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Weekend Weather

Friday-Mostly cloudy, possible snow, mid 30's
Friday Night-Lows in the 20's
Saturday-Windy, cold, mid 30s.
Saturday Night-Cold, mid 20s.
Sunday-high's in the '30's

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The Ring-tum Phi

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Photo by Betsy Green, *The Ring-tum Phi*

But, is it fattening?

Sophomore Sasha Hartman wrestles her opponent in the muck that was the chocolate pudding wrestling contest Wednesday night. Sponsored by the SAB, this finger-lickin' good time drew a large crowd. Contestants wrestled for free FD tickets. Second prize was free tickets to the Thursday Night band during FD week, George Clinton and Parliament.

1995 FD won't have fireworks

Committee plans special surprise instead to coordinate with later ball

By PETER WEISSMAN
Phi Staff Writer

This year's Fancy Dress Ball will please night owls, disappoint fireworks fans, and surprise everyone.

The ball will be held 30 minutes later than usual, from 9:30-1:30 am, instead of from 9-1 am. It will conclude with a surprise event instead of the traditional fireworks display.

Students had mixed reactions to the changes.

"I like the hour changes because I always feel that 12 o'clock made for a short night," junior Robin King said. "I'll miss the fireworks. I'm a little skeptical about what they're going to come up with [instead]."

"No one gets to the ball until 10:30 anyway," said Senior Frost Bush.

"You're going to see more people in advanced stages of drunkenness because of the late hours," sophomore Christina Petrides said.

FD Steering Committee chairman Joe Frampton said that the 40 members of FD subcommittees decided on the changes for several reasons. For one, students tend to arrive at the ball late.

"It's a shame for [FD] to do all that work, and people only see it for two hours," Frampton said.

"We've decided to start it up at 9:30pm to give everyone a chance to enjoy a nice dinner, and [we've] extended the hours later for those who don't arrive until later," said FD Auditor Kathy Boozer.

The City of Lexington would not allow fireworks at 1:30 am, the ball's new ending time, Boozer said. She said that fireworks are expensive at more than \$3300.

Frampton said that few students see the fireworks and that those who do are scattered around campus.

"We're going to try to do something this year that kind of brings everybody together a little more," Frampton said. "The band is going to end, and we're going to do the deed. [It's] going to be a bigger deal than the fireworks because it's going to be right in [the gym]."

The 88th Annual Fancy Dress Ball will be held March 3. The Bo Thorpe Orchestra will perform in the Warner Center, and another band will play in Doremus Gym. The second group, whose contract is in the mail, will be a very danceable band that plays music the students will like," Frampton said.

"It's not a country band," Boozer said. "People will be excited about that."

The bands and decorations will make for a successful event, Frampton said.

"The committee has worked hard for what I think is going to be a spectacular ball," he said.

As auditor, Boozer has her own expectations. Last year's ball finished \$2000 in the red because bad

weather weakened ticket sales, she said.

"We plan on not having a [financial] loss, and we look forward to strong support from the student body through ticket purchases," Boozer said.

Tentative prices for couples are \$45 for a ticket and \$75 for a memorabilia package of two t-shirts, posters, shot glasses, a new item, and 4 cups, she said.

University Historian Taylor Sanders said that there have been fireworks at virtually every FD since he came to W&L in 1969. They were not part of the ball in 1992 because of budgetary constraints.

Although last year's fireworks may have ended a tradition, many students, including Yabiz Sedghi and Frost Bush, did not see them.

"They were having the fireworks while the band was still playing, which was not a bright idea,"

Sedghi said.

"If the event they have planned measures up, maybe it will be an even better treat," Bush said.

Sophomore Cathy Merritt said that changing FD will not alter its effect on students.

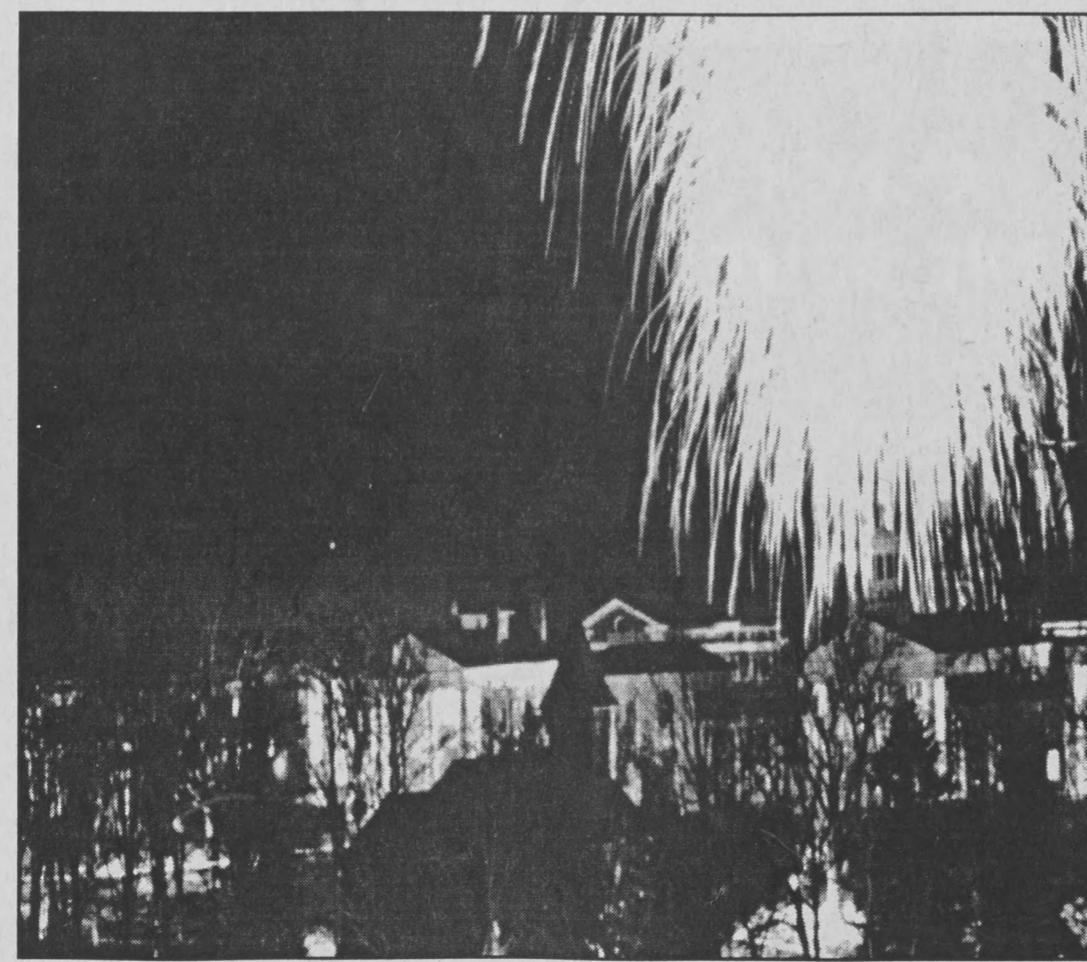
"Whatever they do, people are still going to have fun at Fancy Dress," Merritt said.

Another person happy with the change: Lexington City Manager Jon Ellestad, who approved last year's fireworks request. He said they were set off after 1 am, later than the request had indicated.

"I think it's too much of an imposition on everyone who's sleeping."

How does he feel about a surprise event instead?

"Oh boy. That word 'surprise' worries me. You guys have inventive minds."



File Photo

Expect a surprise at Fancy Dress instead of the traditional fireworks.

B&G to take over fraternity house cleaning

By DAN ODENWALD
Phi Staff Writer

Washington and Lee Buildings and Grounds will not renew its contract with Stonewall Management Services, the fraternity house cleaning service.

The decision was made earlier this year primarily for financial reasons, according to Calvin Elswick, Director of Buildings and Grounds. Elswick's staff decided the business arrangement was no longer cost effective for the University.

University Treasurer Lawrence Broome would not disclose the amount of money that will be saved. However, he did say that the unused funds would help pay for Fraternity Renaissance.

Currently, the cost of Fraternity Renaissance is distributed among each male belonging to a Greek organization in the form of Greek dues. Despite the release of the cleaning service, Greek dues will not be reduced.

Another motivation was the dissatisfaction with the work being done in some fraternity houses, although Elswick pointed out that the work in others was adequate. Also, hiring out independent companies to clean the fraternity houses didn't mesh with Elswick's personal philosophy. He believes that Buildings and Grounds should be responsible for cleaning the houses themselves.

The announcement has caused an uproar in certain segments of the W&L community, especially from some fraternity members.

Fraternity house residents are upset to see some Stonewall employees leave.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Treasurer Matt Mazzucchi said, "Our cleaning lady does a good job and works hard. The brothers in the house have developed a good rapport with her."

Currently, Stonewall cleaning personnel spend four hours in each house. Fraternity members are concerned about the problems B&G might have due to the lack of manpower.

Mazzucchi said, "We are worried that B&G might not spend enough time cleaning. Also we've heard that B&G workers will spend only two hours per day cleaning the house."

Elswick has said he is "studying" hiring more B&G personnel.

Not all members of fraternities are apprehensive about the upcoming switch.

Lambda Chi Alpha President Bob Ferris said, "As long as the house gets cleaned, we have no problems with who does it."

Another cause of concern is wage compensation for the B&G employees. Elswick said that there will be no pay increase for the added responsibilities.

B&G workers are well compensated

for the work they do, according to Elswick. He added their wages were similar to the national average for all cleaning personnel.

Another concern for fraternity members was the issue of fines. B&G regularly fines fraternities for damages and failure to clean after parties. Occasionally, fraternity residents neglect to sufficiently clean their party rooms. Often, the cleaning ladies will clean before B&G crews arrive and assess fines. Some fraternity members believe fines will skyrocket when B&G takes over the cleaning.

Mazzucchi said, "We avoid fines by staying in touch with our cleaning lady and working closely with her. With B&G, you'll see a lot more fines."

Jeffrey Laborde, the President of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, agreed.

"We've had a problem with B&G fining us in the past," Laborde said. He was concerned with the possibility that excessive fining would once again present a problem.

Elswick readily agrees that problems will be encountered in working out the new arrangement.

"Transporting the crews to the fraternity houses presents a problem," said Elswick.

Additionally, formulating schedules and determining the cleaning needs of each fraternity house also present challenges for B&G.

Despite these obstacles, Elswick is confident that B&G will perform well.

"You will see a difference in our service level. We want to maintain the quality level of service that students are used to," said Elswick.

Director of Stonewall Management Services Billy Hall was disappointed with the decision, but was not angry.

