features daily news programs, drawn together by journalism students from both Associated Press and local news reports.

U.S. Mail crates, containing hundreds of new releases from bands of local, national and even international

prominence, now line the walls of WLUR's office. They are ready to be sorted through by the corresponding station managers.

These, in addition to the thousands of albums the station has already accumulated, ensure a never-ending variety in WLUR's programming for the upcoming year.

Sophomore Sarah Swisher, the station's Rock Director, is particularly excited about the many new artists soon to be featured on this year's playlist.

"In addition to great new albums from established alternative artists such as Hole, The [Mighty Mighty] Bosstones, Soul Asylum, and upcoming releases from Frente! and the Gin Blossoms among others, we've dis-

covered a lot of new bands that will receive heavy airplay in the next few weeks."

Soon to be featured during WLUR's Breakthrough show, a daily time slot for the newest of new music, are bands such as Liquorice, Shampoo, Blink, Garbage, That Dog, The Stiffs, Inc., the Verve, Ash, and My Life With The Thrill Kill Kult, Swisher promises.

While rock officially receives more airtime (and more music) than any other department, an exciting format can be boasted

by each of the other departments as well, and additional U.S. Mail crates offer testimony that new music will be featured in every department.

Operated in association with the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, WLUR 91.5 is open to all students, and airtime is available to all, even those with little or no experience.

Any interested students are encouraged by WLUR staff to attend the organizational meeting this Wednesday at 7 p.m., in Reid Hall. Posters will be posted across campus with further details.

With its wide variety of programming throughout the day, 91.5 promises to be a popular resting point for the tuner on every radio, whether of student or professor.



Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. *The Alienist*, Caleb Carr
2. *The Hot Zone*, Richard Preston
3. *Debt of Honor*, Tim Clancy
4. *The Stone Diaries*, Carol Shields
5. *A 2nd Helping of Chicken Soup for the Soul*, Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen
6. *Apollo 13*, Jim Lovell
7. *The Chamber*, John Grisham
8. *Seven Habits for Highly Effective People*, Steven R. Covey
9. *Circle of Friends*, Maeve Binchy
10. *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen

New & Recommended

- Who Will Run the Frog Hospital?*, Lorrie Moore
Shelter, Jayne Anne Phillips
A Marble Woman, Louisa May Alcott

Hidy combines fine art and graphic design in works on display in duPont and Leyburn

By CINDIE YOUNG
Phi Features Editor

With one poster already hanging within the walls of Washington and Lee, graphic artist Lance Hidy will this Tuesday, September 19, return to campus, this time to open duPont Gallery's 1995-96 academic year.

While Hidy's most familiar work to the W&L community may well be the poster he designed for the James Graham Leyburn Library, he has produced many other celebrated posters, computer designs, illustrative prints, and photographs, and has earned a reputation both across the United States and abroad as an artist of considerable talent.

Nearly as impressive as his artistic ability, however, is his professional training.

Hidy first studied art as a freshman at Yale in 1964, from which he graduated four years later with a background in calligraphy, letterpress printing, etching, wood cut, wood engraving, lithography, serigraphy, photography, as well as the history of printing.

Upon graduating, Hidy went on to work with several widely acclaimed artists, including Leonard Baskin, and also David Godine, with whom he founded a Boston publishing house.

His interest in design has led Hidy to create a photographic book of his own, as well as award-winning work with such masters as Ansel Adams and Arnold Newman.

Acquiring his first Macintosh in 1986, Hidy has since become a prominent figure in the field of computer art and type design, and has secured for himself a reputation as an internationally recognized artist. Hidy's own typeface for Adobe systems, Penumbra, was issued in 1994.

In the span of his career, Lance Hidy has risen to the position of an internationally celebrated artist whose work brings together the worlds of fine art and graphic design, while at the same time drawing both into the future.

His work has been collected and exhibited across the United States as well as beyond, including a retrospective at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. in 1994. The show then moved to the Maryland Institute, College of Art, where Hidy has been named visiting artist twice.

Among Hidy's plans for the future is a change of address for the artist, from his current home in Newburyport, Mas-

sachusetts, to Lexington, Virginia.

An exhibit featuring some of Hidy's many works will open in duPont Gallery on September 12, and will run through October 5.

duPont Gallery are Monday through Friday, 8 to 5 p.m. mission free. Additionalers, as examples work in the book arts, will be on display in Lower Level 2 of the Leyburn Library throughout the exhibit.

The artist himself will visit the W&L campus on Tuesday, September 19, when duPont Hall will host a lecture delivered by the artist, as well as a gallery reception. Hidy's talk is set for 5:30 p.m.; a public reception will follow.

"...Hidy may well best be known for the poster he designed for the Leyburn Library..."

Gal- hours day Fri- a.m. Ad- i- s- post- well

"Spice"-ing up life

By DARCEY LIVINGSTON
Phi Staff Writer

His official title is "Professor of Music," but his dozens of students refer to him simply as "Doc." Whatever people choose to call him, no one can deny that Dr. Gordon P. Spice is an integral part of the W&L community.

Doc arrived in Lexington after thirteen years of post-secondary education. "Many of my friends said, 'When are you going to become a productive member of society?'" remarks Spice. He did fill his schedule at W&L, conducting the Glee Club and teaching voice lessons, music appreciation, and music history.

Currently, he directs the University Chamber Singers, and teaches several music classes as well. Doc is proud of the progress made by the department of music since his arrival twenty-two years ago. "With the addition of the faculty since I've come on board, the department has grown, and we've become a real, extremely viable part of the W&L community," says Spice.

Not only does he take pride in W&L's growing music department, but also in his family. Doc says the greatest achievement of his life is that he and his wife raised their sons to be the terrific young people

they are today. "One of the good things about being at Washington and Lee is that I totally subscribe in my own personal life to the concept of honor and honesty," says Spice. "and I really worked hard to try to instill that in our children. I think I've succeeded pretty well!"

Two of the most important things in Doc's life—family and music—consistently intertwine. He met his wife when they were both members of the University of Toledo choir; his sons are both music majors.

In his spare time, Doc likes to get down 'n dirty by laboring on his house. "In the summertime, I like to do something physical like that, that really doesn't involve a whole lot of mental activity," explains Spice, "and it's a wonderful, wonderful release."

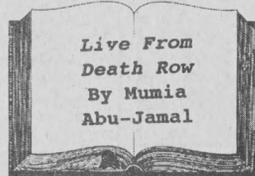
Doc loves to travel. He especially enjoys the week he spends in the back-country of Canada each year. "We have a cottage in northern Ontario that my grandfather built in 1916, and it's been in our family for a long time," says Spice. "It's a very remote part of the world. There's no electricity, no running water, no so-called 'improvements.' It's a great place to get away from it all."

Everyone has a vice, and Doc's just happens to be that he likes to eat—especially hot fudge sundaes. "I've really had to watch it in recent years, and I hate it!" exclaims Spice. "I miss being able to indulge myself." Good luck kickin' the habit, Doc!



Nickname: Gus, after the mouse in *Cinderella*.
Birthplace: Flin Flon, Manitoba, Canada. ("It sounds like a joke, but that's really the name of the town!")
Family: Wife, Ann; two sons, Reed and Graham.
Favorite Movie: *David and Lisa*, a '60s film about two emotionally disturbed young people who meet in a home for emotionally disturbed people, and fall in love.

Inmate writes to fight death row racism against African Americans



By MICHAEL HEWLETT
Phi Associate Editor

"You will find a blacker world on death row than anywhere else. African-Americans, a mere 11 percent of the national population, compose about 40 percent of the death row population. There, too, you will find this writer."

This writer, Mumia Abu-Jamal, a death row inmate, gained international attention this summer when a movement to prevent his execution began. *Live From Death Row* offers Abu-Jamal's thoughts about racism and political bias in the American judicial system and in society as a whole. He was convicted of the murder of police officer Daniel Faulkner, but many contend that his trial reeked of unfairness. He was scheduled to die by lethal injection on August 17, but was granted a stay of execution to make way for a new trial.

This former radio journalist and current Pennsylvania death row inmate has become an international symbol of the injustice he finds inherent in America's criminal justice system. Celebrities and intellectuals such as Alice Walker, Ed Asner and Whoopi Goldberg have rallied to his cause. Abu-Jamal's case has been taken up by Amnesty International and a host of other countries and he has been declared a political prisoner.

