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For the first time in ten years, the team will not be in the quarterfinals.

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## Taking a snap at the outdoors

Outing Club hosts W&L alum Harrison Shull, nature photographer

By Eleanor Kennedy  
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The Outing Club hosted Washington and Lee class of 1993 alum Harrison Shull last Wednesday. Shull is one of the premier outdoor adventure photographers in the southeast United States. Shull presented a slideshow of approximately 150 images, telling stories of where and why he took the various pictures and how some of the images were created.

Shull attended Washington and Lee from 1989 to 1993. While a student, Shull escaped the confines of Lexington to find climbing, hiking, raft-

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Harrison Shull, W&L '93 alum

ing and other outdoor activities throughout the neighboring areas.

Upon graduation, Shull thought he would take a year or two off to be a climbing guide before attending grad school. But his grandmother bought him his first real camera for graduation and he "never made it to grad school." He spent six years as a climbing guide before moving into the world of photography full-time. There are now over 175,000 images in Shull's files.

Shull now runs his own photography company, Shull Photo. He spends most of his time traveling around the southeastern United States, trying to capture exciting images that advertisers and magazine writers might want to use in the future. Most of Shull's work is stock images that a few different agencies distribute for him. For example, when a sporting magazine wanted to do a feature on camping on the Appalachian Trail, the producers simply looked through the hundred or so images that Shull has in stock of campers on the trail and chose one for their cover.

Shull will sometimes do assignments for magazines but spends most of his time carrying his camera around while outside, looking for something that might be useful.

"I take my camera everywhere. You never know what you're going to find," Shull said.

The shots in Shull's slideshow ranged from pictures of Shull and his buddies rock climbing to two extremely talented mountain unicyclers, but they also captured the beauty of nature, such as in a shot of the sun's beams beginning to peak through the clouds over North Carolina. When it comes to shots like those, Shull admits that sometimes "it's better to be lucky than good."

Shull's show also had a great number of shots with his Labrador, since "nothing sells a picture like a dog."

Very few of the pictures in Shull's show could be classified as "standard" or "boring" by any means. Shull is fascinated by capturing motion and often uses specialized zooms or attaches a camera to a moving bike or motorcycle in order to convey motion. In addition, it is not unusual to look at one of Shull's photos and realize that the image was taken while hanging of a tree or a cliff or with the camera buried or hidden under water.

"I absolutely abhor standing on the ground and taking normal pictures," he said. "I am always looking for ways to change the perspective."

## Discussing W&L's issues

### Students and EC examine concerns over sexual assault, student government transparency, Traveller and honor

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Sexual assault, student government transparency and the definition of honor were among the primary issues discussed at probably the first-ever student body meeting last Monday, but students also brought up everything from voting procedures to Traveller and the speaking tradition.

The meeting was called by EC president Eric Hoffman after over 100 students signed a petition last term. Seniors Anthony Ives and Regina Mills decided to start the petition when they read about e-mails Hoffman had sent during his cam-

aign for president.

The meeting was held in the Warner Center and lasted for two and a half hours.

Not nearly enough people attended the meeting to be able to make amendments to the White Book, but students still had the chance to ask questions to the EC. Suggestions were made for future elections to potentially change the White Book and Student Body Constitution.

Hoffman gave an opening statement in which he offered an explanation of the e-mails that appeared in the Ring-tum Phi on March 30. He sent these e-mails shortly before the run-off election for EC president. He admitted he was careless and should

have used different words.

In defending his statement that the Student Bar Association (SBA) should receive more money from

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Eric Hoffman, EC president

the EC, Hoffman explained that the SBA is the student government organization for the law school and is responsible for providing services to

law students as well as the rest of the university.

As for his e-mail message stating the EC should be filled with more law students, he said he never intended to suggest that undergraduates are not qualified, though he did say that law students are better schooled in procedure and looking at all sides of an issue.

"Older age can bring more maturity," he said. But he added, "I've always found the undergraduate members of the EC to be particularly thoughtful and mature."

He said he realizes that some students may not share these same

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## Expanding to Roanoke

### W&L Law students gain experience in their career field

By Anne Vesoulls  
STAFF WRITER

It seems as though Oliver Hill's legacy is already having an impact on how Washington and Lee law students and Roanoke area lawyers are helping the community.

May 1 marked the official launch of the Washington and Lee Community Law Center in Roanoke. The Law Center is located at the newly renovated childhood home of civil rights lawyer Oliver Hill.

The open house brought in over 100 people to tour the facility, learn about its mission and hear a number of speakers. Among those present were Esther Vassar, president of the Oliver Hill Foundation; Roanoke Mayor David Bowers and W&L Law Dean Rodney Smolla.

The home was made available to the Law Center by the Oliver Hill Foundation, an organization dedicated to carrying on Hill's work in the field of civil rights.

The Oliver Hill Foundation not only assists the community, but also

strives to assist young lawyers to obtain public service experience and provides financial incentives and aid to young lawyers who would otherwise not be able to achieve their goals.

The Community Center focuses

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Mary Natkin, W&L Law asst. dean of clinical education

on helping the Roanoke community by providing legal assistance to its citizens. It has been providing pro bono—free—legal services to those in need in an attempt to assist the impoverished.

The center has been assisting the elderly since last fall with final documents and other paperwork.

"We are currently helping the elderly population of Roanoke with advanced medical directives, living wills and naming powers of attorney. We are also helping them to create wills," said Howard Highland, W&L Law graduate and live-in center personnel.

Since January, two new types of assistance have become available: an ex-offender program and an immigration program.

There are currently two immigration cases with which the center is assisting.

The ex-offender program helps ex-felons to reinstate their voting rights.

"There is a clause in Virginia law that disenfranchises convicted felons of the right to vote. In order to gain that right back, attorney assistance is helpful," said Highland.

Highland also said that this ex-offender program directly applies to Hill's mission: civil rights.

Oliver Hill was an attorney during the Civil Rights movement. He was

one of the five lawyers to argue in the 1954 *Brown v. Board of Education* decision which declared school segregation illegal. A graduate of Howard University and Howard Law School, Hill received an honorary law degree from Washington and Lee in 2000.

"Hill is truly an inspiration," said Highland.

As news of the center spreads, more and more people are seeking the assistance of the law students.

"We have taken a few referrals and have six or seven clients already," said Mary Natkin, assistant dean for clinical education and public service at W&L Law. "We have had lots of success...we are just seeing the beginning of the bubble."

Washington and Lee Law students will be working in conjunction with Roanoke lawyers to provide services to those in need.

"It is the dream of the center to have lawyers and law students to work together to help the community in the Hill House," said Highland.