"The decision was purely economic. W&L said it had nothing to do with our performance or our price," said Hall.

Hall also said the decision will not affect community relations with W&L. In fact, he hopes to have an opportunity to work with the University again.

Hall also pointed out the six ladies who currently clean the houses will not lose their jobs when the contract with W&L expires. He intends to offer them positions elsewhere.

Fraternity house mothers generally agree they will regret to see their cleaning ladies leave, but they have no problems with B&G.

Kappa Sigma house mother Brame Spessard said, "We feel sorry for the ladies who will lose their jobs."

Despite concerns that B&G will not perform up to par, Elswick is confident that they will come through.

"We are excited about taking on the new responsibilities and will support the fraternities at quality level," Elswick.

B&G workers are well compensated

Hazing policy revised

By CINDY YOUNG
Phi Staff Writer

In just over two months, the doors to Greek life at W&L will officially swing open to the men's pledge classes of 1995.

The tenth Sunday of the Winter term, March 19, stands ahead as the official deadline for initiation. By that time, members of each fraternity pledge class will have become active brothers.

In the meantime, however, pledging continues.

Pledging, according to Leroy "Buddy" Atkins, Dean of Greek Affairs, is a time for pledges to become fully accustomed to each other and the world of Greek life.

In Atkins' words, each brother ought to "develop a positive pledge program that makes [his] pledge into a good fraternity brother and not just a good pledge."

An immediate concern involving pledging is the possibility of hazing.

A practical definition of hazing is any activity, required by a fraternity, that poses a risk to the health, and sometimes even to the life, of a pledge.

Strictly prohibited by university policy as well as Virginia state law, hazing may still to some extent occur within the school's Greek system.

Atkins feels that the pattern of hazing follows a cycle at W&L.

"It doesn't happen very often," Atkins explained. "In the last year or so hazing was [relatively] bad, but it is getting better."

The pledging process will be not only "better" but "right." Atkins added, if complaints about any form of hazing are responded to and investigated thoroughly.

The Judicial Board of the Interfraternity Council is responsible for investigating and, if necessary, punishing any such activity.

As recently as last year, the IFC acted on this authority, finding Phi

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W&Life

Exercise options abound at W&L

By ANNE ALVORD
Phi Staff Writer

Now that several weeks have passed since New Year's, many of those who resolved to get fit in 1995 find themselves losing enthusiasm for their exer-



Photo by Betsy Green

Sophomore Lin Fitzhenagen gets his muscles in shape in the Doremus gym weight room.

cise regimen.

According to Patty Colliton, one of W&L's assistant athletic trainers, there are many benefits to be gained from a regular fitness program. The first major benefit is improved cardiovascular health. Improvements in cardiovascular health can be especially significant for men. A regular fitness program can also help maintain a healthy body weight, and increase strength, as well as be a tremendous stress management technique. Regular fitness can also help women prevent osteoporosis.

The activities W&L students participate in vary greatly, from those who have daily aerobic work-outs, to those who take P.E., to those who participate in intercollegiate and club athletics. Weights, intramural aerobics, and pick-up basketball seem to be among the most popular activities, according to Colliton.

Senior Carrie Brown, who works out for an hour a day, six days a week, says "I'd like to think I work out the same as [other students], but I always see the same people..." Many other students, however, seem to think that they lag behind their peers in the fitness game. Because many students don't like others to know they exercise, it is difficult for one to compare his or her own fitness program to that

of others.

The reasons students exercise are as varied as the exercises they enjoy. For some, it is appearance. Colliton says, "At this point, [students exercise] to look good. There are a lot of tight-dress formalists out there." Another significant motivation for exercise is the feeling of achievement it can produce. This is especially true of exercises such as weight-training, where a person can actually track his or her progress. In addition, many students find that exercising is a great method of relaxation. To some, exercise is just something they enjoy.

There are many facilities available to W&L students interested in working out, both on and off campus. Fitness options offered on campus include the Gaines Hall exercise room, which has four exercise bikes, three stair climbers, free weights, a rowing machine, Nautilus equipment, and a cross-country ski machine. Doremus Gymnasium also offers a plethora of fitness options. The weight room offers free weights, weight machines, and three exercise bikes. There are also twelve racquetball/squash courts, two gyms, and two pools.

There is some criticism of the resources available on campus. Senior Lisa Florentine, who has her own stepmother at home, says that there are not

enough exercise facilities provided by the school. Brown agrees, saying, "There aren't enough facilities for the number of people who [work out]. For the cost of the school, we should have a larger facility." Brown admits, however, that "It's improved since we got the stair climbers." Many students agree with Colliton who says, "It would always be nice to have more room, [but] for the size of the school, and being Division III, it's pretty good." She admits, however, that the weight room does get crowded. While certainly more facilities could be useful, most students agree there's not a big problem most times of the day. The exercise facilities seem to be most crowded around 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

For those who find the on-campus facilities inadequate to their needs, Lexington has two health clubs. The Lexington Fitness Center has been serving the Lexington community for the past five years. About twenty percent of the members of Lexington Fitness are W&L students. Ray Cohen, owner of the center, says that the benefits of Lexington Fitness come from the philosophy of their family-owned and operated club, which is to serve and be a part of the Lexington community. Many of their programs are geared for beginners, and the staff discourages

competitive mentalities. "We see our job as helping [people] improve their lives...if you choose to become a member, we pride ourselves on excellent service," says Cohen. Rates for membership at the Lexington Fitness Center range from \$30 to \$40 per month, depending on the length of membership, but many special discounts are available. Anyone interested in these discounts may call for information.

Omega Fitness Center has joined Lexington's fitness scene since the new year. According to manager and trainer Amy Puyear, Omega's staff is "confident that we have great equipment and a great facility." According to Puyear, Omega has already received a great deal of student interest. One student said she wanted to join because she couldn't work out when she wanted on campus. The enrollment fee is waived for all W&L students, and a free screening by the staff doctor is offered with every enrollment. Memberships start at approximately \$35 per month.

Winter can put a damper on an outdoor fitness program. However, winter can also be a great time to try a new activity. Some options are running on the track in the gym, inter murals, and sports equipment which can be checked out from the gym. There are also some great exercises that are available only in the winter, including cross-country

skiing. Anyone interested in cross-country skiing should contact the Outing Club for information. W&L also offers several winter club sports. These are men's and women's fencing, men's ice hockey, men's racquetball, men's and women's downhill skiing, men's squash, and men's volleyball. Club sports director Joe Lyles is also looking for women interested in forming women's racquetball and squash teams. Any students interested in any of the club sports should contact Lyles for information.

Colliton offers special advice for specific fitness goals. For those interested in weight loss, she says that low to moderate exercise, coupled with a balanced diet, is the best solution. For those who want to maintain their weight and increase muscle tone, Colliton recommends aerobic exercise and strength training to add tone and firmness. To live up a dull work out, cross-training is the best remedy. "Adding another exercise to your program or bringing a friend along can help keep you from losing interest," Colliton advises. For those who would like to start working out, or who would like to get back to working out, Colliton recommends starting slowly. Colliton urges those who have never worked out before to see a physician for a check-up before starting.

Solid, free-spirited *Legends of the Fall* meanders through the male psyche



By KIRK SONG
Phi Movie Reviewer

Legends of the Fall — ★★★

Legends of the Fall is a most unusual type of movie, a sort of tale of masculine emotion, in the tradition of *Lawrence of Arabia*.

It fearlessly treads on very dangerous ground, trying to probe the male psyche without scaring men away by being "touchy-feely."

The story opens on a Montana farm at the turn of the century. Anthony Hopkins portrays Col. William Ludlow, who has raised his three sons far from the cares of the world, and also far from his separated wife.

The eldest son is the responsible one, Alfred (Aidan Quinn), followed by the long-haired rebel, Tristan (Brad Pitt), and the young visionary, Samuel (Henry Thomas, of *E.T.* fame).

Samuel returns from Harvard with a beautiful young fiancée, Susanna Fincannon (newcomer Julia Ormond); she immediately becomes an object of desire for Samuel's brothers as well.

But Samuel has brought back from the East more than a fiancée; he also has all the news of the war in Europe and a youth's desire to crusade for a good cause.

So, against his father's wishes, he goes overseas to fight the Germans, pulling along his two brothers with him.

He is shot to death right before Tristan's eyes.

After being discharged, Alfred asks Susanna to marry him, and she very reluctantly agrees; however, when Tristan returns home, he seduces her, then proceeds to leave Montana, roaming the world, in search of adventure and himself.

After many years, he writes that their love is dead and she should stop waiting for his return; so, she returns to almost-cuckolded Alfred, and they marry.

Alfred continues to rise in the business community, and eventually becomes a Congressman.

When Tristan finally returns home, he marries the young daughter of the farmhand, settles down and raises a family, maintaining the farm by running liquor across the border of Canada.

This runs him afoul of the local mob, who proceed to kill his new bride (albeit accidentally).

There follows a few rounds of vindictive killings on both sides, and a great deal of soul-searching by everyone. In the midst of it all, Susanna commits suicide.

Finally, the enfeebled Col. William Ludlow and the distant Alfred come together to save

Tristan from the mob, thereby reuniting the rent family.

What really stands out in this film is the excellent character development by all the leading actors.

Brad Pitt does a marvelous job of keeping Tristan very human, not allowing him to become a stereotypical rebel relishing in his machismo.

With similar depth Julia Ormond and Aidan Quinn present all the subtlety that "boring" people are full of.

Strangely enough, considering his stature as an actor, Anthony Hopkins has the most difficult time.

In part this is because his character suffers a stroke which paralyzes part of his face and body, but it is so fake that he looks laughable instead of fatherly for a large part of the movie.

The directing from Edward Zwick is decent, despite occasional, severe lapses into melodrama. He wisely utilizes the amazing Montana landscape whenever possible.

Certainly the film's greatest weakness must be the plot, which is tedious, winding, and slightly aimless; then again — not to get too philosophical or anything — that is what life is really like, after all. Because of this we focus more on the characters and their interactions than we do the events in their lives.

The total effect of the film is to leave us slightly saddened, but asking all sorts of questions about our nature. Considering that W&L is a bastion of the Establishment will make the tension between the surviving sons very interesting and relevant.

On the one hand is Alfred, who is a paragon of duty and conformity but also of pent-up resentment. Opposing him is the wild, uncontrollable, irresistible Tristan, a sort of Marlon Brando meets the Marlboro Man meets Ernest Hemingway.

The conflict between the two is handled well in its own right, but made even more interesting by the memory of young Samuel and the future of young Samuel's wife-to-be Susanna.