The former Black Panther and a supporter of the Move organization in Philadelphia has compiled his thoughts together in a powerful book entitled *Live From Death Row*.

From the beginning of the book, Mumia lets the reader recognize his confined humanity.

"Don't tell me about the valley of the shadow of death. I live there. In south-central Pennsylvania's Huntingdon County, a one-hundred-year-old prison stands, its Gothic towers projecting an air of foreboding, evoking a gloomy mood of the Dark Ages. I and some seventy-eight other men spend about twenty-two hours a day in six-by-ten-foot cells. The additional two hours may be spent outdoors, in a chain-link-fenced box, ringed by concertina razor wire, under the gaze of gun turrets.

"Welcome to Pennsylvania's death row."
This is the reality into which Mumia Abu-Jamal welcomes his reader. He tells of his daily existence. Mumia describes the abuses he and other prisoners experience. Images of beatings by prison guards and flame-inspired suicide attempts by disillusioned prisoners abound in this book. He lists Supreme Court cases involving death row, indicating the inequities in the prison system.

With clarity and bluntness, Abu-Jamal criticizes the injustices of the criminal justice system and of society as a whole. He lives up to his reputation as "the voice of the voiceless."

The essays go from the legal to the personal, from happiness to deep pain and sorrow as this caged man speaks his mind.

Certainly, some readers may have trouble sympathizing with a convicted murderer on death row, but Mumia presents a truth and a reality often hidden in the flurry of emotional debate about crime, race and inequality. Whether or not you think he is guilty or innocent, Mumia has a voice that must be heard. In the end, this man on death row writes eloquently and provocatively enough to leave the reader with some deep things to think about after closing the book.

Read something interesting lately? Feel like writing about it? Please call the Ring-tum Phi office at 462-4059!

By Day His Acoustic Guitar Soothes, and by Night It Jams

By COURTNEY MILLER
Phi Features Editor

Roger Day is one of those performers whose slow ballads tug at the heart, and whose upbeat melodies bring out smiles on rainy days. His 1993 release *Rich Man, Poor Man, Beggar Man, Thief* is an acoustic treat.

The 13 songs were all written, produced and arranged by Day. The themes of his songs tend to lapse into the familiar and overdone, but his melodies save many of the pieces.

Track One, "Looking for a Reason to Believe in Love," is jazzy enough to pass for an Indigo Girls tune, and still perfect enough to sing along to at 55 mph. The title of his album is taken from its last verse.

His alternative-folk tunes helped Day and former partner Eric Heinsohn release two albums and open for the then unsigned Indigo Girls. The duet split in 1988, and Day has continued to gain a following as a solo artist throughout many college campuses.

Rich Man, Poor Man, Beggar Man, Thief was recently named in the top 12 independent releases by *The Performing Songwriter Magazine*.

Track Four, "Jenny," is reminiscent of many James Taylor ballads. The love song is beautifully written, and Day's deep tenor voice cuts through

and touches the heart.

He tends to lapse into country twang in such songs as "Honeysuckle Moon." The more upbeat melodies seem a little worn out and don't quite fit with his ballads.

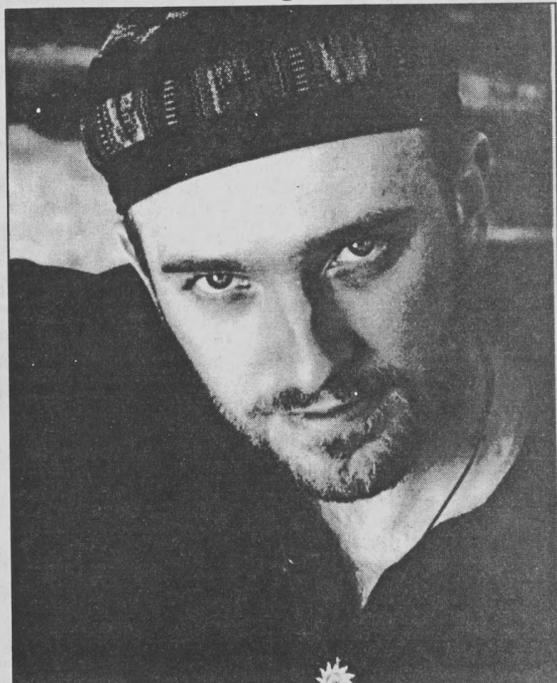
Day is a 1985 graduate of Washington and Lee, having graduated with honors in German. He returns to his alma mater tonight. He is touring in support of his most recent release, *One Equal Road*.

He describes his music as "sounding somewhere to the right of the Indigo Girls and to the left of James Taylor with a healthy dose of R.E.M. thrown in for good measure."

His performances include music from his two albums as well as more popular songs from such artists as Counting Crows and R.E.M.

Day is originally from Birmingham, Alabama and now resides in Nashville, Tennessee. Day is married and has two children for whom he often writes rhymes and sings songs.

Rich man, Poor Man, Beggar Man, Thief is a terrific album. Day's tendency to lapse into early folk-like rock and add bits of country twang tend to detract from the otherwise beautiful music. Friday's free concert at GHQ should be quite a pleasing acoustical performance, and could be Day's road to stardom and maybe MTV. We all remember Hootie don't we?)

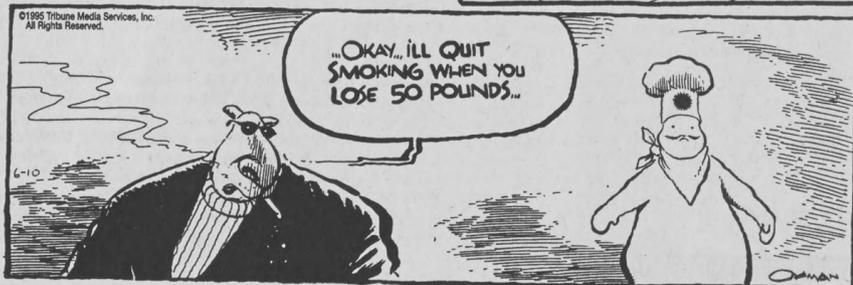
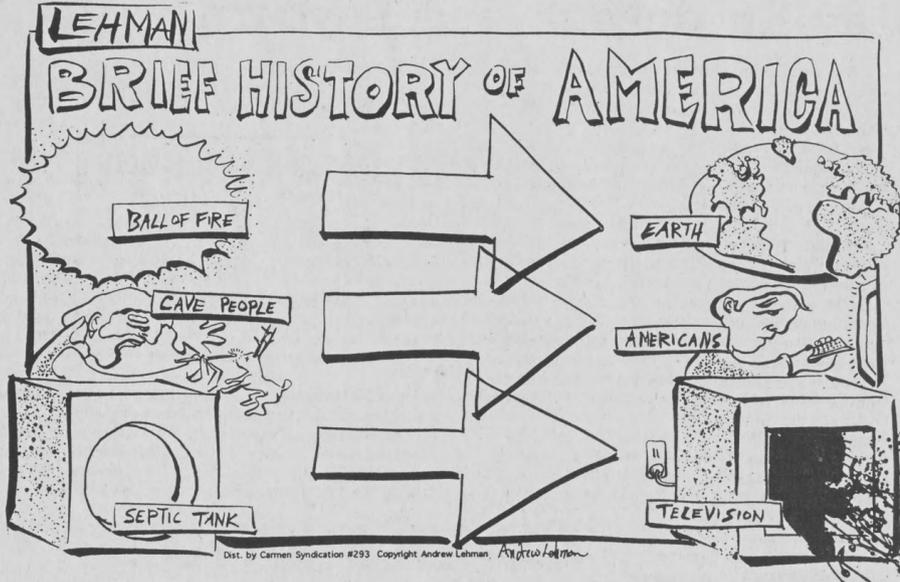
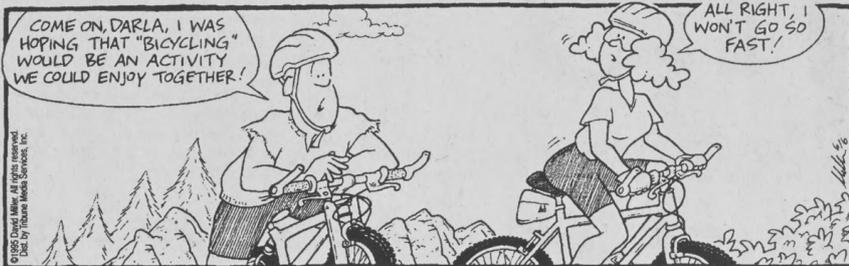


Publicity Photo

W&L alum Richard Day performs tonight at the GHQ.