# news

## Answering the local tummy growls

*RARA, Campus Kitchens and W&L collaborate to fight against local hunger*

By Jessica Strait  
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Cheez-it boxes, cereal, canned food, oatmeal cream pies, macaroni and cheese, snacks, cookies, Past-A-Roni and seemingly never-ending bags of potatoes fill the rooms of the Rockbridge Area Relief Association food pantry, overflowing into the halls.

RARA is on the brink of running out of space. And if the number of food-needy families and individuals in the area continues to climb as the economy spirals downward, it's only a matter of time.

RARA, which opened in 1972, provides non-perishable food to local people in need. The food pantry is a tiny building, and if you aren't looking for RARA, you'll probably drive right by without noticing.

To create more storage space, a collaboration is underway bringing together Washington and Lee University, RARA and Campus Kitchens, according to visiting education professor Don Dailey, who is involved with the project and W&L's Shepherd Poverty Program.

The project will include students and faculty predicting future needs and researching possible ways to coordinate with

food services in other communities. The project also hopes to convene local leaders in a series of forums to raise awareness of the hunger issue. Volunteer Lynn McCoy mentioned the possibility of a retired architect coming on board with the project to see if the interior of the building, which used to be the site of the Free Clinic, can be somehow redesigned to better suit RARA's needs.

The project is still in beginning stages, and right now the focus is on bringing different voices into the discussion. Dailey also mentioned the possibility of integrating food services or setting up satellite food pantries in different locations as ways to alleviate the problem. The project presents an opportunity for collective problem solving in the community.

Although RARA currently operates out of a small building, the pantry still manages to do big things. From 2005 to 2007, the number of food packages served remained stable, around 7,500 packages.

In 2008, RARA experienced a 30 percent hike in demand, serving 10,956 food packages. RARA workers try to always have a one-month supply of food

in their pantry, where they also store the food that volunteers deliver monthly.

"In a survey we conducted two years ago, hunger and food security were not seen as critical in the community," said Dailey. "Since the economic downturn,

*"It really opened my eyes. Stuff you see on TV is happening right here, right now."*

Lynn McCoy, RARA volunteer

hunger has emerged as a critical issue that is expanding beyond local capacity."

Professor Harlan Beckley, Director of W&L's Shepherd Poverty Program, also attributes the problem to the economy, which has similarly affected the demand for other service needs in the area, such as Rockbridge Area Transportation Services programs and the Free Clinic.

Lynn McCoy, a 56-year-old retired Lexington man, first volunteered at RARA when some friends from his church invited him to join their team. That was almost a year ago, and in that time McCoy has witnessed situa-

tions that bring the local poverty issue to light. According to McCoy, many people see Lexington as an affluent area and never know that these people are in this community.

"It really opened my eyes," said McCoy. "Stuff you see on

their feet," said McCoy, with a kind, crinkly smile.

The problem is all too common, especially recently. Most people who come in to RARA are unemployed, but some have low-paying jobs, and others are simply unable to work. According to McCoy, there have been many layoffs lately at local plants.

However, among the economic struggles, there may be a silver lining. It seems that people are more generous in these tough times—everyone keeps giving and helping.

"The community is so supportive," said McCoy. "If funds run low, people help."

Some also donate their time—five to six volunteers come in every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3 to 4 p.m. to help hand out food, which comes from the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, local food drives, churches, and individuals.

RARA checks visitors every January and July to make sure they qualify to receive food, but according to McCoy, "most easily qualify." The amount of food they receive depends on the size of the family in need, and everyone is allotted one visit per month.

For now, there seems to be no end in sight for the recession. Beckley suggested several local and federal initiatives that would alleviate the increased need in Rockbridge county: public transportation in the area, increased money available for food stamps and universal health insurance.

Yet, despite the state of the economy, McCoy, said there is always going to be a need in the area.

And whether or not RARA relocates, renovates, or stays exactly the same, rest assured that enough people will always be there to lend a hand.

"We serve a lot of people," said McCoy. "The volunteers make it go."

## Oil billionaire calls for alternatives

*T. Boone Pickens speaks out for newer, cleaner energy resources for the nation*

By Diandra Spicak  
NEWS EDITOR

Oil billionaire and philanthropist T. Boone Pickens, an outspoken advocate for alternative energy, spoke at Lee Chapel on Thursday, April 28.

Washington and Lee's Contact Committee sponsored his visit.

As the founder and chairman of BP Capital Management, one of the nation's most successful energy-oriented investment funds, the 80-year-old Pickens has garnered the reputation of the "Oracle of Oil" for his accurate predictions of oil and gas prices.

His speech detailed how Americans can wean themselves from foreign oil and reign in abundant natural resources like natural gas. Armed with a white board and dry erase marker, Pickens drew pie charts accompanied by figures showing Americans' use of foreign oil and other energy resources.

Drawing on his status as one

of the most influential businessmen in history, Pickens compared American dependency on foreign oil to international dependency, citing a story of how the Chinese tried to tap into their natural gas reserves, only to find they had no lines from their fields. America, on the other hand, has many natural gas fields which run from Appalachia to Texas, and even into Colorado, Wyoming and Alaska.

In July 2008, Pickens put into action an ambitious and completely self-funded grassroots campaign aimed at reducing America's dependence on imported oil. He has launched a national television ad campaign, and with personal appearances and his Web site, he argues that the nation's dependence on foreign oil poses threats to the economy, the environment and national security.

"I had the opportunity to talk to both of the presidential candidates before the election," Pickens

said. "Neither of the senators had any idea or clue about energy — if they had been given an energy test, they both would have failed...But once I brought up my plan to them and spoke about reducing our dependency on foreign oil, they both seemed very

*"I see the need to cut down on foreign dependency. We need that now, and [natural gas] is the fastest way to get there."*

T. Boone Pickens, oil billionaire and philanthropist

interested."

The Pickens Plan, which has more than a million supporters, calls for wind generation facilities to produce 20 percent of the nation's electricity and for natural gas to fuel vehicles.

Throughout his speech, Pickens pushed home the idea that it

had become the new generation's responsibility to join his "army." He went on to explain to the audience members that by joining the Pickens plan, each and every one of the members had a duty to advocate alternative resources.

Pickens focused mainly on

reigning in the uses of natural gas, although he has become well known for advocating wind energy. When confronted about why he pushed natural gas so much, Pickens responded that "while wind energy is mainly my focus, I see the need to cut down on foreign dependency. We need

that now, and [natural gas] is the fastest way to get there. We still haven't figured out how to convert wind energy into powering vehicles."