The movie seems to come down on the side of Tristan's virility, independence, and other Nietzschean qualities. Though Alfred has the money and the power of government, it is Tristan who has the affections of the film's women and takes life for all he can get. After much wandering, Tristan is still able to rediscover his home, stability and family.

At any rate, it will be a troubling movie for C-School majors and others ready to jump on the fast-track to peaceful, affluent anonymity, and an uplifting movie for the free spirits and beatniks who populate Payne and Newcomb.

Legends of the Fall has excellent acting in all the main roles and is filmed warmly and solidly, reminiscent of *Chariots of Fire*.

Despite the melodrama, it is a grand, sweeping, meandering film which will not satisfy a thirst for action or adventure, but might make you wonder why you've got that thirst. (Still, what is the meaning of the title?)

Rating Scale

★★★★★ - Go buy this as soon as it comes out on video. It is an instant classic. "You'll laugh; you'll cry; and maybe, just maybe, you'll learn something about yourself."

★★★ - Go see this film now, while it's still on the big screen. It's worth a few Oscar nominations and the seven bucks you'll pay if you see it outside Lexington. Overall, "Better than Cats!"

★★ - Okay, so there have been better films. Nevertheless, it is a good example of its genre, and you should probably see it on videotape. Still, probably "Better than Cats!"

★ - It happens to be on HBO, and you're blowing off tomorrow's reading. Although your time would probably be better served on your education, it's free and you're bored, so go ahead and watch it.

Ø - Even if it's free and your best friend said he never laughed harder, trust me, this one sucks. Don't waste your time, or at least don't waste it on this. (There's always MTV.)

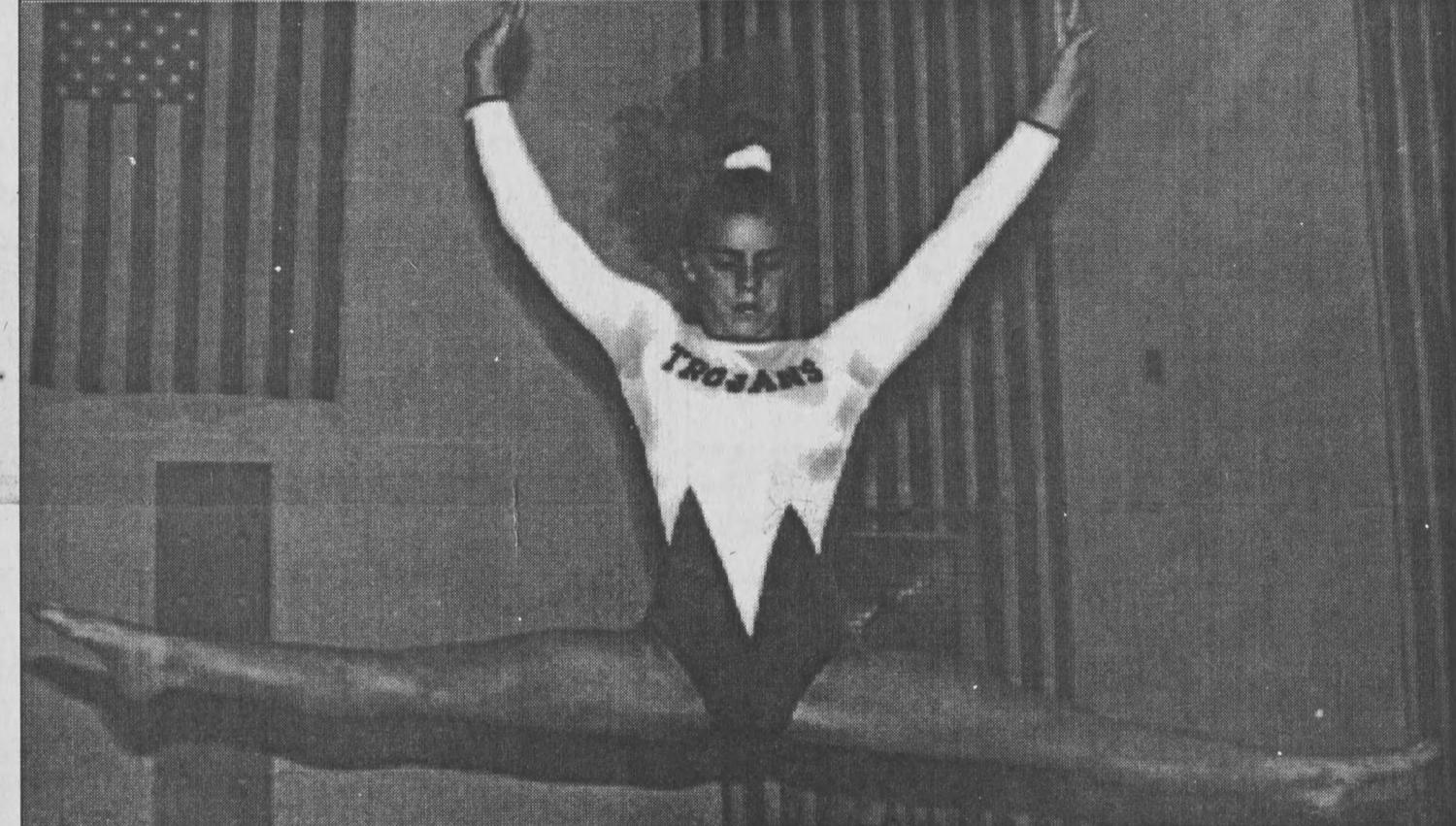


Photo provided by Holly Layman

Sophomore Holly Layman does her routine on the balance beam during a high school competition. The balance beam and the uneven bars are Layman's favorite events.

Gymnast Layman balances past and future dreams

By RACHELLE ROWE
Phi Staff Writer

Did you know that a major competitor and star of the United States Gymnastics Federation goes to our school? With her modesty, you probably didn't.

Sophomore Holly Layman, a mix of ambition and friendliness, started gymnastics at age six.

Layman's best friend, a gymnast since age three, sparked her interest. After noticing the strength and flexibility Layman had attained at such an early age, her sister suggested it might be a good sport for her.

At age eight, Layman was competing in and winning competitions at the thirteen and older age level.

At age nine, Layman and her parents faced a difficult decision. She was asked to move

away from her home to live with coaches and other elite gymnasts to train for the Olympics. At such an early age, Layman was too young to understand the implications of this decision.

Her father knew about the inescapable unhappiness so many young athletes are faced with after having their childhood taken away from them at such an early age. Many never recover to lead a normal life.

Layman's father thought it best for his daughter to live as normal a childhood as possible. Although she feels this was the right decision, she still will always wonder what life might have been like had she chosen that path.

Layman won an abundance of awards competing. She won her individual events, she won the all-arounds, and she not only competed in the compulsory division but also the optional. Most gymnasts usually compete in one or the other because two 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. days in a row is too tiring. She did both and still won.

In high school Layman continued to compete with her USGA team for at least five hours a day, practiced and competed for her high school team, played for the tennis team and excelled in advanced placement classes at her public high school.

Layman got home at 10 p.m. and did her homework before her early morning practices. Sleep was not a priority or much less an option. Layman says this sleep deprivation prepared her for college. Talking with Holly Layman would give the President an inferiority complex.

Amazingly, Layman gave up gymnastics last year when she came to W&L. She gave it up to become a doctor, another dream of hers.

Most importantly, Layman is happy. That's not to say she doesn't miss gymnastics. Last year was the first time in her life, since age five, that she didn't spend at least five hours a day with gymnastics.

If you're interested, you might try and sneak a peek in Howe Hall one night when Layman relieves stress through her acro-

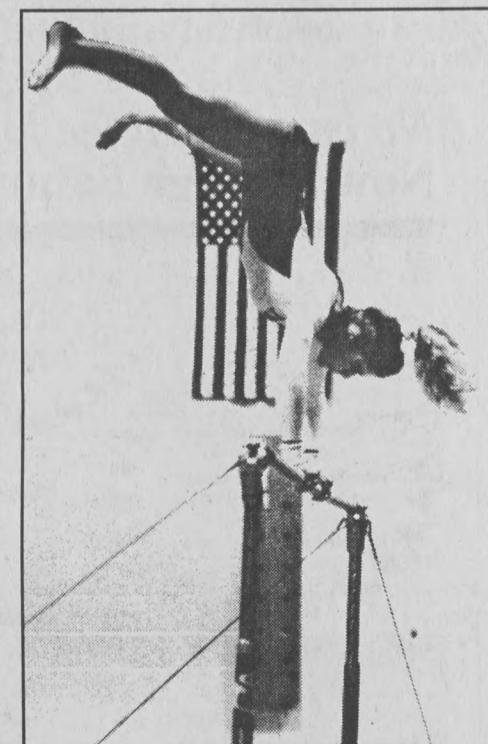


Photo provided by Holly Layman

Layman illustrates her strength and flexibility during an uneven bars routine.

batic study breaks. I hear Professor Uffelman does front handstands as well.

Layman admits it was tough at times last year. However, the words "fear," "I'm scared" and "I can't" are not allowed in a gymnast's vocabulary. It is a very common trait among gymnasts to be perfectionists, and Layman is. Every minute of her life is mapped out with a purpose and, at the same time, she manages to be down-to-earth.

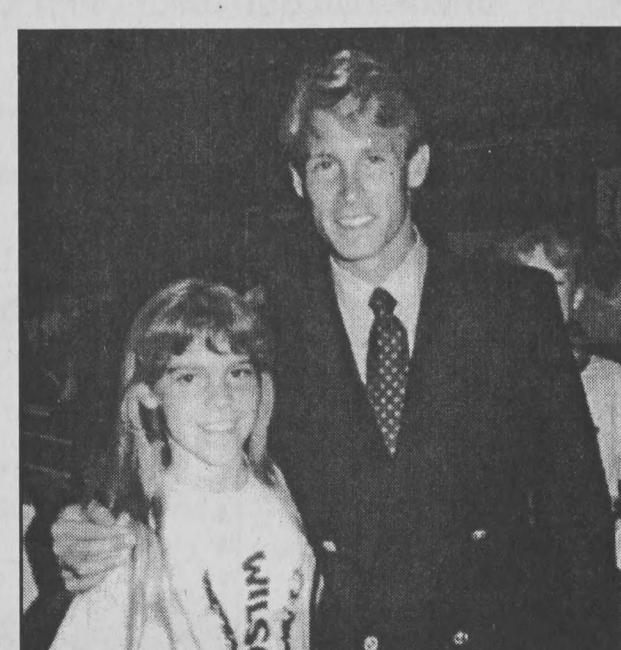


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Nine-year-old Holly Layman gets a hug from Olympic gymnast Bart Connor.