DAVE
by David Miller



Harris Teeter MEANS LOW PRICES!



Regular Or Junior
Chiquita Bananas
39¢
lb.

Harris Teeter Large Grade A Eggs **69¢** doz.
Harris Teeter Homestyle Waffles **99¢** 11 oz.



Harris Teeter Orange Juice
69¢
Frozen Concentrate 12 oz.

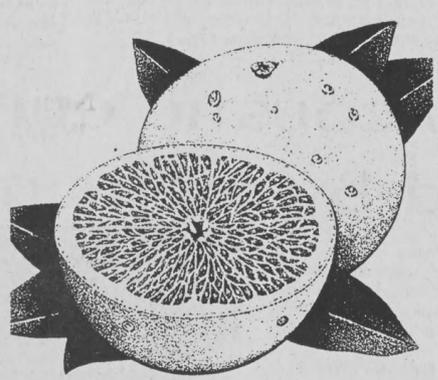
Highland Crest Ice Cream **2.99** 5 qt.
Hunter Farms Truly Chocolate Milk **1.59** 1/2 gal.



Harris Teeter Apple Juice
99¢
64 oz.

Stock Up And Save

Soft Drink Feature



5 Lb. Bag Red Grapefruit
1.99



24 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
Pepsi Or Diet Pepsi
5.49
2 Liter **1.09**

Folgers Special Roast Coffee **1.99** 11.5 oz.
Nabisco Snackwell's Breakfast Bars **1.99** 7-8 oz.

Prices Effective Through Sept. 12, 1995
Prices In This Ad Effective Wednesday, September 6 Through September 12, 1995 In Our Lexington store
Only We Reserve The Right To Limit Quantities. None Sold To Dealers. We Gladly Accept Federal Food Stamps.

Valley **True Value** HARDWARE STORES[®]
Hardware, Paint, and Related Items
Open Mon. - Sat. 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sun. 1 - 5 p.m.
E. Nelson St., Lexington 463-2186

Ring-tum Phi
SPRING BREAK '96 - SELL TRIPS, EARN CASH & GO FREE!!! Student Travel Services is now hiring campus representatives. Lowest rates to Jamaica, Cancun, Daytona and Panama City Beach. Call 1-800-648-4849

Semper Phi

15 W. WASHINGTON ST.
UNIVERSITY SPORTWEAR LEXINGTON

The Ring-tum Phi

The Student Voice of Washington and Lee
Founded September 18, 1897

Change comes from within

So there's another university policy on alcohol. Seems that every time you look, there's another statement or study or group of doctors saying that W&L students drink too much.

Maybe it's time we listen. Yes, students at every college drink, and sometimes drink excessively. But in drinking, as with everything else about W&L, we're not like other schools. Studies have shown that we use and abuse alcohol more than other schools do. The administration has updated policies to reflect its concern about this.

But why should we curb our drinking? It's just for fun, to escape the pressures of the school week. It's harmless.

And it is, if all that ever happens is that you drink and laugh and dance and go home. But most of the bad things that happen on this campus occur when people have been drinking. Think of all the injuries, the fights, the property damage, the sexual assaults that have led to everything from broken legs to broken lives. Then think how many of these involved alcohol.

Yes, drinking can be fun. It can make you laugh more easily, dance more seductively, and flirt like you never thought you had the guts to. It's a great time, until you wake up with a stranger in your bed, or in jail, or realize there's another on your list of old hookups you can't bear to look in the eye when you pass them on the Hill. These are the kind of things the administration hopes to curb, but they know that policy alone will not change it.

The change must come from us. School officials can write policies until their pens run dry, but alcohol abuse will not stop until students realize it's a problem. Until we get tired of waking up and wondering what we did the night before. Until drunken hookups become more trouble than fun. Until we realize just how close we can come to hurting ourselves or someone else.

No one's preaching prohibition. That would be unrealistic and extreme. But we need to realize that being out of control isn't fun; it's unnecessary and dangerous.

God and radio at W&L

We here at *The Ring-tum Phi* believe in divine intervention. Every so often God opens the doors of heaven, steps down through the clouds, and walks among man on earth.

If you've listened to the radio recently, you can hear his handiwork. It's called 104.7 FM and it comes out of Richmond. Whatever you call it (progressive, grunge, alternative, college rock, buzz music), it rocks. Imagine two years ago turning on the radio in Lexington and hearing the likes of Belly, Silver Chair, Bush, Elastica, Sponge, Better Than Ezra, Tori Amos, and Pearl Jam. The thought, not to mention the possibility, was sheer madness. Let's face it, no one comes to Washington and Lee for the radio market. So, we masses starved; we subsisted on K92 FM in Roanoke; we agonized with WREL.

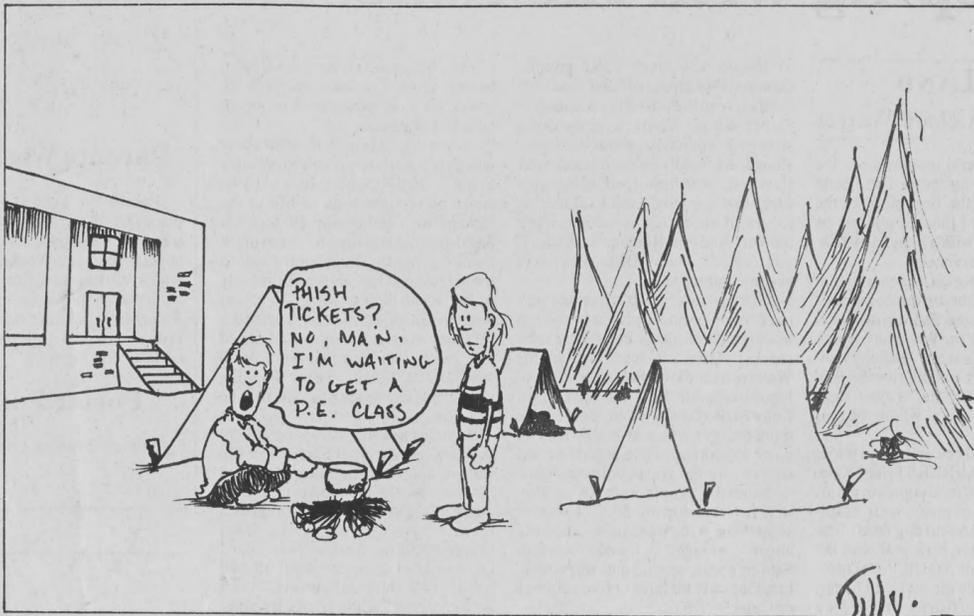
God saw the injustice, the misery, the hell on earth (well, in Lex anyway). And He came. He conquered the airwaves.

Virginians are fond of telling visitors that they live in God's country. Maybe not, but this is sure where He listens to radio.

Quote of the Week

"I'm surprised the upperclassmen are so eager to get to know us."

—Bewildered freshman male



Flag, language issues threaten unity



JOSHUA HESLINGA, '98

To find a nation splintering into factions, you could look at Bosnia. You could also look at America.

While very few would suggest that America will become another Bosnia, it is not alarmist to say that in recent years, Americans have lost much of our national identity. As a result, we find ourselves currently engaged in a debate over what our national identity is and should be.

One flashpoint for this debate revolves around the American flag. A few years ago, the Supreme Court declared desecration of the flag to be a protected form of speech under the First Amendment, invalidating countless state laws in the process. In early July, the House voted to overturn the Court's decision and prohibit desecration of the American flag by the overwhelming margin of 312 to 120, 22 votes more than needed for the constitutional amendment.

Opponents of the measure generally cry that proponents are seeking to restrict free speech. This is an intellectually dishonest and alarmist debating tactic. Flag desecration is expression,

not speech. There is a clear difference between the two, constitutionally and practically. While freedom of expression is a good shorthand for many constitutional rights, no nation can possibly permit absolute freedom of expression.

Years ago, former Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, when asked,

"What is America?" answered, "We are nothing more than the symbols we cherish. We live by our symbols because a civilization that does not nurture and cherish its symbols is in danger of withering away. The ultimate foundation of a free society is the binding tie of cohesive sentiment."