In his 2008 book, "The First Billion is the Hardest," which was available at the reception in the Science Center's Great Hall after his speech, Pickens outlines what the country must do to win back its energy independence. Pickens also pursues a wide range of other business interests, ranging from water marketing, wind power and ranch development initiatives to his company, Clean Energy. Clean Energy, which went public in 2007, works to advance the use of natural gas as a cleaner-burning and more cost-effective transportation fuel alternative to gasoline and diesel.

Pickens graduated with a degree in geology from Oklahoma A&M (now Oklahoma State University) in 1951. He has always been a generous philanthropist, donating more than \$600 million

through his lifetime.

The T. Boone Pickens Foundation is focused on improving lives through grants supporting things such as educational programs, medical research and conservation and wildlife initiatives.

The recipient of dozens of major awards, Pickens received the 2006 Horatio Alger Award from The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans Inc. The award honors those who overcome adversity and humble beginnings to achieve success.

Although offered an honorarium by the Contact Committee, Pickens donated the money to charity. As a sprightly, elderly man, he still plans to continue his self-funded plan and push for America's self-contained energy use.

### Student Body

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opinions. "If other EC members disagree with me, there are 10 other votes to do so," he said.

Hoffman also responded to the claim that he ran two different campaigns in gaining the votes of undergraduates and law students, saying the EC has obligations to both sides of campus. "It's not an 'us versus them' situation," he said. "I care about the university as a whole."

He then spoke about sexual assault in relation to the honor system, asserting that it is an act that goes against the community's trust. But he emphasized that it is a sensitive issue that must be treated with care. He explained that the Student-Faculty Hearing Board (SFHB) was created by the EC for this purpose.

Much of the subsequent dis-

ussion focused on sexual assault and the SFHB. Several students expressed concern that the function of the SFHB is confusing, or that sexual assault should be considered an honor violation and fall under the jurisdiction of the EC.

Former EC president Rich Cleary said that the EC's procedure for honor investigations is not designed for the sensitive nature of sexual assault, while the SFHB can better dedicate itself to protecting these cases.

Hoffman added that the SFHB allows faculty members to be involved in these cases, and it avoids the possibility of having a sexual assault case go to an open hearing, which could happen if the EC handled these cases. Also, the SFHB does not have a single-sanction policy for non-rape cases.

Allison Gionta and Patrick Rowe, students on the SFHB,

stressed that protecting the accusers and the accused in these cases is extremely important and that not every case can be handled in the same way. Gionta did admit, however, that not enough dialogue exists between the SFHB and other groups on campus. The board is in the process of re-evaluating some of their procedures, she said.

Several students who stood up to ask a question still asserted that they do not understand what the SFHB actually does.

Some asked why sexual assault is not mentioned in the White Book, which details the honor system. Cleary said the White Book must be kept open-ended since the honor system can be redefined by later generations of students. He also said it is important to distinguish between the White Book and the Student Handbook, which includes more far-reaching aspects of student

life.

Senior Chris Martin asked if the single-sanction policy should perhaps be reconsidered for the entire honor system.

Hoffman said he is committed to this policy, believing it makes the university's system one of the most successful honor systems in the country.

"No breach of the community's trust is too small to be ignored," he said. "That's our stand."

Jordan Wilson, Class of 2011 EC representative, said he is not opposed to a student body vote on the single-sanction policy, but the other EC members expressed their support for keeping the policy.

As for why the SFHB does not have the same policy, Dean Dawn Watkins came forward to say that fewer cases would be reported or would receive a guilty sentence if expulsion were

the only possible penalty. "The chance of conviction diminishes greatly with single-sanction," she said.

Students also posed suggestions to improve voter turnout and awareness of elections, such as implementing online voting.

EC Vice President Scott Centorino also emphasized personal responsibility in seeking information about EC candidates and elections and making informed decisions.

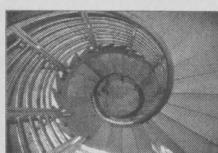
"If we don't tell you our platform, don't vote for us," he said.

Concerned with transparency and the overall effectiveness of the EC, Ives suggested the addition of two non-voting members of the EC. These would include a chair, separate from the president, who would run meetings and a historian to keep track of the votes of each member.

Changes to Traveller were also discussed, such as whether

the five-mile radius rule for Traveller Dispatch should continue. Kenneth Hopkins, Class of 2010 EC representative and Traveller Dispatch Coordinator, pointed out that the EC and Traveller are separate, though he is open to having a conversation involving the entire school community.

Many still long for a clearer definition of the honor system, especially in regard to sexual assault cases, but students in attendance at the meeting welcomed the opportunity to speak openly before the EC about their ideas.



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## Stop the Boy Scouts

*Boy Scouts of America wants to move a 40-k person campout to the area around Goshen. Bad idea.*

By Cody Beauchamp  
OPINIONS EDITOR

Before I write anything else, I should say that I am now and always will be a proud Boy Scout.

My father is an Eagle Scout, the highest rank any Boy Scout can achieve. I am also a proud Eagle Scout, as is my little brother.

Between the three of us, we have spent literally thousands of nights camping, hiked hundreds of miles and spent years being active in the Scouts.

Between the three of us, we have also attended six Boy Scout National Jamborees - my father in 1973, 2001, and 2005. I went with him in 2001, and my brother joined both of us in 2005.

So, to put it simply, Scouting and attending the quadrennial Scout Jamborees run deep in my family.

The two Jamborees I attended were, without doubt, highlights of my time as a Scout, surpassed only by those last few months when I finally earned my Eagle Scout rank.

Why am I saying all this? Because I feel the need to establish some credibility before I write the following - the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is about to make a horrible decision concerning their Jamborees.

In case you have no idea what a Jamboree is, other than a funny, dorky sounding word, allow me to fill you in.

Every four years since 1937, the Boy Scouts of America have held a giant gathering and campout for thousands of Scouts. And when I say giant, I mean giant.

The last Jamboree was held in 2005 on the grounds of Ft. A.P. Hill, near Bowling Green, Va.

The official attendance count from the BSA is 37,500 Scouts and Scouters (meaning, usually, fathers who are adult leaders).

But I suspect that number does not include the thousands of staffers for that Jamboree, who did everything from teach merit badges to run what was essentially a temporary city.

Imagine if you will a tent city that springs up basically overnight - roughly 40,000 people, all camping on the same few hundred acres, all staying there for about two weeks.

The Jamboree is essentially a fully developed city. Each one has a hospital and clinic system which can treat everything from a 14 year-old with a hiking blister to a 50 year-old adult leader going in cardiac arrest.