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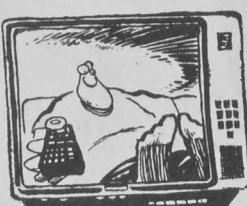
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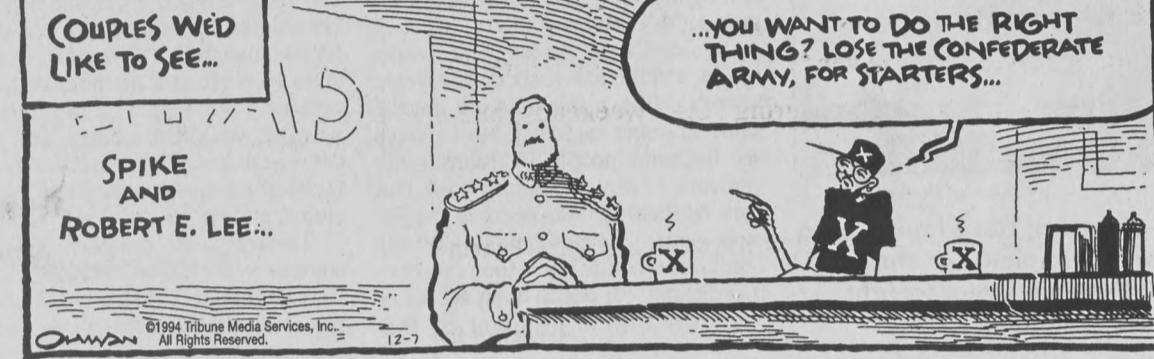
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OPINION

When alcohol becomes a problem...

The Ring-tum Phi has never been a particularly volatile opponent of alcohol. We recognize that, hey, students at Washington and Lee drink. A lot. We have even been known to be somewhat proud of the fact.

Most students at W&L can attest to drunken incidents which they would rather they (and their friends) forget, and the *Phi* staff is certainly not immune to this malady.

Very few colleges, even those who miss the *Princeton Review* alcohol ratings altogether, can boast that they are free of alcohol misuse.

But there comes a time when one must seriously re-evaluate one's opinion of alcohol use and abuse. During a visit to view the police arrest docket recently, some members of *The Ring-tum Phi* happened on the name of one of their fellow students.

Unfortunately, we realize that it is not unusual to find students' names listed next to charges of "Drunk in Public" or "Minor in Possession" or even "Driving Under the Influence." All of these seem to surface during "big" weekends, late at night, and we generally ignore these unless they involve close friends—and we laugh about it.

But someone caught our attention this week, and we won't use the name because we have no desire to drag a W&L student's name through the mud. This student was arrested for DUI at 7:45 p.m. on a Monday. Alone, this would be disturbing.

But we already knew of another incident in which this student had been involved, which was simply too sensationalist and damaging to blazon across the top of the front page of the *Phi*. We turned back the pages to a few weeks before, where the same person had been arrested at 9:20 a.m. on a Thursday for the same offense.

Once, it was disturbing. Twice, it indicates a serious problem. The frightening part is, this is the one who was caught in the act—we all know people who have managed to suffer from alcoholic problems undetected and unbooked.

We can only hope that, when someone is arrested for an alcohol-related offense, that person will take a close look at his or her patterns of alcohol use and recognize that they may have a problem. In this case, it obviously did not happen.

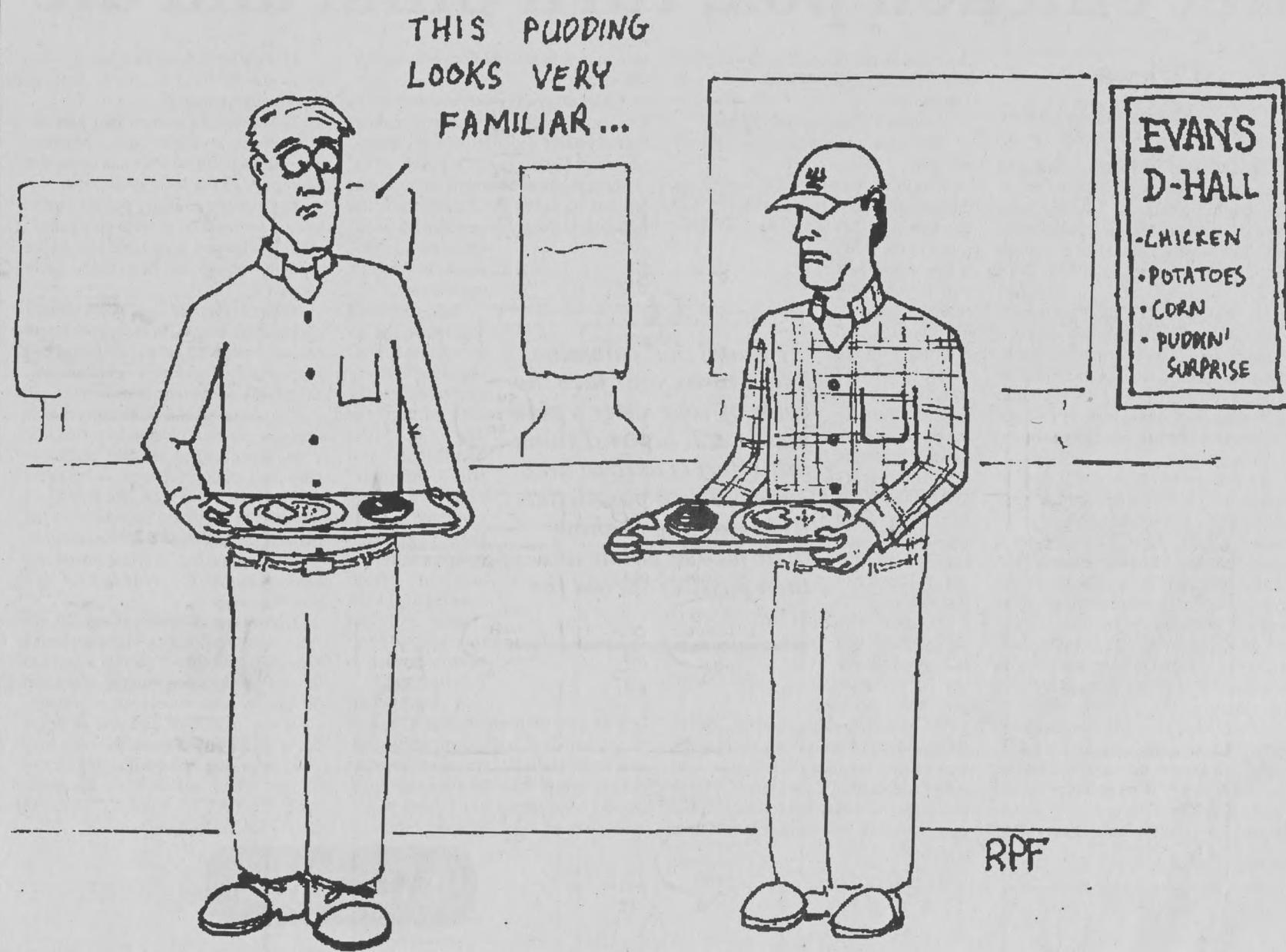
If anyone is reading this, and knows someone to whom similar behavior is common, please try to find a way to help them.

We have no desire to ban alcohol; we can even understand that drunkenness can sometimes be a way to relieve the pressures of academia. But please, don't let it be taken this far.

Quote of the Week

"Why the hell can't we just eat?"

-- A W&L student in Evans Dining Hall during the Founders' Day celebration, obviously not impressed with the festivities



Artichokes inspire zealous living

MELISSA SAWYER,
'97

I ate artichoke hearts out of the can the other night, and they were not as good as the real thing—the ones you take apart piece by piece until you get to the center. There is something in the act of taking the bud apart that makes the eating of an artichoke far more interesting than eating bits of sterile, canned vegetables with a shelf-life longer than my eighteen years. Likewise, I think that it would be far more interesting to cross the Yukon in a dog sled or to sail the Atlantic in a twenty-foot skipper, than to grab the next USAir flight from Roanoke. I learn many things from my little daily adventures, just as I learn patience in the face of anticipation while eating an artichoke heart. My physical trials, though certainly not as fearful as a solo voyage across the ocean, have taught me endurance and independence. How then in a world of canned artichokes and Boeing 747s—in a world of biweekly fraternity parties and pre-paid dining hall meals—can we learn how to survive? We learn because we are human; the little pieces of our days add up

in our minds. We study Adam Smith so that we know why Tide costs more than Brand X at Walmart; likewise, we study our feelings when our friends forget to call, so that we know what it is like to be lonely.

So often students are told that college is not the real world, that we have it easy in everything that we do, and that our successes are simply handed to us on our silver spoons. Yes, we are given syllabi by which we schedule our planners full of date functions and trips to the Bahamas. Can we suppose that the so-called real world will be otherwise?

Perhaps it is naive to think that man establishes completion dates for his goals, but our lives will undoubtedly be a series of important events. Just as we hope to go to Fancy Dress on March 4, so will we expect to have children by age forty. Just as the seniors have planned for their senior party at the

beginning of June, so will we plan for retirement in our mid-sixties.

We will all follow the syllabi of our lives just like we follow our daily planners here at W&L. The ever-critical onlooker might suggest that there are

too many variables in the real world with which we have no experience with here. However, anybody who has ever sat down to take a pop quiz in an early morning politics class, or who has suddenly received a call from home to learn that their very best friend from high school has been in a car crash, is familiar with those variables. And the night a little too short.

For some students more than others, W&L is the real world. There is a surprising subculture here of people who are alien to the ease of college. These are the people who eat the artichoke apart leaf by leaf until they get to the center. These are the people who work part-time jobs to pay for their books, or wear white high-heels in January because they do not own bone colored ones; these are the people who have suffered emotions and made friends who are not afraid to share a bathroom.

Maybe we are stronger than we think when we graduate from W&L. Our experience here is perhaps just the condensed version, the easy-access canned artichoke.

We already know how to set goals and how to reach them. We know how to cry and laugh and love; we know how to win and to lose. Someday, as the cynics say, when the real thing hits us full force in the head, we will already know what the artichoke tastes like, and we will just have to work at getting to its heart.

LETTERS

Lee Chapel no place for sex

To the editor:

I wanted to point out an upcoming event which disturbs me. On January 26, Suzi Landolphi will deliver a commentary entitled "Hot, Sexy, and Safer". I am not disturbed about the topic, but the location of its delivery. I do not think that I am alone in this, but it seems to me that there is something wrong about holding a presentation of

this nature in LEE CHAPEL. There is a dignity and an aura to Lee Chapel that invites such speakers as William F. Buckley Jr., and enables us to hold such serious forums as open trials or Honor system orientations.