As Rep. David Funderburk of North Carolina eloquently declared, "That is why we honor the flag. It is the tie which binds us together. We remember that tie every time we see it draped on the coffin of a soldier or sailor who gave his life fighting to preserve our freedoms."

A flag is more than just a piece of cloth or a token of a nation. A flag

embodies the ideals and the heritage of a nation. To permit careless desecration of the flag is to tarnish those ideals and the people that fought for them. And to allow an activist judiciary to stymie the will of the people is wrong. One can only hope the Senate follows the House's action.

Congress is also likely to debate

another question of national identity in the near future—the English language. More and more, we find Americans unable to communicate with each other. Bilingualism has run rampant, and yet it shows no signs of improving English skills in those for whom English is a second language.

Pushed by Pat

Buchanan and others, chameleon Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole has recently declared that English should be made the official language of the United States. One bill to accomplish this, proposed by Wisconsin Rep. Toby Roth, would end the federal mandate for bilingual education and prohibit bilingual ballots and citizenship cer-

emonies in foreign languages.

While no official language law would prevent private citizens from speaking in another language at home or elsewhere, it does require them to deal with the government in English, a strong incentive to learn the language fluently.

An official language law does not equal oppression of immigrants or minorities as some would claim. Rather, it is about the best way to integrate these people into American society and equip them to succeed. Bilingualism too often coddles children (and adults) by allowing them to rely on their primary language rather than encouraging them to learn English. When English is spoken by over 95 percent of the population, this clearly has a negative effect on the ability of these people to succeed.

There are few ties as precious as language to a nation, and few abilities as important as the ability to communicate and be understood.

To be fluent in more than one language is admirable. But spending tax money to subsidize people's efforts to avoid learning English is counterproductive and wrong.

At a time when Americans can find less and less that brings us together as a nation, we must take a stand to actively defend our nation's symbols and language. Our heritage demands it; our future requires it.

“
...Americans have lost much of our national identity. As a result, we find ourselves currently engaged in a debate over what our national identity is and should be.”

Censorship reconsidered: Bob Dole, Time Warner, and 'gangsta rap'



NICHOLAS L. WADDY, '96

Bob Dole has become only the latest politician to criticize Hollywood for its practice of wantonly bombarding America's youth with violent images and exhortations, as well as a good deal of borderline pornography.

The "kiddie-porn" advertisements half-heartedly retracted by a major company of late are a familiar example of this filth, but even more egregious cases could be isolated without much effort.

"Gangsta rap," of course, is probably a case in point; its lyrics are often an incitement to violence and indecency.

Notably, it has been gangsta rap's disrespectful attitude toward women (particularly black women) that has raised the ire of liberals, but virtually all Americans are united in being thoroughly repulsed by the general tone of this musical form. Killing police officers, raping women, and dismembering the innocent—even in this age of iniquity—are not mainstream pastimes.

So if gangsta rap is unmitigated garbage, as most Americans would concede, then why is it on the market?

One need look no further to answer this question than to the company that is responsible for the most notorious gangsta rap record labels and artists, Time Warner. How does Time Warner defend its marketing of gangsta rap?

First, of course, by appealing to the First Amendment. This is the line of argument, not surprisingly, preferred for its simplicity by "artists" like Snoop Doggy Dogg: "The constitution says I can say what I want, so if you don't like it, tough."

(Of course, Mr. Dogg would probably advance his position more colorfully, but this is a family newspaper.)

Another line of argument, one beloved in Hollywood, is that even artistic degeneracy can be "so-

cially uplifting" in its power to shock its audience into a new appreciation of "reality."

Madonna, for example, in praise of the new movie *Kids* (again, kiddie-porn for the educated), has said that it effectively communicates "the truth" about adolescent sexuality, even if the truth does hurt.

One final argument raised in defense of gangsta rap and related artistic forms is that they represent an outlet for the expression of black rage, by definition justified.

There is at least superficial merit in each of the arguments mentioned above.

Of course, the First Amendment does afford substantial protections to even the most unpopular forms of speech, but it should be noted that these protections are limited, especially in the commercial sphere.

As far as the argument about art's ability to shock people into new ways of thinking goes, no doubt this does often take place.

But it is a curious feature of our modern society that we often believe that talking openly about a problem necessarily contributes to resolving it.

Our abundance of talk shows and psychologists, and our coincident overabundance of social problems and pathologies, should be enough to show that laying bare an issue in a tactless and direct way is not always a beneficial practice.

In short, there can be no guarantee that bombarding young people with images of murder, rape, and theft will in anyway contribute to the abolition or diminution of any of these practices (indeed, irrational and crude presentations of deviant behavior can have a decidedly negative impact).

Lastly, the idea that the black man has an intrinsic

right to vent his frustrations in an artistic form is certainly correct. But there are right and wrong ways of doing so.

He can express his indignation and anger in such a manner as to seek a constructive resolution to the issues that concern him, or he can fan the flames of wild hostility in such a manner as to incite both himself and others to violent and antisocial actions. It bears repeating that the latter course, in addition to being imprudent and immoral, is also illegal.

In conclusion, we can only say that the time to revisit our national and local policies with respect to censorship unquestionably has arrived.

Bob Dole's recommendation to Time Warner to exercise "good citizenship" is to no avail; there will always be money to be made in the marketing of offensive materials, so it follows that there will always be those willing to profit by marketing them.

Always, at least, until our society takes a firmer stand.

Our nation, in fact, has a long history of regulating and controlling indecent and inciteful forms of speech. Reasonable men have long held that such controls are not inconsistent with the protections afforded by our Bill of Rights.

Rappers might suggest that censorship would endanger our status as a free society.

But they forget that a free society is not only free; it is also social. That is, a free society is still a community that, by definition, operates within the parameters of a certain set of shared values and standards.

Unless we find the courage to defend those standards anew, I fear we are in store for even more troubled times ahead.

“
In short, there can be no guarantee that bombarding young people with images of murder, rape, and theft will in any way contribute to the abolition or diminution of any of these practices (indeed, irrational and crude presentations of deviant behavior can have a decidedly negative impact).”

The Ring-tum Phi

Executive Editors.....Emily Baker, Dan Odenwald
Associate Editor.....Michael Hewlett
News Editors.....Anne Alvord, Christine Garnavish
Editorial Page Editor.....Alex Christensen
Sports Editor.....Scott Bookwalter
Features Editors.....Courtney Miller, Cindie Young
Photography Editor.....Betsy Green
Editorial Cartoonists.....Phil Flickinger

Business Manager.....Robert Nelson
Advertising Manager.....Doug Gertner
Advertisement Composition Artist.....Mark Tobias
Advertising Staff.....Melissa Byrd
Circulation Manager.....Stephen Williard

The Ring-tum Phi is published Fridays during the undergraduate school year at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia. Funding for *The Ring-tum Phi* comes primarily from advertising and subscription revenues. The Washington and Lee Publications Board elects the executive editor and business manager, but *The Ring-tum Phi* is otherwise independent.

Letters and other submissions must be in the Phi office, room 208 of the University Center, by noon on Tuesday to appear in that week's edition. Letters, columns, and "My Views" do not reflect the opinions of *The Ring-tum Phi* Editorial Board. Advertising does not reflect the opinions of *The Ring-tum Phi* or its staff. This newspaper observes current court definitions of libel and obscenity.

The Ring-tum Phi
Post Office Box 899
Lexington, Virginia 24450
Telephone (540)462-4059
Fax (540) 462-4060

Sleeping with the fishes

DREAM LAND

Richard Weaver

It's been several months since the tragic death of my betta fish, Beta Theta Pi. With the beginning of the new school year I thought it might be good to start off with a brand new fish. So I wouldn't get lonely.

Inspired by Kevin Costner's film *Waterworld* I wanted to create the most intricate, expensive fish environment possible. I set off for Wal-Mart, where I purchased not just any ordinary fish: I got a balu shark (retail price: \$8.97). I also bought "Schlitz" a new shipwreck, as well as a whole bag of blue gravel.

No fish would be complete without a supply of ColorBURST fish food. This gourmet fish food comes in multi-colored flakes (which smell suspiciously like ground-up dog food). The bottle was covered by a seal with the words "Sealed for YOUR Protection" on top. That made me feel a lot better.