Each one has a police force. No kidding. There is also a public transportation system, a network of buses that transports thousands of Scouts over hundreds of miles of routes from one end of the camp to the other, every day.

What's amazing is that, in my experience, the buses were more reliable than, say, the London Tube or the DC Metro ever have been.

There are fire stations with fully operational engines - not just Scouts forming bucket chains.

There are sanitation systems that run dozens of garbage trucks that have to deal with tons of waste everyday.

There are temporary telephone networks. There are temporary radio stations and newspapers. There is a catering staff that has to feed thousands of staffers, in dozens of mess halls.

There is an opening and a closing arena show for the entire Jamboree that employs dozens of professional bands and acts, and the closing show's fireworks display is one of the best I've ever seen.

It is a huge deal, and here's what's troubling - for its 2013 Jamboree, the BSA wants to move the event to their Goshen Scout Reservation here in Rockbridge County.

Right now, this is the single most ludicrous idea I've ever heard. The Boy Scouts want to hold a massive multi-week camp that requires extremely complex logistics at a camp in the Goshen area.

Have you been to Goshen lately? That area cannot support the National Jamboree as it is.

Most of the roads in that area of Rockbridge County are one-lane each way. They are poor quality on top of that, with tons of blind corners and almost no shoulders. There are steep cliffs next to most of the roads, falling off into the Maury.

Are you telling me that the thousands of

shuttles that will transport roughly 40,000 Scouts to the Jamboree site can safely use those roads? What about the hundreds of delivery trucks that will have to make daily trips to transport tons of food? What about the other hundreds of trucks hauling off 40,000 people's tons of waste?

Or think about the electric aspect of things. Even though Scouts camp without electricity in their sites, there are hundreds of aspects of a Jamboree that require an electric grid.

The tons of food distributed on a daily basis have to be refrigerated. The multiple fully functioning hospitals and clinics have to have power, as do the computers in the command tents that coordinate the buses, sanitation crews, security, etc.

And those are just the few things I can think of off the top of my head. There are

environment. Take it from me, someone who has spent hundreds of nights camping in all kinds of terrain and conditions.

It is impossible to truly camp without leaving some kind of trace, some kind of footprint. It is just as impossible for 40,000 people to camp without significantly changing that area.

Right now that's not a problem the Jamboree has - it's located on a military base.

The military exercises and training activities that makes up Fort A.P. Hill's non-Jamboree schedule impact the environment far more than the Jamboree does.

But it's different for Goshen. Drop 40,000 people down there for a week, and the area will never look the same afterwards.

If this happens, the last W&L students who will be able to enjoy beautiful, unique

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doubtless hundreds of other areas that require electricity - are you telling me the utilities network in the Rockbridge County countryside can handle that kind of demand as is? Not a chance.

And then there's the massive overhaul for the water networks in the area - 40,000 people showering, cooking and cleaning every day requires a lot of water.

My point is this - right now, the area and towns around Goshen do not have the infrastructure to handle the National Jamboree.

Unlike its current location - the Army base at Fort A.P. Hill - the logistical demands of getting 40,000 people in the same area cannot be met by our neck of the woods.

This is precisely why this is a bad idea, both for the Scouts and more importantly for anyone who cares about the Goshen area or Rockbridge County.

A group protesting the Boy Scouts' decision - the Friends of the Maury - has pointed out, quite correctly, that most of the costs for overhauling the Goshen area will be shouldered by Virginians and more specifically the good people of Rockbridge County.

We as W&L students don't really have to worry about that aspect of this whole ordeal. Except for the few of us who are Rockbridge born-and-bred (which I'm not), our tax dollars won't be going to pay for anything.

But just because we aren't going to feel the effects of the Jamboree in our taxes doesn't mean we won't be affected.

Most W&L students are only passing through Rockbridge. But for the four years we're here, we enjoy Goshen and the Maury as much as any native. We, like the permanent residents of this county, love and benefit from this wonderful area of the river.

If we fail to voice our displeasure with the BSA's decision, we might be the last generation of students that are truly able to enjoy Goshen.

The reason is because the type of extreme overhaul the Jamboree will require will almost certainly destroy Goshen as we know it. This part of the Maury will be irreparably changed. I'd bet my Eagle badge on it.

There is no way on God's green earth that you can infuse 40,000 people into the Rockbridge County countryside without millions of dollars worth of new and improved roads. These roads will take up more space, and I don't see any way they can be constructed without severely damaging the fragile ecosystem around here.

There's also no way you can convince me that having 40,000 teenagers suddenly living so close to the Maury won't ruin it. Boy Scouts aim to be environmentally friendly, yes, but the thing about being a Scout is that it's a learning process.

Even the best Boy Scouts don't camp without leaving some kind of trace, without in some small way placing stress upon the

Goshen will be the students here spring 2013. After that, it will never be the same.

So what can we do? How in the heck do you attack the Boy Scouts without looking completely ridiculous? They're *Boy Scouts* for crying out loud!

The problem isn't the Scouts - like I've said, it's a phenomenal experience, and an organization I'm proud to have been in.

The problem is, rather, the location. The BSA simply didn't pick a good one.

Luckily, there is still time for all of us and all of the residents of Rockbridge County to let them know that.

I'm willing to bet that if the considerable brain power W&L has housed in its ecology, environmental studies, and other science classes turned their attention towards explaining to the public and the Scouts what is negative about this decision, it would have an impact.

I'm willing to bet that if those brilliant law students interested in helping the local communities through free clinics lent their talents toward helping the seemingly inevitable lawsuit against the Scouts, it would have an impact.

I'm willing to bet that if the many law-makers and politicians to whom we as a student body are connected suddenly noticed that this issue needs further public debate, it would have an impact.

I'm especially willing to bet that if enough students joined the Friends of the Maury, we could do a lot to help them save and protect this beautiful area from a well-intentioned but sure-to-be-bad decision.

So check it out. Give [www.savegoshenpass.com](http://www.savegoshenpass.com) a look. Go to the public information meetings they're having. If you're a Boy Scout, or an Eagle Scout, join me in letting the Scouts know Goshen is a horrible site for the Jamboree.

I'm sure I'm not the only person at W&L who went to a Jamboree and realizes what kind of strain that would put on Goshen.

I'm sure I'm not the only person who thinks that before they start significantly changing our beloved countryside, the Scouts needs to defend its decisions.

Unless my personal plans radically change, I won't even be living in Virginia in 2013. My Goshen days will be long gone.

Doesn't matter, for me or for any of us. We have a duty to make sure this beautiful little area isn't destroyed. We have to become interested in this debate.