Joining, as the publicity says, "America's most outrageous SEXpert in a frank and funny celebration of great sex—with audience participation" (emphasis added) debases such dignity. I feel that

Ms. Landolphi's presentation ought to be moved to a more appropriate location, like Northern Auditorium. I ask the organizers of this event to take this into consideration and please move the location.

I know that if it is insisted upon that this be delivered in Lee Chapel, I will not be present, and I would hope to as that other students not be as well.

Mark Tobias

No qualifier needed for 'Generals'

To the editor:

In the January 13, 1995, issue of the *Phi* a headline at the top of the sports page referred to the "Men's basketball" team, while a headline farther down on the page referred to the "Lady Generals" basketball team. There are no "Lady Generals". There are no "Gentleman Generals". All of W&L's teams are just plain "Generals". Keeping the teams straight without calling them by an inaccurate name will make it harder for your staff when it comes to crafting headlines, but anything else wouldn't be right.

James M. Phemister
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OPINION

Get chicken pox, turn pink, and die

DREAM LAND
Richard Weaver

My first joke of 1995 is: This past week I had chicken pox. Now, laugh. Yes, I am 20 years old. I do not hang around first graders on a regular basis, and I do wash my hands after playing in public playgrounds. And, boy, did I get it.

It all began in class, as all pain does. I sat doing my work when all of a sudden I started to sweat and feel chills, like I do when I see Lynda Carter as Wonder Woman on the FX network. Following the Golden Rule of College Student Health Care, I decided I should go to bed.

This is probably a good time to explain my devotion to my blue electric blanket. My mother bought it for me when I was 10 so I could make it through the harsh Florida winter nights. I used to crank it up whenever the temperature fell below 50 degrees. One morning when my mother tried to wake me up for school, she jumped back when she touched the blanket because it was so hot. I got to sleep in an extra 15 minutes.

Well, getting back to the paragraph before last, I went back to my apartment, got under my electric blanket, and for the next several hours shifted my heat dial from 10 to 1 to 10 to 1 to 10 and then I threw the blanket on the

floor and fanned myself with a copy of *The Rockbridge Weekly*. I was getting sick.

And then I felt behind my ear. There was a bump, and it wasn't my old gum.

I went to the infirmary, where the nurses told me that, yes sirree, I had chicken pox. My prize was my own room in the infirmary equipped with a TV with remote control, my own sink, and a closet with the word "closet" stenciled on the door. I want to make clear now, before I go on, that the nurses and doctors in the infirmary were top-notch and really helped me. I'm not just kidding.

To deal with the chicken pox itching and swelling of my face, they told me to cover myself with calamine lotion. After a day, I found that calamine lotion turns your face the color of your sister's pink plastic doll house. I think this effect is used to keep male chicken pox victims from wanting to show their

face in public and then possibly spread the virus.

Chicken pox is pretty resourceful in that it can get in your ears and make it literally painful to listen to some things, like Kurt Loder on MTV News. MTV is but just one of the many sick viewer options on cable TV. I think the USA network is totally dependent on viewers who are too weak to change the channel.

Being in bed all day made me so bored that I actually visualized my upcoming meals, kind of like the dog in the "Kibbles and Bits" commercials. Nothing made me happier than vegetarian lasagna delivered straight from Letitia Pate Evans Dining Hall. But then again, I don't have to be sick to feel that way.

Lying motionless in bed with chicken pox, full of dining hall food, while completely pink, and under the influence of prescription drugs, offers you the opportunity to ponder some things which, well, hadn't crossed your mind recently, like:

1) Shouldn't there be a law against allowing Willard Scott to live in Rockbridge County?

2) We live in a town that gets together once a year to burn Christmas trees and a picture of it ends up on the front page of the local newspaper.

3) Probably as many people in this town own tuxedos as own shotguns.

4) It's been a long time since I've thought about my betta fish, Betta Theta Pi.

When I returned to my apartment I checked on Betta Theta Pi and found out he was dead in his shipwreck. I suspect some fish form of chicken pox. I think my roommate is next.

Checking out of the infirmary means that you eventually have to go back to class. Encouraged by one professor who shall remain nameless—his exact words were "You look like hell"—I returned to my daily schedule. In the back of my mind was the possibility of purchasing a Phantom of the Opera mask to wear while the pox healed.

Getting chicken pox at age 20 is a little scary, especially knowing that I face the possibility of rubella when I'm 25 and maybe even mumps when I'm 30. Scarlet fever when I retire, perhaps. If you're like me and you've never had a childhood disease, the only way you can prepare yourself is to pick out clothes which match the color pink. And STAY AWAY FROM THE PLAYGROUND.

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Safe Sex

All students are invited to join Suzi Landolphi, America's leading "Sexpert" in Lee Chapel on Thursday, January 26, at 8:00 p.m. for "Hot, Sexy, and Safer" a frank, funny, and outrageous discussion of safe sex.

Comedian

Comedian Johnny Lampert from New York will be performing in General Headquarters on Saturday, January 21, at 9:00 p.m. Admission will be free. In addition to Lampert, the evening will also feature Master of Ceremonies Matt O'Brien and Comedian Betsy Green.

TALKBACK

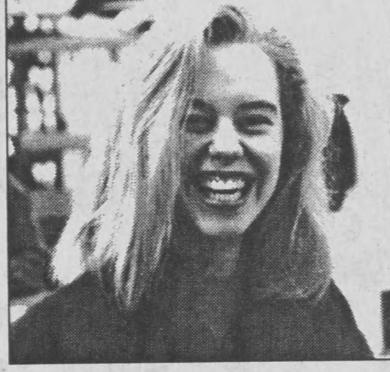
If you could wrestle in any type of food, what would it be, and why?



Michelle Bauman '97, Shawnee, KS - "Gak (green slime), because it's cool."



Sarah Ferguson '97, Rocky Mount, VA - "Spaghetti, because you could tie up your opponent."



Lauren Guthrie '97, Lansdale, PA - "Frozen yogurt, because it's not fattening when you lick it off."



Dave Lupo '96, Kinnelon, NJ - "SPAM - 'nuff said."



Emily Frampton '98, Paducah, KY - "Mashed potatoes, because of their viscosity."



Crissy Donnelly '96, Wayne, PA - "Jello, because it's jiggly."

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Men's swimmers defeat Catholic

The W&L men's swim team avenged last season's loss to Catholic with a 113-92 victory.

David Stillman and Nathan Hottle led the Generals in the contest.

Stillman turned in record performances in both the 50 and 100 freestyle while Hottle contributed meet records in the 200 IM and 200 breast.

The win, coming off a 132-54 pounding of Buffalo State provides the Generals with momentum going into this weekend's tough matches against Emory University and Johns Hopkins in Chapel Hill.

Indoor Track

Both the men's and women's indoor track squads opened the season at the Lynchburg Invitational this past weekend.

All seven women that went picked up a win in the

contest. Senior co-captain Sue Deutsch led the team with personal best times in her wins in the mile and two mile runs.

Sophomores Stephanie Sterling and Erin Gneidziek both turned in wins in the 60-yard hurdles and long jump respectively.

Senior co-captain Kim Herring pulled out a win in the 440 yard dash and sophomore Natalie Messmore won the 880 yard run. W&L also took first in the 440 yard relay.

The men's team was led by its freshmen. Omar Moneim placed second in the shot put and Seth McKinley took sixth in the long jump.

Senior James Maberry was right behind Moneim with a third place finish in the shot, and Kingsley Chukwu took home a sixth place mark in the 440 yard dash.

Both teams compete Saturday at Virginia Tech.

Athletes of the Week

Megan Weidmaier

Yet another freshman sensation, Weidmaier has come on to be one of the Generals top performers this season.

In wins over Buffalo State and Catholic, she set two meet records and was a key part of two record setting relay teams.

Against Buffalo State, she won the 200 fly in a meet record time. Against Catholic, she followed up her amazing performance by winning the 500 free and setting another meet record in the 200 free. Her final achievement of the week was teaming up for a piece of the new records in the 400 and 200 free relays.

Hottle led the Generals to victory against Buffalo State and Catholic.

In the two meets, Hottle set four meet records while notching two wins.

Against Buffalo State, his times in the 200 IM and 200 back are now new meet standards. Against Catholic, Hottle tore five seconds off the previous record in the 200 breast mark. That time put him in consideration for National Qualifying.

His final meet record of the week came in the 200 IM against Catholic as well.

Nathan Hottle

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 (W) L-to Va. Wesleyan and R. Macon
 SWIMMING- (M&W) defeated Catholic 113-92; 109-96
 WRESTLING- 0-3 at W&L Quadrangular
 INDOOR TRACK- at Lynchburg Invitational (Individ.)

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SPORTS

BASKETBALL, SWIMMING, WRESTLING, INDOOR TRACK

This Week:

SWIMMING- (M&W) vs. Johns Hopkins, Emory
 BASKETBALL- (M) at Catholic; (W) at Guilford
 WRESTLING- W&L Invitational
 INDOOR TRACK- at Virginia Tech Invitational

JANUARY 20, 1995

Humble apologies**THE LAST WORD**
BY STEPHEN WILLIARD

To every last person from Oregon (and to those that care), I apologize for screwing up the Rose Bowl thing — it was Oregon, not Oregon State who was Penn State's last victim.

While on the subject of bad football games, maybe a look ahead to the coming Subpar-Bowl is due.

This year, even die-hard AFC fans must admit that something is amiss in the run and shoot league.

The San Diego Chargers are 19 point underdogs in the Big Game against the 49ers. The spread on the 49er-Bronco Superbowl was not even this large.

My question is: How can ANYONE argue that the AFC matches the NFC?

The Chargers were the second best division winner in the conference, not to mention the fact that they defeated the Superbowl shoe-in Pittsburgh Steelers twice this year.

This was considered to be one of the top two or three AFC teams during the course of the year.

Now I'm being told that they will be fortunate to be within three touchdowns of the Niners?

After taking in a few playoff games, I have to agree.

The Niners look very much like an unstoppable force on the order of some of the past Superbowl greats.

After watching the S.F. vs. Dallas game, I felt like I had seen the two best teams in football go head to head.

I think either one of those squads could destroy the Chargers on a bad day.

Pittsburgh ate the SD secondary alive over the middle last weekend. Now imagine Steve Young and Jerry Rice in the place of Neil O'Donnell and company. Not a pretty picture by any means.

By most accounts, the 49er second unit could inflict major damage on the hapless Chargers.

The Chargers do have some things in their favor, though. If Natrone Means can continue to pound ahead for yards as he did in the first two contests, the Chargers just might be able to beat the spread.