Schlitz's fancy fish food made me a little bit jealous, so I bought myself some Wurmz-n-Dirt, a new snack treat consisting of ground-up Oreo cookies (the "Dirt") containing gummi worms (the "Wurmz"). The label says "The Best Bait You Ever Ate!" They're right.

This would probably be a good time

to discuss how much I like gummi. Gummi is the most artificial food ever created, with the possible exception of Cool Whip. There's something strangely addictive about this preslipped, artificially colored, artificially flavored, worm-molded congealed sugar that you would sell your mother to get more of. Or someone else's mother. And the Romans said that if you eat it with Dirt, you will become immortal.

Getting back to Schlitz, on the way back to my room he playfully tried to bite through his plastic bag. Those baby sharks! After I placed him in his Waterworld he swam at about 80 revolutions a minute. I fed him some of his ColorBURST food (so he would have more energy), which he briefly slowed down to snort up. Then Schlitz started shoving around gravel with his nose.

Normally people look for docility in a fish, but for my \$8.97 I wanted something with personality, notably anger. I brought in friends to watch Schlitz speak around his shipwreck, breaking only for three or four helpings of ColorBURST.

"Are you sure Schlitz is not going to outgrow the tank?" someone asked. Though that would have been cool to see, it was not meant to be. Schlitz's life was cut short.

He had started repeatedly turning upside down for several days. I just thought he was doing tricks for my

friends, but soon Schlitz was a floater; he was dead. I stared at his tank for hours; his eyes looked back at me all cold and shark-like.

In my grief I briefly thought about using cryogenic technology to preserve Schlitz's body (Schlitz Ice) until he could be brought back to life in the future. But I pulled myself together and decided it was time for me to make that long, hard walk down the hall to the bathroom. With his limp little body in my hand (don't worry — it was wrapped in paper towels), I stifled a little tear. After a short eulogy, I dropped him gently into the toilet bowl. With two flushes, Schlitz started spinning around just like he used to. And then he was gone...

I don't know if I'll ever be able to have another fish after Schlitz's death. But I do know that the blue gravel from his Waterworld looks like little blue diamonds if you shine a flashlight on them. Also, I do know that ColorBURST fish food, when sprinkled on your front door, can ward off evil spirits. That stuff really stinks! And I do know that Schlitz's plastic shipwreck will make a great multimedia addition to any term papers I do this year on the Spanish Armada. I'll put Schlitz on the bibliography page.

Yes, Schlitz taught me a lot in his short life: appreciate and cherish what you've got, and then when it's gone, flush the toilet and move on.

GENERAL NOTES

Parents Weekend

Parents Weekend 1995 will take place Oct. 27 and 28. Student leaders whose organizations plan to sponsor special Parents Weekend events which will be open to all parents and students should contact Michelle Richardson, Student Activities Coordinator, in the University Center no later than Sept. 29.

Poster Policy

Notices should not be posted on

any part of the Colonnade including Newcomb Hall and Tucker Hall. The Colonnade and Lee Chapel are National Historic Landmarks.

Notices should not be posted on the campus walkways.

Notices should not be posted on any of the white columns of campus buildings. Banners and signs for special events may hang from the Co-op columns.

Notices should not be posted on the Co-op white tables and chairs or on the teak benches on campus.

Notices should not be posted on the campus lampposts.

The organization that posts the notices is responsible for removing all notices when the event is over.

RACASA

RACASA, a United Way agency, is seeking volunteers to provide direct victim services and community education programs. The 33-hour Volunteer Training Program will be held from Wednesday, Oct. 4 through Saturday, Nov. 18. For more information, call (540) 463-RAPE.

LETTERS

To the editor:

Let me welcome those of you who are new to the W&L community and welcome those of you who are returning.

The re-gathering of our community after the summer's respite is one of the most special and exciting times in the year.

Seeing again old friends, making new friends, beginning a new academic term with its promise of interesting courses and teachers and its demands as well, athletic contests, and parties too—all these things and many more make the beginning of an academic year a very interesting and hopeful time in our lives.

Mimi and I extend our very best

wishes for a year that fulfills all your dreams for it, and we look forward to being with as many of you as possible before the year ends.

Very sincerely,

John W. Elrod
President
Washington and Lee University

The Ring-tum Phi.
It's not just for breakfast anymore.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR MAY BE SUBMITTED TO:

THE RING-TUM PHI
P.O. BOX 899
LEXINGTON, VA 24450
FAX: (703) 462-4060

Cappagallo

Ladies' Shoes, Clothing
and Accessories

Welcome Back Students

23 N. Main St. (703)463-5988
Lexington, VA 24450

Harbs'
A Bistro

8 am - 3 pm - Monday
8 am - 10 pm - Tuesday - Thursday
8 am - 11 pm - Friday - Saturday
9 am - 3 pm - Sunday

Wednesday - Spaghetti & Salad
All you can eat \$4.99

Thursday - 10% off food - with student ID

Friday - Seafood Nite -
Crab Legs, Shrimp, Trout
Saturday - 8 oz. Prime Rib,
2 Veggies, Salad \$8.95

Everyday Muffin & Cup of Coffee \$1.50
(8 am - 10 am)
Daily Lunch Special with Drink \$4.50

19 W. Washington St., Lexington, VA 24450



Welcome Back Students!
Marden's Hairstylists

25 N Main St.
463-6003

One of Lexington's Best Bets!

Full Service - Mens/Women Salon

Perms, Color, Highlighting w/ cap or foil
Bikini, Leg, Facial, & Therapeutic Waxing
Facials, manicures, Pedicures, Acrylic Nails
Paul Mitchell Redken Nexxus Aveda

Walk-ins Welcome

Don't Let Your Student Go Hungry

Harbs' Point Card
The \$100 Meal Ticket
Redeemable for
Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
For only \$90.00

Nutritious Muffins & Egg Specialties
Fresh Salads & Soups
Hearty Sandwiches & Mexican Entrees
Candlelight Dinners

Give Your Student
a Homecooked Meal With Our
Point Card

Harbs'

19 W. Washington St., Lexington, VA 24450

Alvin-Dennis

102 W. Washington St.

ALL SHORTS 1/2 PRICE

- BLUE BLAZERS
- BASS SHOES
- DUCKHEADS
- EMBASSY BOXERS
- RAY-BANS
- RED WING BOOTS
- TUXEDO RENTALS & SALES
- W&L BELTS, TIES, DOG COLLARS

VISA MASTERCARD STUDENT CHARGE
463-5383
SINCE 1963

Welcome Back Students

from

Il Palazzo



24 North Main St.
464-5800

FINE ITALIAN CUISINE

By the Numbers

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AFC			
East	W	L	PCT
Miami	1	0	1.000
New England	1	0	1.000
Buffalo	0	1	.000
Indianapolis	0	1	.000
N.Y. Jets	0	1	.000
Central			
Cincinnati	1	0	1.000
Houston	1	0	1.000
Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	0	1	.000
Jacksonville	0	1	.000
West			
Denver	1	0	1.000
Kansas City	1	0	1.000
Oakland	1	0	1.000
San Diego	0	1	.000
Seattle	0	1	.000
NFC			
East	W	L	PCT
Dallas	1	0	1.000
Washington	1	0	1.000
Arizona	0	1	.000
N.Y. Giants	0	1	.000
Philadelphia	0	1	.000
Central			
Chicago	1	0	1.000
Tampa Bay	1	0	1.000
Detroit	0	1	.000
Green Bay	0	1	.000
Minnesota	0	1	.000
West			
Atlanta	1	0	1.000
San Francisco	1	0	1.000
St. Louis	1	0	1.000
Carolina	0	1	.000
New Orleans	0	1	.000

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League				
East	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	76	45	.628	---
N.Y. Yankees	61	61	.500	15.5
Baltimore	57	65	.467	19.5
Toronto	51	71	.418	25.5
Detroit	50	71	.413	26
Central				
Cleveland	84	37	.694	---
Kansas City	62	59	.512	22
Milwaukee	59	63	.484	25.5
Chicago W.S.	56	64	.467	27.5
Minnesota	46	74	.383	37.5
West				
Seattle	68	55	.553	---
Seattle	62	60	.508	5.5
Texas	60	62	.492	7.5
Oakland	59	64	.480	9
National League				
East	W	L	PCT	GB
Atlanta	78	44	.639	---
Philadelphia	62	61	.504	16
Montreal	59	63	.484	18.5
Florida	55	65	.458	22
N.Y. Mets	53	68	.438	24
Central				
Cincinnati	75	46	.620	---
Houston	62	60	.508	13.5
Chicago	61	60	.504	14
Pittsburgh	51	70	.421	24
St. Louis	50	72	.410	25.5
West				
Colorado	63	58	.521	---
Los Angeles	64	59	.520	---
San Diego	60	61	.496	3
San Francisco	58	64	.475	5.5