We have to help our neighbors protect the Maury and Goshen before we graduate, because we love it and benefit from it as much as they do.

We have to be interested in protecting Goshen now, or it may not be there when we come back as alumni.

Now that would be a tragedy.

# arts & life

## Rocking out for Spring Term

*Dead Meadow and The Muggs play in the GAB's outdoor spring concert*



MORGAN HARRIS / Staff Photographer

Two bands, Dead Meadow and The Muggs, played on the Davidson Park basketball court on Friday night at a concert event sponsored by the General Activities Board. Dead Meadow is alternative band from Los Angeles, and The Muggs are a blues-rock group from Detroit. The Lalai Damas, a W&L band and the winner of the the 2008 and 2009 Battle of the Bands, played the opening act.



## Art and wine aren't cheesy

*Wine, cheese and a touch of class made Cheese Louise the event of the week*

By Alden Wicker  
STAFF WRITER

No boxed wines or Kraft singles here. It was all class at Cheese Louise. The Reeves Center showed itself off to students, faculty and other Washington and Lee notables on Wednesday night, at the fifth annual wine and cheese tasting known as Cheese Louise.

The event is meant to showcase the too-often empty Reeves Center, in an effort to encourage students to stop in more often. It's tucked on the far side of the Colonnade, right by Admissions, and boasts two rooms full of Chinese export porcelain—the fourth largest

better?"

Senior Micaela Coffey agreed. "It's a trifecta of good!" she said, before wandering off to sample some more Swiss cheese and crackers.

Katie Gardner, the center's curatorial assistant, hopes students will bring their parents to this quiet corner of campus more often, or just take a moment on their own to see the valuable pieces.

"It's supposed to be a nice tasting and introduction into social society," she said hinting at the value of the event as practice for the real world.

She was pleased with the variety of attendees. "It was an excellent time,"

*"It's a really great crowd. It lets people look at beautiful art and drink fabulous wine and eat great cheese. What could be better?"*

Mallory Ruyman, senior and former Reeves Center employee

collection in the nation. Across the walking path is the Watson Pavilion which houses the Japanese Tearoom.

The porcelain pieces were donated by Euchlin Reeves '27L. But the evening's star was Reeve's wife, Louise Hereshoff, whose oil paintings line the walls. Some of the more traditional pieces have been shown in the Paris salon.

But her later work, in bright flowery tones and impressionistic splashes of color dominates the main room.

Students in sundresses and sport coats nibbled on Virginia goat cheese and crackers while President Ken Ruscio's wife and Provost June Aprille sipped Virginia wine.

"It's a really great crowd," said senior Mallory Ruyman, who used to work at the center. "It lets people look at beautiful art and drink fabulous wine and eat great cheese. What could be

she said.

Free tickets for the event were snatched up weeks in advance, but another Cheese Louise event will be held in the fall.

Chris Rucker is one previously oblivious students who plans to stop by again. "My friends told me about it, said it was a wonderful experience," he said. "I've never been to the Reeves Center before. The first I heard of it was this year."

Hopefully he won't be the only student to take advantage of this little-known jewel box in the future.

The Reeves Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Crossword of the week

Missing Links by Neville L. Fogarty

Head over to [ringtumphcrossword.blogspot.com](http://ringtumphcrossword.blogspot.com) to check your solution to this week's puzzle!

### Across

- 1 Liqueur since 1874, familiarly  
5 Ottoman title  
9 2008 film "Speed"  
14 Company with creams  
15 Garrison Keillor character Guy  
16 It's a 7 on the Mohs scale  
17 SI prefix for 10 times  
18 "Men in Black" co-star, with a little bit missing?  
20 Lorraine Hansberry's was in the sun  
22 Princess' nighttime nemesis  
23 "We \_\_\_ the Champions"  
24 West African capital  
25 Fix one's fly  
26 What hot dogs do?  
27 What 2 may mean online  
28 It may be dominant  
31 Units of force  
32 It's got bonds  
34 Picturiness  
35 "Today" co-host, with a little bit missing?  
39 Lady octopus  
40 The Catholic Church has six for public recitation  
42 Spur on  
45 Religion of many Founding Fathers  
46 Supportive group on campus: abbr.  
47 Not far  
48 Rock outcrop  
49 Pass into law  
51 "Jeopardy!" host Fleming  
52 It follows Nov.  
53 Crust and mantle, for two  
55 "Great Balls of Fire"

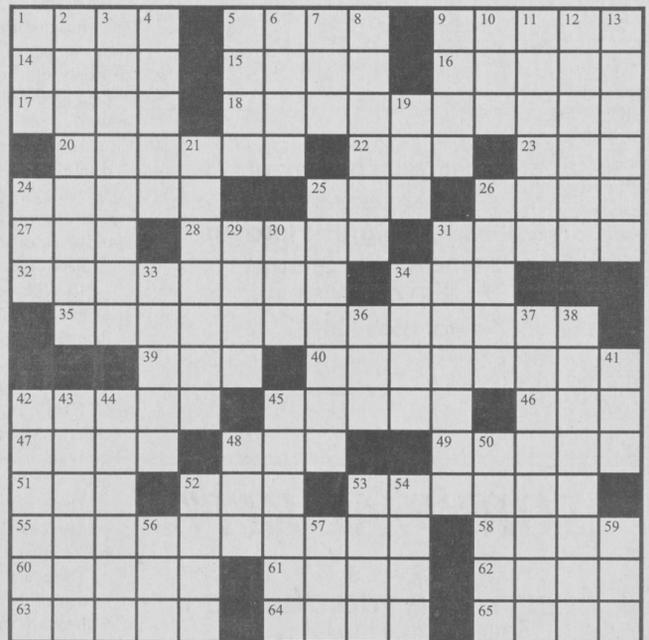
singer, with a little bit missing?