Unfortunately for San Diego, the 49er secondary is one of the best in the game. This unit was built to stop the DALLAS passing attack.

If they can accomplish that, I think they stand a better than average chance against Stan Humphries and company.

It's a shame that once again the Subpar-Bowl is in line to be yet another 42-10esque affair.

If the Steelers had made it, everyone would be talking about the great matchup, and the AFC having a shot at its first title in 11 years.

However, the Steelers didn't make it. Instead we have the San Diego Chargers, a no-respect outfit considered unworthy of its first Superbowl appearance.

All they've done is battle back from an 8-8 record a year ago to win the West Division title this year.

They have fought from behind in two consecutive playoff games against favored opponents.

They have practiced excellent ball-control football in getting to the Superbowl.

I admit to enjoying 49er football, but this time I have gone in the other direction—not so much for the Chargers, but for everyone who is bored with the Superbowl.

Go Chargers!

Randolph-Macon snaps W&L win streak at threeBy JOSHUA HESLINGA
Phi Staff Writer

After completing a successful three-game homestand last week, the W&L men's basketball team ran into stiffer resistance on the road this week, dropping the first two games of their road trip to Randolph-Macon and Emory & Henry.

On Sunday, the Generals lost a tough 74-59 decision at Randolph-Macon.

Poor shooting on all fronts plagued the Generals, as they shot only 37% from the field, including 5-22 from three-point range,

and hit only two of seven from the foul line.

Junior Cam Dyer, the Generals' season scoring leader, led the way with 15 points and eight rebounds.

Senior Mark Connelly contributed 10 points and five rebounds, and Derek Carter and Chris Couzen recorded eight points each.

Wednesday took the Generals to face the Emory and Henry Wasps. Poor shooting hurt the Generals again in the first half, leading to a 52-44 halftime deficit.

The Wasps threatened to put the game away by scoring the

first six points of the second half, but the Generals came roaring back with a 20-5 run to take a one point lead with a little over 13 minutes to play.

A pair of threes for Emory & Henry opened it up again, but the Generals made one more run to cut the lead to 89-87 on a Jon Coffman 3-pointer with 2:15 to play.

However, the Wasps responded with six straight points from Shannon Scott in the final 1:30 to clinch the 96-89 win.

Coffman posted a team-high 24 points, including seven 3-pointers, tying a W&L school record.

Connelly hit for 22 points and grabbed nine rebounds, and sophomore Chris Couzen hit four from 3-point land for a career-high 18 points.

The two defeats leave the Generals at 6-7 overall, 3-5 in the ODAC, with four out of the next five games on the road, beginning today at Catholic.

Head Coach Verne Canfield continued to emphasize the need for improved team defense, holding one all-defensive practice.

"We're going to keep working at it," he stated. "My philosophy is you're not supposed to have an off-night playing defense. We need to have all five playing

together, because when you have weaknesses on offense, you need to make up for it on defense."

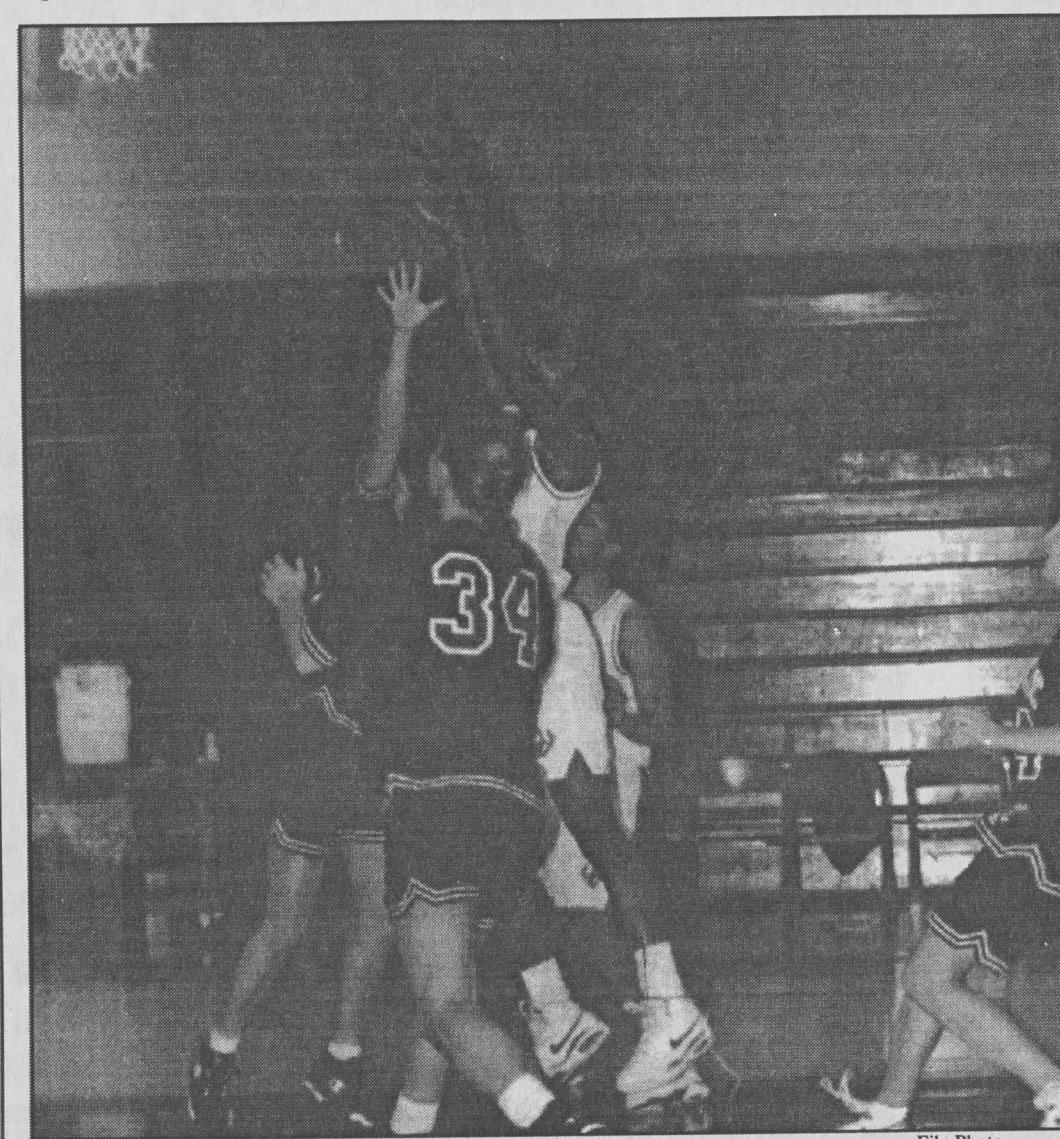
Overall, he praised the team's work ethic, saying, "I am very pleased with their effort. They can't play any harder. Play more consistently? Yes, but not harder."

He cited the many difficulties players face at W&L, from rigorous academics to lack of peer approval to a condensed schedule due to winter break and exams.

"I think it's tougher for a Division III athlete, and W&L is unique. The academics, the hours of practice, and the sacrifice

it's tough for any student-athlete. This is tough on these guys and you have to be careful that fatigue doesn't build up, because once it does, it rears up and bites you hard."

When asked about motivation, Canfield declared, "We take pride in the fact that we really prepare these guys, but it still has to come from within. You can get used to winning, and you can get used to not winning, and you have to be careful of that last one. It's tough to motivate when you're losing, but the kids really care. We really work over there, and these little things are going to pay off down the road."



The women's basketball team has endured a rough season to this point. Injuries and some tough losses have dampedened the mood for the Generals.

Women suffer rough weekend; fall to Randolph-MaconBy KEITH GRANT
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Hobbled by injuries, Washington & Lee's women's basketball team dropped its fourth game in a row Thursday night in the Warner Center.

The 67-49 defeat to Randolph-Macon was the Generals' tenth loss in 14 games this season and leaves them 3-9 in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference.

W&L played its second straight game without injured freshman Rachel Read, limiting the squad to just seven players.

The Generals trailed by eleven at the intermission due to six-of-20 shooting. They also turned the ball over 17 times in the half while being outrebounded 24-16.

The Yellow-Jackets (10-3, 8-2 ODAC) took advantage of W&L's problems with scoring runs of seven and nine to lead by as many as 13.

Freshman Tonia Dean kept the Generals in the ballgame with six first-half points on 3-4 shooting. Junior Sandra Holmes, who has been bothered by a sore ankle, was held to four points and four rebounds. However, a Yellow-Jacket bucket with two seconds left in the half kept W&L hopes alive going into the final 20 minutes.

After a Randolph-Macon three-pointer by Jenn Kohler (19 points) opened up a 14 point Yellow-Jacket lead, Dean sparked a 10-4 run with a turnaround shot in the lane and a put-back of an offensive rebound.

With six points in the W&L run, Dean helped

close the gap to 32-24 five minutes into the second half.

Kohler, though, nailed another three-point shot to spoil the run. W&L never got closer than nine and trailed by as many as 18 in the final six minutes. Even a tape of the "W&L Swing" was eaten up during the Yellow-Jacket onslaught.

Kohler tallied 15 second-half points for R-MC, including three three-pointers. Sandy Krispin totaled 12 points, six boards, and six steals.

For the Generals, Dean had 12 points and ten rebounds, Holmes added eight points and nine boards, and senior Amy Mihal tallied seven of each.

Freshman Michelle Hicks hit three-of-six shots and totaled nine points in 21 minutes of work.

Reduced to seven players, W&L head coach Terri Dadius used everyone for at least 19 minutes. Only four of the 12 Yellow-Jackets who entered the game stayed on for that long.

Tuesday night, the Generals dropped a tight contest to Virginia Wesleyan, 64-59. Down 60-47 in the final minutes, Washington & Lee went on a 14-4 run but did not have enough time left to get closer.

Dean had a huge game against the Marlins, wracking up 14 points and 15 rebounds. Holmes came off the bench, shook off the sore ankle, and scored 17 on 6-for-11 shooting. She and Dean are now tied for the team's rebounding lead (8.0).

The Generals are on the road for their next two games, beginning at Guilford on Saturday. Tuesday, the team travels to Eastern Mennonite for another ODAC game before returning to the Warner Center, where they are 1-7, next Thursday to host Randolph-Macon Women's College.

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Quadrangular rough for W&LBy ERIC SWENSEN
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Last Saturday at Doremus Gym, the Generals had a rough time in the W & L Quadrangular meet, losing to three talented teams in Davidson, Pensacola Christian and York.