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS (HOME TEAM IN CAPS)

ATLANTA 23, Carolina 20 (OT)
 Cincinnati 24, INDIANAPOLIS 21 (OT)
 Houston 10, JACKSONVILLE 3
 NEW ENGLAND 17, Cleveland 14
 St. Louis 17, GREEN BAY 14
 Tampa Bay 21, PHILADELPHIA 6
 San Francisco 24, NEW ORLEANS 22
 PITTSBURGH 23, Detroit 20
 MIAMI 52, N.Y. Jets 14
 WASHINGTON 27, Arizona 7
 CHICAGO 31, Minnesota 14
 Kansas City 34, SEATTLE 10
 OAKLAND 17, San Diego 7
 DENVER 22, Buffalo 7
 Dallas 35, N.Y. GIANTS 0 (Mon.)

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Miami at New England 1PM
 Pittsburgh at Houston 1PM
 Oakland at Washington 1PM
 N.Y. Giants at Kansas City 1PM
 Detroit at Minnesota 1PM
 Carolina at Buffalo 1PM
 New Orleans at St. Louis 1PM
 Tampa Bay at Cleveland 1PM
 Denver at Dallas 4PM
 Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets 4PM
 Jacksonville at Cincinnati 4PM
 Seattle at San Diego 4PM
 Atlanta at San Francisco 4PM
 Philadelphia at Arizona 8PM

MONDAY'S GAME

Green Bay at Chicago 9PM

GENERALS' UPCOMING HOME SCHEDULE 9/8 - 9/14

Saturday, 9/9 Water Polo in W&L Fall Classic
 Wednesday, 9/13 Men's soccer vs. Marymount, 4:00 PM
 Thursday, 9/14 Women's soccer vs. Mary Baldwin, 4:30 PM

WILD CARD RACES:

AL				
Kansas City	62	59	.512	---
Seattle	62	60	.508	0.5
N.Y. Yankees	61	61	.500	1.5
Texas	60	62	.492	2.5
Milwaukee	59	63	.484	3.5
Oakland	59	64	.480	4
Baltimore	57	65	.467	5.5
Chicago W.S.	56	64	.467	5.5
NL				
Los Angeles	64	59	.520	---
Houston	62	60	.508	1.5
Philadelphia	62	61	.504	2
Chicago C.	61	60	.504	2
San Diego	60	61	.496	3
Montreal	59	63	.484	4.5
San Francisco	58	64	.475	5.5
Florida	55	65	.458	7.5

THURSDAY'S GAMES:

NL
 Atlanta 6, FLORIDA 3 (completion of suspended game)
 Atlanta at Florida, 2nd game, night
 San Diego at St. Louis, night
 AL
 Seattle at Cleveland, night
 Chicago W.S. at Texas, night

THIS WEEKEND'S GAMES:

Baltimore at Cleveland, Fri-Sun
 Boston at N.Y. Yankees, Fri-Sun
 Detroit at Toronto, Fri-Mon
 Texas at Milwaukee, Fri-Sun
 Chicago W.S. at Oakland, Fri-Sun
 Kansas City at Seattle, Fri-Sun
 Minnesota at California, Fri-Sun
 Atlanta at Florida, Fri-Sun
 San Francisco at Chicago C., Fri-Sun
 Cincinnati at Colorado, Fri-Sun
 Houston at Philadelphia, Fri-Sun
 Los Angeles at Pittsburgh, Fri-Sun
 San Diego at St. Louis, Fri-Sun
 N.Y. Mets at Montreal, Fri-Mon

Defending champion 49ers search for back-to-back titles

NFC, from page 8

wideout in Dallas, gives Dilfer a go-to receiver. Hardy Nickerson anchors the defense at linebacker. With the best talent they have had in a long time, the Bucs should go from 5-11 to 6-10 to... 7-9.

NFC WEST:

San Francisco: You can book this one. Sure, no-name Derek Loville will be running the ball, but it never really matters who the 49ers plug into their system. They still win. It's not that talent doesn't count for something. Look up Steve Young and Jerry Rice. The Niners may end up losing cornerback Deion Sanders, but there are still adequate players around on defense, namely Dana Stubblefield, Ken Norton, Jr., and Merton Hanks. It will be more interesting to see if the Niners can adequately replace the losses of the offensive and defensive coordinators from last year, Mike Shanahan and Ray Rhodes. 13-3, division winner.

Atlanta: This team used to be fun to watch when Deion Sanders and coach Jerry Glanville were around. Now the Falcons look like just another mediocre franchise playing in a boring dome. Atlanta is now the run-and-shoot offense's last stand, and it has the talent to effectively operate it with quarterback Jeff George, and wide receivers Terance Mathis and Eric Metcalf. Now if they can patch together a pass defense, the Falcons will once again be raising some excitement down in Georgia. 8-8.

New Orleans: In the past, the Saints were very predictable. Stick it down around the 25-yard line, have Morten Andersen kick a field goal, and watch the defense do the rest. Now, those are no longer possible. Andersen departed for the archrival Falcons, and the defense turned as soft as gumbo. So, for the Saints to regain their winning ways, they will need to get another productive season out of the offense, and (gulp) quarterback Jim Everett. 8-8.

St. Louis: No matter where they are located, this tough-luck franchise can't get anything to go right. After serving as bridesmaids for the 49ers in the late '80s, the Rams have

sunken to such depths that even Jim Everett becomes a winner when he leaves town. Chris Miller spent more time last year auditioning for the cast of *M*A*S*H** than he did throwing passes. If he can keep himself upright for most of the year behind the Rams' pathetic offensive line, he'll be able to connect with Isaac Bruce, a wideout with some major talent. But no doubt the newly fed-up fans in St. Louis will soon be calling for Miller to hand off to Jerome Bettis and get the heck out of the way. 5-11.

Carolina: Don't be surprised if the expansion Panthers finish ahead of their inaugural season. For an expansion team, Carolina really is not that bad. The Panthers have a gritty starting quarterback in Frank Reich and a solid kicker in John Kasay. However, coach Dom Capers' ball-control attack needs a dependable running back, which isn't in Randy Baldwin's resume, at least not yet. Capers built the swarming Steel Trap defense in Pittsburgh, and given a few years, will do similarly in Charlotte. He already has a seasoned veteran leader in linebacker Sam Mills. Carolina will hang around in plenty of games, and a four or five-win season would be a terrific first-year accomplishment. 4-12.



Steve Young attempts to lead the 49ers back to the promised land in '95.

In the end, it will boil down to what it has in the NFC for the last three years: a Dallas vs. San Francisco NFC Championship Game. Unless, of course, there is a major upset. That seems unlikely because there are not any other teams near the plateau occupied by the league's top two model organizations.

Atlanta and Arizona are too inconsistent to stay with the Cowboys and 49ers over the course of the season, and Philadelphia has a lot of question marks, as well as a brand-new staff.

If there is a challenge, it likely will come from a Central Division team, all of which play well at home. Detroit has Barry Sanders and an offense that can put up some points. Chicago comes to mind with its rock-solid defense. And surely the Niners and Cowboys have found more pleasant places to play in January than a frostbitten, windswept Soldier Field, where the fans are swilling beer and bellowing, "Da Bears!"

Coming next week: An analysis of the AFC.

**Write for The Ring-tum Phi Sports Page!
 If interested, call Scott at the Phi office.**

THE PHOENIX

September Music
 20 South Randolph Street 464-5011

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sept. 6 RKG Project	Sept. 7 Karaoke	Sept. 8 Red Weather	Sept. 9 Miller Brothers Band
Sept. 13 D.J. Michelle	Sept. 14 Karaoke	Sept. 15 Alter Ego	Sept. 16 Fatty Lumpkin & Lovehogs

LARGEST STUDENT TRAVEL PLANNER on East Coast looking for Campus Rep to promote Kodak SPRING BREAK trips "Guaranteed" lowest package prices and best incentives. You handle the sales...we handle the bookkeeping. Cancun, Nassau, Jamaica, S. Padre, Orlando & Key West. EARN BIG \$\$\$ AND/OR FREE TRIP(S)...GREAT FOR RESUME!!! CALL 1-800-222-4432

NIGHT OWL MUSIC CO.