- 58 Restaurant freebie  
60 "Home \_\_\_"  
61 One of three in 1492  
62 Joint for predicting rain  
63 Talkative birds  
64 Info on a ticket  
65 Option at KFC

### Down

- 1 Feeling blue  
2 Make mushy risotto, say  
3 "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" drink  
4 Studio sign  
5 Thesis introduction?  
6 Hired gun  
7 Red "Powerpuff Girls" villain  
8 Axe's target?  
9 Indian title  
10 Word in the first line of "American Pie"  
11 Area west of the Jordan River  
12 For all time, poetically  
13 Cheats at a video game, maybe  
19 "Oh, sure!"  
21 "Get Fuzzy" pooch  
24 It's useful after a bank closes  
25 Nixon's Press Secretary  
26 Traffic cone  
29 Spoil  
30 Pub serving  
31 He's big on libel  
33 Early anesthetic  
34 Newts  
36 "Richard \_\_\_"  
37 It may be stuffed  
38 Started cleaning a fish

- 41 College : GRE :: high school : \_\_\_  
42 Up a creek  
43 Just  
44 Symphony supporter  
45 Museum guide  
48 \_\_\_ Aviv  
50 British stoolpigeons  
52 Turns blue, maybe  
53 Function in a trig class  
54 Russian ruler  
56 It's got uracil  
57 Big name in gaming since 2006  
59 Name that should be inserted in the middle of this puzzle's longest entries





# sports

## Rowing makes comeback



Courtesy of Maggie Fiskow

The rowing club's women's boat races against the University of Richmond on April 25, its first intercollegiate race in over 50 years. The program also held the Albert Sidney-Harry Lee Regatta during Alumni Weekend for the second consecutive year.

### W&L rowing hosts Albert Sidney-Harry Lee Regatta for second straight year

By Megan Daily  
STAFF WRITER

At Washington and Lee's Alumni Weekend out at the pole houses, students and alumni were treated to the Albert Sidney-Harry Lee Regatta for the second consecutive year. The Harry Lee boat won this year's race on May 2.

After a more than fifty-year hiatus, Generals' crew is back. Rowing is W&L's oldest sport; it was the foundation of the athletic program until the 1950s.

The Albert Sidney-Harry Lee Race took place along the same stretch of the Maury River that the club practices and races these days. Back in the day, the race consisted of two six oared barges with coxswains. As they rowed down the river, canal boats would be filled with spectators with the University's colors.

The rowing team continued to function into the 20th century and competed aggressively with many of the nation's top teams. As the rowing program grew in prestige, the Albert Sidney-Harry Lee Race became one of W&L's most anticipated spring athletic events.

However, with the start of the Second World War, the rowing team and the race were discontinued. Af-

ter the conclusion of the war, with the help of rowing alumni, the club was resurrected and reached its zenith. W&L beat some of the best teams in the country including Rutgers, Dartmouth and the University of Pennsylvania. The team, though, was suspended in the wake of the great football cheating scandal of

During the 2006-2007 school year, Parker Sheppard from the Class of 2008 reestablished W&L's rowing club. The program now has three four-man boats as well as other top-notch equipment.

On April 25, 2009, W&L raced the University of Richmond along the James River, thereby ending its

bring rowing back to W&L."

In the 2009-2010 season the club plans to arrange races against William and Mary, Washington College and Richmond once again while adding more rowers to the program.

The present-day lineup for the champion Harry Lee boat included junior co-captain Grant Russell, juniors Fiskow and James Sunderland, first-year Joey Brown, Joanie Hudak, Matt Simpson and Mihaela Petrova. The Albert Sidney boat consisted of O'Leary, junior Samuel Shore, sophomores Jarrett Brotzman and Michele Farquharson, and first-years Nathan Naughton, Laura O'Neil and Lev Raslin.

Farquharson commented on the current state of the program, "While we did not do that great in our first competition [against Richmond], the only way to go from here is up. We are making strides; we have the first all-female boat in our program's history."

The future for the rowing club seems to be promising. It hopes to evolve into a full-fledged Varsity rowing program. W&L has a strong rowing heritage, and Lexington's waterways are a great home for a rowing club.

"It is so great being part of the rowing program."

People say that it is W&L's oldest and newest sport as it was just brought back into action a few years ago. ... We're gathering a fan base, but we hope to see more fans in the future."

Maggie Fiskow, junior coxswain

1953.

Junior Maggie Fiskow spoke of her excitement for the club's revival. "It is so great being part of the rowing program. People say that it is W&L's oldest and newest sport as it was just brought back into action a few years ago. We had two regattas this season. We're gathering a fan base, but we hope to see more fans in the future."

fifty plus-year absence from intercollegiate rowing. The men's A and B teams both placed second while the women's boat came in third in its race. W&L and Richmond have been rowing rivals since the 1890s.

Junior co-captain Denis O'Leary reacted to the club's Richmond race. "It's hard when you are racing full Varsity programs. ... [But] I think the race was an exceptional milestone to

### Profiles in Leadership: Aisha Davis

President, Multicultural Student Association; President, Order of Omega; Chaplain, Tau Omega Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; Residential Life Staff Member (Spanish House)



**What energizes you about taking on the responsibilities of campus leadership?** Taking on the responsibilities of campus leadership gives me the opportunity to help advance the missions of each of the organizations I work with, as well as teach me skills for the future. I tend to stay energized because each group brings a different outlook and appeals to a different aspect of my life.

**What has been one of the most rewarding aspects of leadership at W&L?** Seeing the enjoyment of others when participating in a well-planned event or continuing a conversation based on a topic brought up through one of the organizations is always rewarding because those are times when we as a W&L community express ourselves beyond the walls of a classroom.

**What legacy of leadership do you hope you've left for others at W&L?** I hope that my participation has helped promote diversity of thought and culture in the W&L community. There are a lot million-dollar ideas floating around our campus, and I hope that people are willing to share them, even if they seem to go against the W&L traditions.

**Any words of advice for those who follow?** Nothing is ever a failure if it inspires conversation or encourages thought. Remember that when you may only have three people come to an event, because they may become some of the most powerful people you know.

### Tomorrow's Leadership Seminar: "The Thrill of Political Leadership"

Chris Saxman '87

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## Women's tennis falls in NCAAs

W&L loses to Emory, fails to make NCAA quarters for first time in 10 seasons

By Will Dorrance  
SPORTS EDITOR

After beating Meredith 5-0 in the second round of the NCAA tournament Saturday, the nationally fifth-ranked Washington and Lee women's tennis team fell to third-ranked Emory 5-2 Sunday in the third round.

The Generals end their season at 20-4. It is the first time in 10 years that the team will not advance at least to the NCAA quarterfinals.

In the regular season, Emory had beaten W&L 6-3 on April 17 in Spartanburg, S.C. Entering Sunday though, assistant coach Elliot Datlow said the Generals liked their chances.

"We had a bunch of three-set matches last time we played Emory. We came in [Sunday] pretty confident because we have grown a lot since then."

Senior captain Katie Tabb spoke of the team's preparations for the NCAA tournament. "We had been training really hard with very intense, focused practices the week leading up to this weekend. We also had some individualized work during practice according to what each person needed, and lot of girls on the team did additional sessions with our coaches or each other to help them prepare."