While the Generals struggled as a team, some individual wrestlers turned in excellent performances.

In their opening contest of the day, the Generals were defeated by Davidson 25-16.

Rob de Clerk took an 8-4 decision in the 142 lb. class, and Robert Hull (Heavyweight) and Colin Looney (177 lb. class) picked up the other Generals victories.

Next, the Generals faced

Pensacola Christian and came up a little short, losing 33-24. Hull earned respect as he was the only one of four Generals wrestlers to pick up his victory in this match on the mat.

He dominated his match from the beginning, and was well ahead on points when he recorded a pin at 6:09.

In their final contest of the day, the Generals faced a very tough York team and came out on the losing end of a 47-0 decision.

A bright spot for the Generals was in the heavyweight class, as Hull battled to the end against a qualifier for the national tournament, but eventually dropped an 11-5 decision.

Hull's excellent early season performance is even more impressive considering he has not

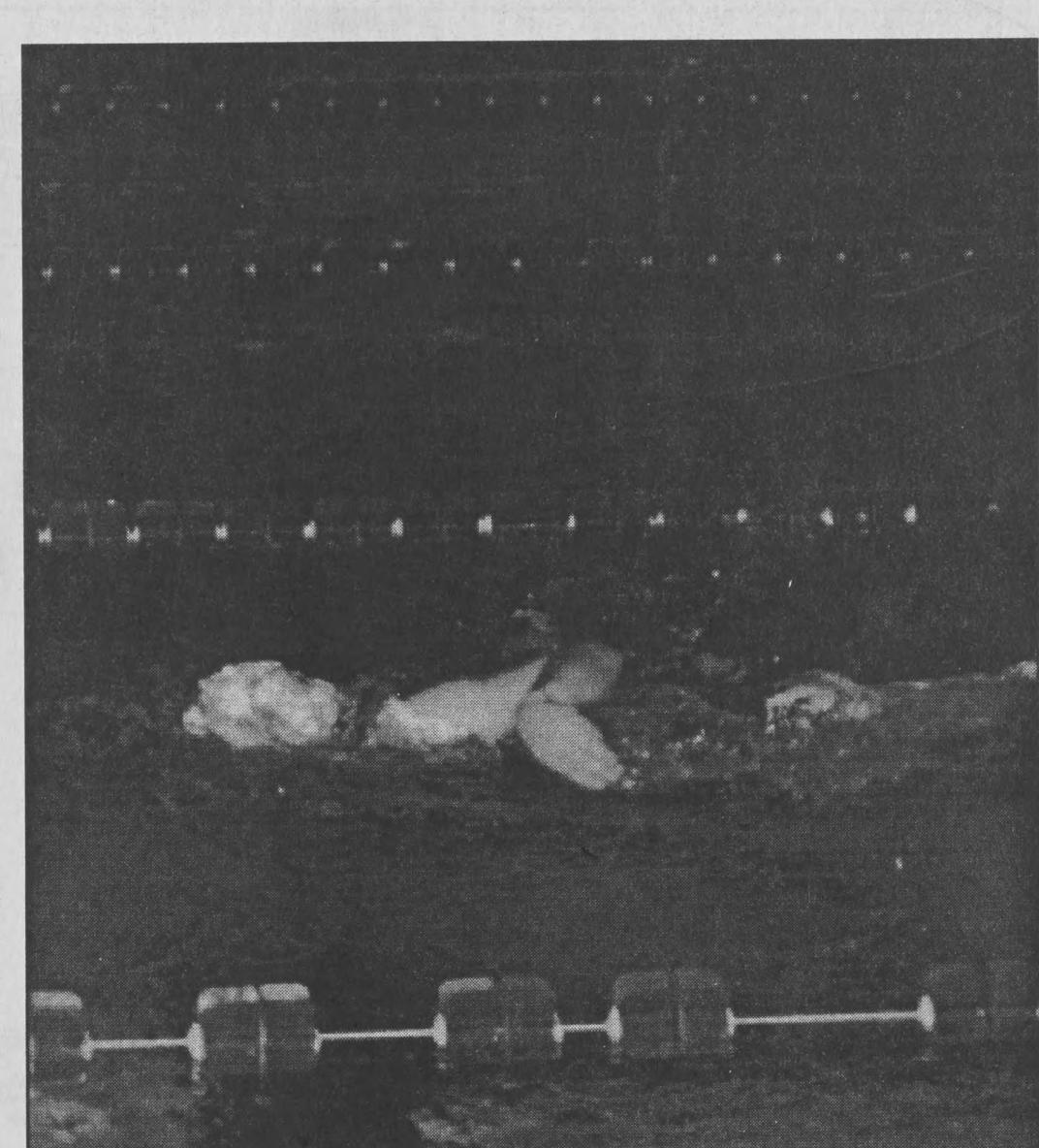
wrestled competitively in two years.

While he was a state champion as a heavyweight his senior year in high school, he chose to play lacrosse his first two years here at W & L.

Coach Gary Franke is pleased with Hull's early season performance, but notes that Hull can improve further. "Hull is still making fundamental mistakes, but that is true of our whole team.

About the meet, Franke said, "Overall, we were a little disappointed with the meet. We're a little disappointed with the middle weights." Franke noted, however, that "They are working hard to improve."

This Saturday, beginning at 9:30 a.m., the Generals will host the W & L Invitational at the Warner Center.



The Generals exacted a measure of revenge for a close loss last year as they defeated Catholic 109-96 on Saturday. With the win, the team improves to 5-0 on the year. The Generals travel to Chapel Hill this weekend for a tough tri-meet against Johns Hopkins and Emory University.

Swimmers topple CatholicBy SCOTT BOOKWALTER
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The Washington and Lee women's swimming team sent a tough Catholic squad packing last Saturday by hanging on for a 109-96 triumph at Cy Twombly Memorial Pool.

The victory enabled the Generals to remain perfect with a 5-0 overall mark.

Coach Kiki Jacobs was extremely pleased with the result.

"It was a big win for us," she commented. "It was the first meet that we knew would be tough."

Freshman Megan Wiedmaier dominated the meet by triumphing in two individual races, in one of which she established a new meet record. She also assisted the relay team in carving out another meet record.

Unlike the previous meet with Buffalo State, the Generals shot out to a hot start against Catholic,

winning the first four races.

Sophomore Laura Marshall got things rolling with a victory in the 50 yard freestyle with a time of 26.59.

Sophomore Jen Miller followed that up with a conquest in the 100-yard freestyle by finishing in 58.41 seconds.

Wiedmaier then took center stage as she swept both the 200 and 500 yard freestyle. Her meet record was established in the 200-free with a log of 2:04.75, and she finished the 500-free in 5:29.35.

The Catholic women rared back to post victories in five of the final seven events, but it wasn't enough to overtake the Generals.

Junior Rebekah Prince was a key factor in holding off Catholic as she broke a meet record in the 200-back with a time of 2:12.12.

Also, W&L picked up crucial points by placing second, third,

and fourth in both the 1000-free and 200-breast.

The team of Wiedmaier, Miller, Marshall, and senior Stacy Cofield smashed the meet record in the 400 yard freestyle relay with a mark of 3:55.29.

"Overall, we swam pretty well," Jacobs remarked. "A lot of people contributed."

A meet at Mary Baldwin scheduled for this past Tuesday was postponed due to illness on the Mary Baldwin side. The meet was rescheduled for Wednesday, January 25.

Next on the agenda for the Generals is a road trip to the University of North Carolina on Saturday for an imposing tri-meet with Emory and Johns Hopkins, who were both top 20 finishers at the 1994 NCAA Division III Championships.

"It will be a real tough meet for us," Jacobs stated. "We're just going down there to swim well."

BEYOND THE BLUE RIDGE

The World

Quake kills 3000 in Japan

About 3000 people died Tuesday in Kobe, Japan after a earthquake occurred. One thousand and people are still missing, and 6,300 are injured. The 7.4 quake was the worst for Japan since 1948 when a 7.1 earthquake killed 3700 people in Fukui Prefecture.

Russian Prime Minister discusses cease-fire

Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chornomyrdin and a delegation met earlier this week for peace talks that could lead to a cease fire. Fighting remained intense. Previous attempts at cease fire have failed.

Christopher threatens to halt aid

Secretary of State Warren Christopher warned Tuesday that U.S. foreign aid for Russia could be cut if fighting continued. He said the United States will wait before any summit meetings occur between the U.S. and Russia.

Judge finds Tribune in contempt of court

A Singapore judge found an American professor and officials of the International Herald Tribune newspaper guilty of contempt of court. He fined them more than \$14,500 over an opinion piece critical of Asian regimes. The case is the latest in a series of legal actions that have put the island state in opposition to Western countries.

The Nation

House approves workplace laws for Congress

The House approved and sent to President Clinton legislation that would bring Congress into full compliance with eleven workplace laws. Congress had exempted itself from major labor, safety and civil rights laws passed in the past 50 years.

G.O.P. slows down on Contract

House G.O.P. leaders began backing away from their ambitious timetable. They wanted to adopt their "Contract with America" in the first 100 days. Cutting spending and taxes while balancing the budget may take longer than they had expected.