**NOT
 Just Top 40**

**WE SELL CO'S,
 TAPES, AND VINYL**

25 S. Jefferson 464-4050
 Open 11 a.m. 'til 7 p.m. Monday - Friday, Saturday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

4 Bedroom House for Rent
 Rt. 60 E
 463-5383

VARNER & POLE
 Specializing in Unfinished Furniture and Shades

19 S. Randolph St.
 463-2742



Last Week:

There were no athletic events scheduled as all the W&L sports teams continued to practice.

The Ring-tum Phi SPORTS

This Week:

Volleyball - Sat. at Christopher Newport, 12 Noon.
MSoccer - Sat. at Shenandoah, 3:00 PM
Wed. vs. Marymount, 4:00 PM
WSoccer - Sat. and Sun. at Kean Tournament
Thurs. vs. Mary Baldwin, 4:30 PM
Football - Sat. at Emory and Henry, 1:30 PM
M. W. Cross Country - Sat. at Lebanon Valley Invitational
Water Polo - Sat. and Sun. in W&L Fall Classic

Summer Revisited

THE BIG FAN

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER

If you took a three-month siesta between school years (not a half-bad idea), you missed plenty of exciting action in sports this summer.

Baseball, as usual, was plagued by numerous off-the-field exploits. George Steinbrenner was back at it again in New York. He allowed Darryl "Drugs? Huh?" Strawberry to join a team already infected by eight-time druggie Steve Howe. George then traded for pitcher David Cone and slugger Ruben Sierra, and watched as the Yankees promptly faded.

In the meantime, Yankee legend Mickey Mantle died of cancer shortly after receiving his much-hyped liver transplant. Mantle may have been the player who epitomized the Yankee prowess of yesteryear.

Fans today haven't quite warmed to the present-day players the way they did in Mantle's era, mostly due to skyrocketing salaries and the strike earlier this year. A baseball giveaway promotion backfired in Los Angeles on August 10, as fans took out their displeasure by pelting the field with their baseballs. The game was subsequently forfeited to St. Louis, causing the hometown Dodgers to lose precious ground in the race.

However, there was good news in Baltimore as Cal Ripken made history Wednesday by breaking Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 consecutive games played. It couldn't have happened to a better player and person.

Football was not without its share of excitement. The NFL continued its game of Chinese checkers as the L.A. Raiders moved back to Oakland, and the L.A. Rams fled to St. Louis, also a former NFL city. Spurred by these moves, nearly every team west of the Grand Canyon was rumored to be vacating to Los Angeles.

In the college ranks, Auburn finished its two-year probation to see hated archrival Alabama get slammed with a three-season violation.

In older news, the Houston Rockets, led by Robert Horry and Hakeem Olajuwon, swept away the Orlando Magic in the NBA Finals, and the NHL was seeing red after the New Jersey Devils captured the Stanley Cup.

John Daly pulled his life back together after years of alcohol and spousal abuse, and stepped up his game in the process by winning the British Open, four years after his monstrous drives helped him capture the 1991 PGA Championship. Corey Pavin, often labeled the best player never to win a major tournament, finally won one with his victory in the U.S. Open.

The highlight of the summer may have been the Mike Tyson-Peter McNeely travesty. Fans who had paid ridiculous sums to watch the fight were angered when McNeely's trainer stopped the fight midway through the first round. Iron Mike still looks tough after his jail term, but it will be hard to tell until he fights a quality opponent.

Considering controversy follows Tyson around like a magnet, the upcoming year promises to offer as much excitement as the summer did.

Defensive tackle scouted by NFL

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
Phi Sports Editor

Look out NFL, here comes Robert Hull.

Well, maybe not so quick. After all, W&L isn't known for being an NFL prep factory.

Still, there was considerable excitement recently when several pro scouts showed up at a Generals practice to watch the senior All-American defensive tackle Hull.

Head coach Frank Miriello said that scouts mostly from the east coast NFL teams, such as the Washington Redskins, Philadelphia Eagles, and New York Giants, were present.

"It was a routine check," explained Miriello, who added that the scouts were in the area to inspect players from James Madison and VMI as well.

"They were aware of him because he was named the preseason Division III Defensive Player of the Year," Miriello said.

Hull was excited over the scouts coming to visit him.

"It's a great honor to be considered," he said.

"Robert is an outstanding football player," Miriello added. "He is so intense, has a tremendous work ethic, and loves football."



All-American DT Robert Hull has been scouted by the pros, but is doubtful about trying out soon.

However, both Hull and Miriello express doubt that Hull will be trying out for the NFL in the near future.

"He doesn't quite have the size that the scouts are looking for," cautioned Miriello. "That level is big business."

In the next few years, Hull won't be playing much football; he will be playing with teeth. "My immediate goal is that I'm looking to get into a dental school," Hull said.

"That's looking pretty optimistic," he added.

The senior has been under immense pressure to lead the Generals' defense in 1995 after finishing the 1994 season with a team-high 106 tackles, seven quarterback sacks, and four forced fumbles.

In May, he was selected preseason Division III Defensive Player of the Year by *The Sporting News*.

"It was surprising (to be named), considering we're not a nationally-ranked team," remarked Hull.

Miriello feels Hull will have a tremendous impact this fall on not just the defense, but on the entire team.

"Robert has the capability of elevating people around him," the coach mentioned.

"He's finally coming to the realization that he has that impact."

Hull's quest for another All-American season and to lead the Generals back to the top of the division begins tomorrow, when Washington and Lee visits Emory and Henry.

The Wasps stung the Generals in last year's opener at Wilson Field, 23-2.

"Our goal as a team is to win the ODAC," Hull said. "Hopefully, we can start it off with a win against Emory and Henry."

San Francisco, Dallas lead charge as NFL kicks off season

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
Phi Sports Editor

The advent of a new school year means two things: the beginning of autumn and the start of another NFL football season.

The only league without a recent work stoppage, the NFL will attempt to follow up on an exciting 1994 season. Last year, the San Francisco 49ers finally knocked off the Dallas Cowboys in the NFC title game, and went on to destroy the San Diego Chargers in the Super Bowl, 49-26.

Despite the loss of halfback Ricky Watters and possibly cornerback Deion Sanders, the defending champion 49ers are still the team to beat in 1995.

This year also marks the birth of two new teams, the Carolina Panthers and the Jacksonville Jaguars. The Panthers will play in the NFC West (yeah, figure it out), while the Jaguars will compete in the AFC Central. Both teams will hope to have more success than their expansion predecessors, the Tampa Bay Bucs, and the Seattle Seahawks. Tampa Bay and Seattle both joined the league in 1976, and neither have played in a Super Bowl as of yet.

In this first of a two-part series, I'll look at how the NFC stacks up, and take a guess on how each team should finish.

much as he likes Jimmy Johnson. The defense, with the likes of Eric Swann, Seth Joyner, and Clyde Simmons, will once again wreak havoc on opponents' offenses. Rookie wide receiver Frank Sanders could surprise on offense, as well as newly-acquired Rob Moore. Dave Krieg, who has been around long enough to hand off to Red Grange, isn't exactly the quarterback of Arizona's future. 8-8, wild card.

N.Y. Giants: The Giants were the NFL's Jekyll-and-Hyde team in 1994. They lost seven straight, then won their last six to finish 9-7. Coach Dan Reeves has built a reliable defense in his two-year tenure. The offense, without an established receiver, is another story. Herschel Walker and Rodney Hampton do key a potentially strong ground game. Now if quarterback Dave Brown spends more time on the field than he does in the training room this year, expect the Giants to be in the midst of the playoff hunt. 8-8.

Washington: It seems the Redskins have turned into football's version of the New York Mets. Despite the constant infusion of young prospects, the rebuilding program is stuck in neutral. With a capable backup in Gus Frerotte, highly-touted quarterback Heath Shuler is running low on time and chances. Linebacker Ken Harvey was a huge success last year in his first season with the 'Skins, but he'll need some help from his friends. 5-11.