W&L did start off strong yesterday winning two of three doubles matches. In number one doubles, Tabb and junior Lauren Caire edged Emory's Sabra Rogers and Tshema Nash in a tiebreaker to win 9-8 (7-5). At number two, first-years Ann Moris and Trelsie Sadler lost to Zahra Dawson and Lorne McManigle. In the final doubles spot, senior captain Meg Spalitta and first-year Ellen Yeatman topped the Eagles' team of Lindsay Reidenbach and Daniela Schechter 8-2.

The Generals would not have the same success in their singles matches. Yeatman lost to Dawson 7-5, 0-6, 6-1 in number two singles; Sadler fell to Nash 6-2, 6-2 at number three; Snyder had a rough time with Reidenbach in number four singles, losing 6-1, 6-1; and Spalitta was defeated by Schechter 6-3, 6-2 on the fifth line.

The four singles wins handed Emory the 5-2 victory. Tabb and Caire did not finish their first and sixth singles matches, respectively, because Emory was already declared the winner.

Tabb reacted to the team's loss. "It's obviously very disappointing to lose; who enjoys being beaten? But I do think that we should also be very proud."

Although Datlow was also disappointed with the result, he commended his players' efforts. "The coaches were very pleased with the way we fought, but the close matches didn't go our way."

Against Meredith on Saturday, the Generals did not face too many problems. At number one doubles, Tabb and Caire beat Meredith's Morgan Martin and Kathryn Maples 8-5 in the closest match-up of the day. The rest of the Generals' day proved to be even easier as Morris and Sadler defeated Brooke Baird and Ashley Pearsall 8-1 while first-year Ellen Yeatman and senior captain Meg Spalitta topped Molly Parks and Caitlin Dillon 8-3 in second and third doubles, respectively.

In singles action, Sadler rolled to a 6-1, 6-1 win over Maples in the three spot, and Spalitta had little trouble with Dillon at number five, winning 6-0, 6-1 for the team victory. Numbers one, two, four and six singles did not finish their matches because the Generals had already reached the necessary five points to claim the win.

While the team's season is over, Tabb and Yeatman qualified for singles and Tabb and Caire will play doubles at the NCAA individual championships May 22-24 in Lawrenceville, Ga.

Datlow looked back on his first year with W&L. "I loved it. I thought it was a great year. Every single member grew as a player and an individual. It was a lot of fun."

Saturday's Score	Sunday's Score
W&L 5	W&L 2
Meredith 0	Emory 5

# sports



## ondeck

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Baseball			NCAA Regionals TBA				
Golf			at NCAA Championships TBA				
Women's Tennis							
Men's Track			at BC Last Chance 12 p.m.				
Women's Track			at BC Last Chance 12 p.m.				

## in the numbers

### 34

The age of recently named Arizona Diamondbacks manager A.J. Hinch. The youngest current MLB manager, Hinch was hired Friday after the Diamondbacks fired Bob Melvin, who led the team to a 12-17 start. The previous youngest manager was the Nationals' 40-year-old Manny Acta.

### 17

The number of strikeouts by San Diego State junior pitcher Stephen Strasburg in his no-hitter Friday over Air Force in what will probably be his last collegiate home start. He is expected to be drafted number one overall by the Washington Nationals in June's First-Year Player Draft. The Nationals acting general manager Mike Rizzo and scouting director Dana Brown were in attendance.

## soapbox

*"Brett would have to be mentally ready to go play, physically ready to go play and want to go play, and I'm not sure all three of those things are there right now."*

Quarterback Brett Favre's agent Bus Cook in response to reports that Favre was considering signing with the Minnesota Vikings. Early last week reports surfaced that Vikings head coach Brad Childress planned to meet with Favre at his home. Yahoo! Sports reported Thursday that Favre informed Childress of his plans to remain retired. But then on Friday, ESPN's Jeremy Schaap reported that X-rays of Favre's throwing shoulder had been sent to the Vikings for an evaluation. Courtesy of espn.com.

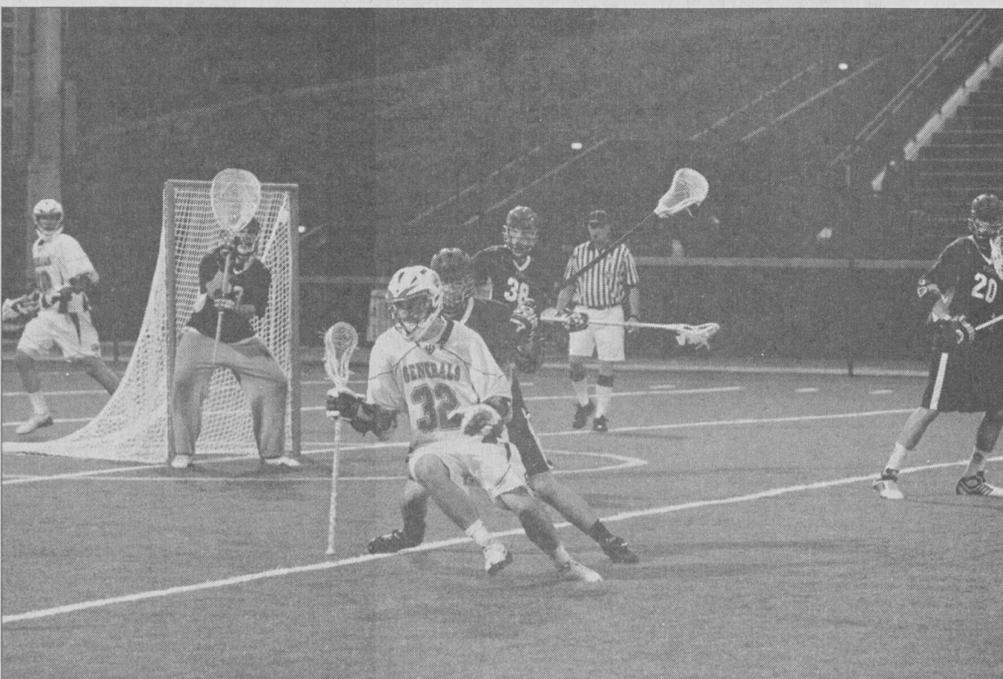
*"Recently, I saw a physician for a personal health issue. He gave me a medication, not a steroid, which he thought was OK to give me. Unfortunately, the medication was banned under our drug policy. Under the policy that mistake is now my responsibility. I have been advised not to say anything more for now. I do want to say one other thing: I've taken and passed about 15 drug tests over the past five seasons."*

Manny Ramirez in his statement issued by the players' union after he was suspended 50 games for violating MLB's drug policy. Courtesy of espn.com.