The State

Democrats criticize Allen's proposed cuts

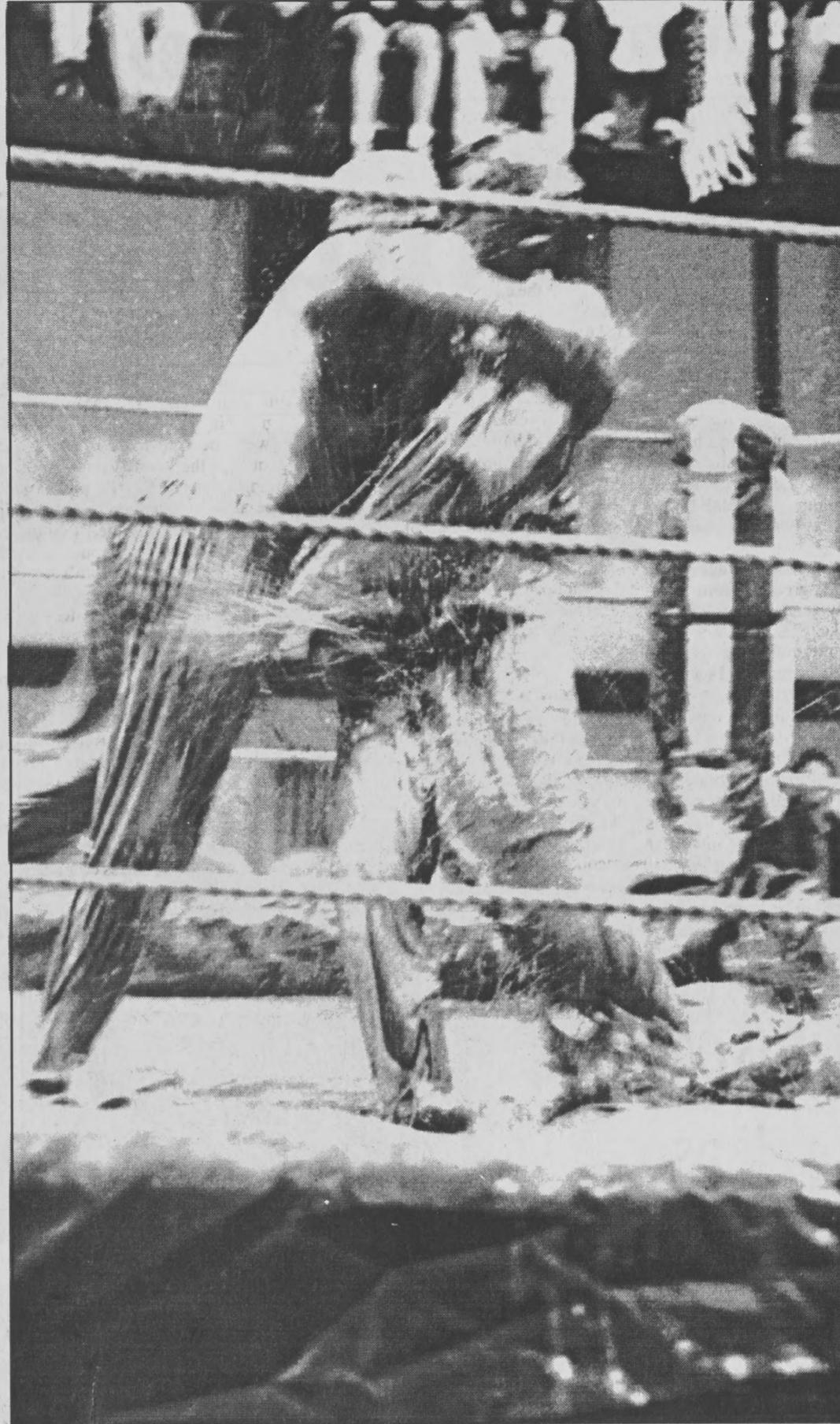
Several Democratic budget-makers blasted Allen administration officials, charging that Governor George Allen is paying for his proposed tax cuts by borrowing money for prison construction. Allen's proposed tax cuts have been criticized as being too harsh.

JMU President angers faculty

Key faculty members at James Madison University are calling for a vote of confidence on President Ronald E. Carrier's ability to lead the school. The president angered some faculty when he proposed drastic changes at the school. Whether the vote will be allowed will be decided by the 35-member faculty senate.

Beyond the Blue Ridge is compiled by Michael Hewlett

Chocolate pudding wrestling draws a crowd



By BETSY GREEN AND LORI RAMSEY
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It's a Wednesday night in Lexington, Virginia. What to do, what to do? This week, we came to a rather unusual conclusion: chocolate pudding wrestling.

Chocolate pudding wrestling is less typical for Washington and Lee women, or even temporarily visiting Randolph-Macon Women's College women like Lori. But someone had to represent the *Phi* and we were glad to do it. We decided to exploit the gentility of the event by wrestling as Miss Betsy Ann and Miss Lori Dayle as the notes of Madonna's "Like a Virgin" wafted through the gym.

We have to say that chocolate pudding wrestling is an interesting event. It's sloppy, smelly, and it doesn't come out easily in the wash.

There were several winners of the individual matches, and they have our heartfelt congratulations. However, we have a few awards to add to the list. So, without further ado, we present Miss Betsy Ann and Miss Lori Dayle's *Phi* pudding awards.

The Showmanship Award goes to Robert Dunlap, with his amazing purple cape and gold lame-clad ladies. This is a man who truly appreciates the dignity of chocolate pudding wrestling.

The "Lost My Left Shoe" Award goes to our friends at the SAB for being a wee bit disorganized. Miss Lori Dayle and Miss Betsy Ann had no one to wrestle against but each other! Imagine our distress.

The "This Bud's For You" Award goes to Ruth Henry and Susie Prevost the most outstanding display of inebriation. It seemed a miracle that they could stand up, much less wrestle.

The Keep America Off Crack Award goes to the very large gent in the very small Speedo. He showed so much flesh he made Miss Lori Dayle blush. Miss Betsy Ann would like to go on the record as being opposed to visible butt cleavage.

The Most Attractive Female Wrestlers Award goes to us, of course. 'Nuff said.

The Most Attractive Male Wrestler Award goes out to Eric Swenson. Eric wins our affection for having the sense to dress appropriately, even if it was in a Santa suit.

The What Are You Doing In Our Pudding Award goes to the two random townies who showed up. We were afraid to wrestle in padding that townies had been in.

Finally, the Tapioca Pudding Award for Blandness goes to the lack of attractive men showing off their bodes. Miss Lori Dayle especially needs this because she is on exchange from a woman's college. Miss Betsy Ann will take whatever she can get.

Wrestling in food is an opportunity not to be missed. Hey, SAB, we're ready for the next level. Bring on the Jell-O, the mashed potatoes, the whipped cream, the tossed salad. You put it in a ring, we'll wrestle in it.

University unveils new hazing policy for W&L Greeks

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Gamma Delta guilty of violating the university's hazing policy. FIJI was then suspended from campus; it returned this year, only after completing a 10-step program demonstrating changes in attitude and action.

The IFC will continue to exercise its power if any new complaints prove legitimate.

As to whether any complaints have actually been lodged, IFC President Kevin Batteh prefers not to comment.

At last Tuesday's IFC meeting, Batteh reminded fraternity representatives of the university's new hazing policy.

Batteh especially underscored an excerpt from the policy reading that, in the view of W&L faculty, any form of hazing "violates individual dignity."

"All such transgressions," the policy concludes, "will continue to be prosecuted vigorously."

If hazing is indeed a menace on campus, so too are the consequences.

CATCH
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ODK taps 32 at Convocation

By MICHAEL HEWLETT
PHI STAFF WRITER

When he learned that Alabama was last in public school education, William E. Smith '63 said he was shaken from his comfort zone and compelled to do something about it.

Smith spoke Thursday in Lee Chapel on "The Origins of Leadership: A Liberal Arts Perspective" during the Founders' Day/Omicron Delta Kappa convocation. He talked about how a liberal arts education can provide the foundation for leadership. A Washington and Lee graduate, Smith is chairman and CEO of Royal Cup, Inc.

Smith became involved with Leadership Out of Bounds where he started studying public education. At the time Alabama ranked in the middle of southeastern states. In 1990, the states that had trailed Alabama were now ahead.

"We had more portable classrooms than in any state," he said.

Many schools didn't have any foreign languages offered in the curriculum, and in some high schools, the most advanced math was called general math, he said. Two-thirds of food stamp recipients and prisoners were high school dropouts.

To correct the problem, Smith founded a grassroots organization called A+. The organization has over 12,000 corporate and individual members. He said they traveled across the country to find working programs and to reform education in Alabama.

He credits his education at W&L for providing him with the tools for leadership. He said W&L led him to discover what is right and wrong. He said his interaction with James Leyburn and other great men changed his life.

Smith lived with Leyburn for two years as an undergraduate. He said Leyburn expanded his mind.

"I can still hear in my mind's ear the notes of his music coming into my room," he said.

He said these experiences created an atmosphere for leadership to flourish.

"It's been my opinion that a liberal arts education is the source of social leadership," he said.

Smith said, in recent years, there have been too many poor leaders and too few good leaders.

He cited two types of leadership: transactional and transformational. He said transactional leadership concerns itself with the management and efficiency of an organization. A transformational leader unites separate interests to pursue higher goals and seeks justice, liberty and equality, he said.

Smith believes a liberal arts education shapes this perspective and provides moral literacy. He said it engenders a tolerance of diversity and starts a conversation that continues for a lifetime.

He cited Plato, Aristotle, Socrates and Leyburn as examples of good leadership.

"We do not do our world any favors if we do not know who they are or for what they stand," he said.

In the ODK initiation which followed, 28 students and four honorary initiates were tapped. The honorary initiates were Dr. Jane Horton, Captain Robert Peniston, Frederick Schaeffer '64 and William Smith, Jr. '63. The students were Kristopher Ahrend, Jeff Chapuran, John Earnhardt, Barbara Jane League, Elizabeth Misivag, Randal Noe, all law students; seniors Chris Albert, Kelly Brotzman, Elise Brown, Alan Christensen, Mark Crider, Alex Cross, Robert Eison, Jennifer Hickes, Marina Jackson, Ashley Kauffman, Timothy Kinsey, Noelle Parrott, Julia Podlas, Beth Provananza, Duane Van Arsdale and Jonathan van Dyke; and juniors Justin Dardani, John Morrison, II, Josephine Schaeffer, Jesse Taylor and Robert Turner.

Hot, Sexy and Safer in Lee Chapel

FROM PHI STAFF REPORTS

"Guys! Wake up! Nobody cares how big your d*** is!"

Suzi Landolphi, the sex expert speaking in Lee Chapel next Thursday, begins her book *Hot, Sexy and Safer* with this message.

Landolphi began lecturing on AIDS and safe sex in 1982. Because of the demand for her performance, she founded the company Hot, Sexy and Safer. She takes her performance to colleges and high schools across the country.

Her book, which the W&L Bookstore will carry, presents facts, plus Landolphi's own experiences and observations.

According to Landolphi, there are 2,862 ways to have an orgasm without having intercourse. Men fake orgasms, too. And women never complain about not finding a big enough penis.

The bluntness of these statements is causing some students to question the

propriety of having the presentation in Lee Chapel.

"It's totally disrespectful to Robert E. Lee," said sophomore Hunter Armstrong. "Up until a few years ago, men weren't allowed in the chapel without a coat and tie, and women in dress. Now they're letting some skanky masturbation lady come and speak."

Student Activities Director Michelle Richardson said Landolphi is speaking in Lee Chapel because it is the only available facility.

"The Lenfest Center was our first choice," said Richardson, "but it's not available because they're preparing for She Stoops to Conquer. The only other choices, such as the Black Box Theater, are too small for a speaker of this nature."

"I understand the concern people have with this. Captain Peniston is going to close the door and put up a divider to separate the crypt from the speaker."

"Hopefully people will not be too offended," said Richardson. "She's pretty blunt, but it's necessary information."

After the presentation there will be a reception in Fairfax Lounge where Landolphi's book and pamphlets will be available.