NFC CENTRAL:

Detroit: There is never a favorite in this wacky division. Every year, each team takes turns beating one another, and with the exception of Tampa Bay, usually finishes around .500. Detroit doesn't look particularly dominant, but it is hard to bet against a gamebreaking runner like Barry Sanders. Wide receiver Herman Moore has turned into one of the NFL's elite, unlike quarterback Scott Mitchell, who was the NFL's highest-paid free agent bust of the year in 1994. 10-6, division winner.

Chicago: Funny, but doesn't Mike Ditka still coach this team? The Bears' stifling defense and crank-it-out offense are trademarks of the Ditka years. Neither Erik Kramer or Steve Walsh are the type of quarterbacks likely to make coach Dave Wannstedt's Bears do the Super Bowl Shuffle. With the expected defensive dominance, if rookie halfback Rashaan Salaam does half of what he did at Colorado, the Bears will be in business. 9-7, wild card.

Green Bay: Brett Favre should sue for nonsupport. After the quarterback finally began performing consistently, the Packers released superstar wide receiver Sterling Sharpe, and will hinge its running game on...Edgar Bennett. With the loss of Bryce Paup to Buffalo, Reggie White and the rest of his defensive comrades will need to have an outstanding season to keep the Pack afloat. 8-8.

Minnesota: During the late '80s and early '90s, the Vikings perennially underachieved. Now they perennially overachieve. Cris Carter shattered the NFL single-season receptions record with 122 in 1994, and defensive tackle John Randle anchors a potent run defense. Wide receiver David Palmer, a disappointment last year, has blossomed into a dangerous return man. Quarterback Warren Moon is about 55, and there's not much of a running game. Still, don't be shocked if the Vikes find a way to capture the division. They were not favored last season, but still won the Central, anyway. 7-9.

Tampa Bay: This could be the year that west Florida has been waiting for. A Super Bowl? No. A playoff appearance? Probably not. No, it could be the Bucs' first single-digit loss season since 1982. The pieces are in place with potential superstars Errict Rhett and Trent Dilfer. Wide receiver Alvin Harper, who was a big-play



Photo by Mary Butkus, Associated Press

The L. A. Rams' moving van enters St. Louis, where the Rams will make their new home. Their former neighbors, the Raiders, also vacated Los Angeles.

NFC EAST:

Dallas: The Cowboys still reign over this division, although they have slipped a bit with some free agent losses, particularly on defense, as well as the never-ending distractions provided by owner Jerry Jones and coach Barry Switzer. The defense still has an imposing line with the likes of Charles Haley, who once again reneged on his retirement plans, Russell Maryland, and of course, the famous football goat, Leon Lett. With Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith, and Michael Irvin still in town on offense, Dallas would have to fall flat for the rest of the division to catch up. Predicted record: 11-5, division winner.

Philadelphia: As usual, Philly's fortunes rest with quarterback Randall Cunningham. If Randall stays healthy and productive the entire season for a change, the Eagles can soar into the playoffs. Randall will have the benefit of offensive weapons such as Ricky Watters and wide receiver Fred Barnett to help him. The acquisition of Gary Anderson gives the Eagles an excellent kicker. New coach Ray Rhodes will need to establish a solid defense, now that Buddy Ryan took half of it to Arizona, and Eric Allen left for the Saints, in order to bury the memory of last season's inexplicable collapse, and contend for the playoffs in 1995. 9-7, wild card.

Arizona: It is scary to think what Arizona could accomplish if it ever found an offense. Coach Buddy Ryan likes offense about as

Cal plays 2,131

At 9:20 PM on Wednesday, the unthinkable happened. Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken broke New York Yankee legend Lou Gehrig's consecutive games played streak of 2,130 by playing in his 2,131st contest.

The Iron Horse's iron record had stood for 56 seasons, and was considered by many to be one of the most unreachable records in sports, the ultimate test of one's longevity.

Gehrig began his consecutive games streak on June 1, 1925 with a pinch-hitting appearance, and he replaced the ill Wally Pipp at first base for the Yankees the next day.

Pipp never made it back into the lineup.

Seven World Series appearances later, Gehrig finally withdrew from the Yankee lineup on May 2, 1939, due to a mysterious illness. Lou would never play in another game. He was later diagnosed with ALS, and died on June 2, 1941.

Ripken started his streak on May 30, 1982 as an anonymous third baseman for the Orioles. He wouldn't stay that way for long. Shortly thereafter, he was moved to shortstop, where he became possibly the best hitting and fielding middle infielder of all-time.

Cal has started twelve consecutive All-Star games, played in a record 8,243 straight innings from 1982-1987, is the all-time leader in home runs from a shortstop, and his three errors in 1990 established a mark for fewest errors in a season by a shortstop.

More importantly, Ripken became a hero in a town that needed a sports figure to latch onto after the football Colts deserted Baltimore in 1984.

Cal returned the appreciation the fans in Baltimore showed him throughout his career when the game became official in the bottom of the fifth inning. The Orioles eventually triumphed, 4-2, over the California Angels.

After the "2,131" sign appeared on the warehouse behind the right field stands, Ripken jogged around the outskirts of the field, slapping and shaking the hands of fans. The game was halted for nearly one-half hour as fans gave Ripken a rousing ovation. Speeches and a presentation of a car followed the game. Earlier, Ripken smacked a dramatic home run for the second

straight night, sending the crowd into a frenzy.

In a season plagued by labor disputes and fan apathy, for one unforgettable night, the tradition of baseball and the warmth displayed over a career of dedication, loyalty, and tremendous accomplishments reappeared.



Lou Gehrig



Photo by Morris Postoff, The Sporting News

Cal Ripken

Soccer returns top six scorers

By SCOTT BOOKWALTER
Phi Sports Editor

With eight starters returning, the Washington and Lee men's soccer team has plenty of cause for excitement over the upcoming season.

W&L captured five games out of six at one point late last year to finish strongly at 7-7-2, a decisive improvement over a 5-13 log in 1993.

The Generals fell in the first round of the ODAC tournament at Randolph-Macon by a count of 4-0.

Despite the losses of four seniors to graduation, the fact that six of the leading scorers from 1994 are returning leads to increased expectations.

The Generals lost two-time captain midfielder Alan Christensen, midfielder Kevin Hocking, who notched three goals and one assist during his senior season, forward Jud Allen, and back Paul Wright.

"We miss them (the graduating seniors)," head coach Rolf Piranian said, "but we're just as good without them."

Players such as senior Jeb Wofford illustrate that point.

The tri-captain Wofford was W&L's leading scorer last year, racking up seven goals and four assists from his position at midfield.

These accomplishments earned him a place on the all-ODAC second team.

He will be joined at the midfield spot by fellow senior Chad Dobbins, who has started every contest the last two years.

Sophomore Gordon Meeker will key the Generals' offense up front.

Meeker posted an outstanding freshman season by scoring four goals and assisting twice. Two of his four goals proved to be game-winners.

Senior forward Shag Drewry

equaled Meeker's '94 campaign with four goals and two assists of his own.

However, due to rehabilitation from knee surgery, W&L will not be able to count on Drewry's services for the early part of the season.

Senior tri-captain Fernando Bravo will provide leadership at forward, while juniors Dave Corning and Bill Gill will be relied on for extra scoring punch.

The Generals should be excellent defensively, particularly because of the experience of junior Bill Sigler, who will start for the third straight season.

Sophomore Michael Germain is also back after an impressive first year in which he started every game but one in the backfield.

Also counted on for contributions on the defensive end are junior Mike Matechak, who starts at marking back this year, sophomore Colin Connolly, who also played excellently in his first season, and incoming freshman Mikel Parker.

Junior tri-captain Anthony Mazerrelli, with 76 saves in 1994, is solid at goalie.

Piranian will emphasize the team concept even more throughout the autumn.

"I can't single out anybody in particular," he mentioned.

"I just look for a good eleven-man effort each game."

The Generals kick off their season tomorrow with a trip to Shenandoah before returning home on Wednesday afternoon to host Marymount.

"I expect two very difficult games," Piranian commented. "We'd like to come up with the wins, but they would probably be ugly wins because we're still coming together."

Despite the increased pressure to improve even more this season with a load of talent returning to the field, Piranian keeps his philosophy simple.

"We just want to have fun and win some games."