*"It was a extremely negligent hit, and if anyone else in this league does the same, we all know they will face serious discipline. Part of being great means playing with respect."*

Pittsburgh Penguins' defenseman Sergel Gonchar's agent J.P. Barry expressing his frustration that the NHL did not suspend Alexander Ovechkin for his hit to Gonchar's knee in Game 4 of the Capitals-Penguins playoff series. Gonchar will miss several weeks with the injury. Courtesy of sports.yahoo.com.

## W&L ousted from NCAAs



RYAN ELSEY / Staff Photographer

Will Keigler scored the game-winning goal with nine seconds left in the first overtime Wednesday as the men's lacrosse team beat Farleigh Dickinson-Florham. The Generals then lost to Gettysburg 10-15 Saturday in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

### Men's lacrosse beats FDU-Florham, falls to Gettysburg

By Will Dorrance  
SPORTS EDITOR

The nationally sixth-ranked Washington and Lee men's lacrosse team fell to fifth-ranked Gettysburg 15-10 in the second round of the NCAA tournament Saturday in Gettysburg, Pa.

The Generals end their season at 16-4, tying a program record set in 2000 (16-2) for wins in a season. The Bullets, 14-3, move onto the NCAA quarterfinals, where they will play Denison on Wednesday.

*"I'm going to miss this team, but it was a good ride."*

#### Seth Fishman, senior attackman

Just four minutes into the game, W&L was tied with Gettysburg 2-2, but then the Bullets went on a 5-0 run, including three goals from junior attackman Josh Reichert. At intermission, the Generals were down 9-4.

W&L came out of the break strong, scoring five of the third quarter's first six goals to cut the Bullets' lead to one. But Gettysburg scored with just four seconds left in the third period to go up by two. The Bullets dominated the final frame, outscoring the Generals 4-1 to preserve the 15-10 victory.

Senior attackman Seth Fishman scored three times in his final collegiate game while classmate Tim Skeen tallied two goals and two assists. In his first game back from injury, senior midfielder Harry St. John notched two goals while sophomore attackman Spence Daw scored once and assisted two other goals. Junior attackman Will Keigler added a goal and an assist, and sophomore midfielder Drew Koeneman rounded out the Generals' scoring team with a goal. Senior goalkeeper Connor Locke stopped nine shots in goal for W&L.

Reichert led the Bullets with a career day, scoring five times and helping on three others. Junior midfielder Kyle McGrath also reached the back of the net three times. Senior goalkeeper Zach Furshman made six saves on the day.

Fishman gave credit to his team's opponent. "Gettysburg was a very good team. Their offense played smart and had long sustained possessions and got out on us early in the game. I thought we made a great comeback in the third quarter and our defense really buckled down, but we could not keep the momentum going into the fourth.

"We were banged up and just could not get it done [Saturday]. I really believe we left it all on the field."

To advance to the second round, W&L first beat Farleigh Davidson-Florham (FDU) 6-5 in overtime on Wednesday at

a rainy Wilson Field.

The Dukes boast a very impressive defense, not having surrendered double-digit goals since March 5. Coming into the contest, they were 13-4 on the year. Before Wednesday, FDU's only loss in the last two months was in double overtime to Manhattanville on April 22. The Dukes won their first Middle Athletic Conference title since 1981 by beating Widener.

The Generals entered Wednesday's game just four days off their 15-14 overtime win over nationally first-ranked Roanoke in the ODAC championship. It was the team's first conference title since 2004 and ninth overall.

On Wednesday, the FDU defense was in full force as the Generals tied their lowest scoring output of the season at six goals. Despite the lack of offense, W&L did lead most of the way until the Dukes tied the game at four at the start of the fourth quarter.

The away team then took the lead with just five minutes to go but then granted the Generals a two-man advantage on a double penalty call just twenty seconds later. W&L did not waste the opportunity as Skeen scored with 4:22 to go in regulation. Neither team scored in the last few minutes of the fourth quarter with the score knotted at five.

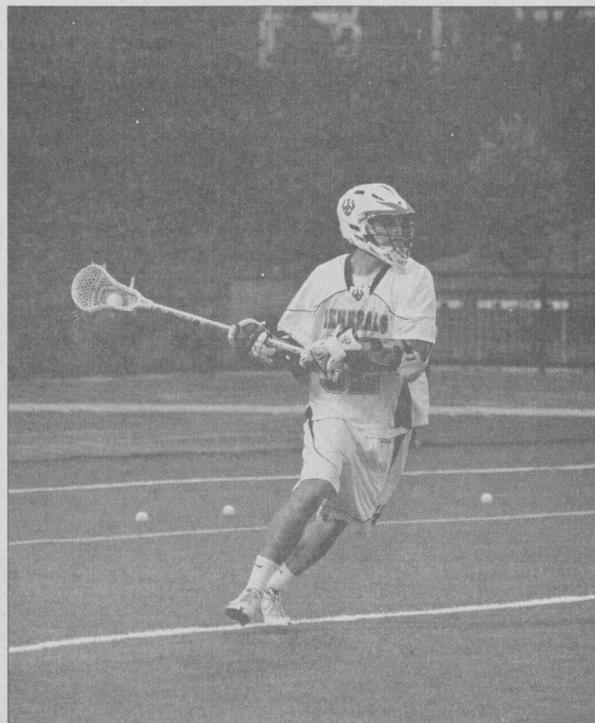
In the extra frame, FDU had the ball with just forty seconds to go but turned it over to the Generals when head coach Gene McCabe called a timeout. Coming out of the huddle, Skeen passed the ball behind the goal to Keigler, who wrapped around the FDU goalkeeper's right side. Keigler scored on the shot with just nine seconds to play in the sudden death overtime period.

The Generals distributed the offensive workload as Keigler, Skeen, Daw, Koeneman, junior midfielder Chris Washington and junior attackman Max Mancuso each scored a goal. Keigler recorded two assists while Daw, Skeen and Washington each pitched in one a piece.

St. John, a 2008 honorable mention All-American, did not play Wednesday because of an illness and a knee injury.

In addition to tying a school record for wins in a season, W&L ends 2009 with the most goals in the program's history (271).

Summing up the season and his career, Fishman said, "Sure, we would have liked to have gone a little bit further, but I could not be more pleased with what we accomplished. I'm going to miss this team, but it was a great ride."



RYAN ELSEY / Staff Photographer

Junior attackman Will Keigler carries the ball behind the goal Wednesday in the Generals' 6-5 overtime win over Farleigh Dickinson-Florham at a rainy Wilson Field. Keigler recorded a goal and two assists Wednesday and a goal and an assist Saturday in the team's 10-15 loss to Gettysburg.