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PHC may get vote on SAC

By LEIGH ALLEN
Phi Staff Reporter

Students could have majority voting power on the Student Affairs Committee if the faculty approves a proposal to give the Panhellenic Council a vote on SAC.

Friday, SAC unanimously adopted the proposal, which will go to a faculty vote Monday, Dean of Students David Howison said. The faculty must approve the proposal by a majority vote.

"I'm optimistic the faculty will be perfectly supportive of this," Howison said. "It's a logical step."

Five students, three staff members and two administrators currently sit on SAC.

A PHC representative now attends SAC meetings but cannot vote, outgoing PHC President Dale Wyatt said.

The new proposal would give students a 6-5 majority during the committee votes, Howison said.

Kathy Jo Koberstein, a French professor and former SAC member, said SAC approved a similar proposal 8-1 two years ago, but the faculty rejected it.

Koberstein said she was the member of SAC who voted against the proposal at that time and argued against it before the faculty vote.

She said she expects the faculty to reject the new proposal because it would create an imbalance between students and faculty.

She said students should not be burdened with holding a majority on SAC because of the sensitive nature of the cases it hears.

SAC member and SCC President Chris Haley said having a student majority on the committee is not a concern because SAC rarely votes along student/faculty lines.

Wyatt agreed with Haley's assessment.

"In my experience, students always act in the best interest of the university. They don't even really represent their various organizations," Wyatt said.

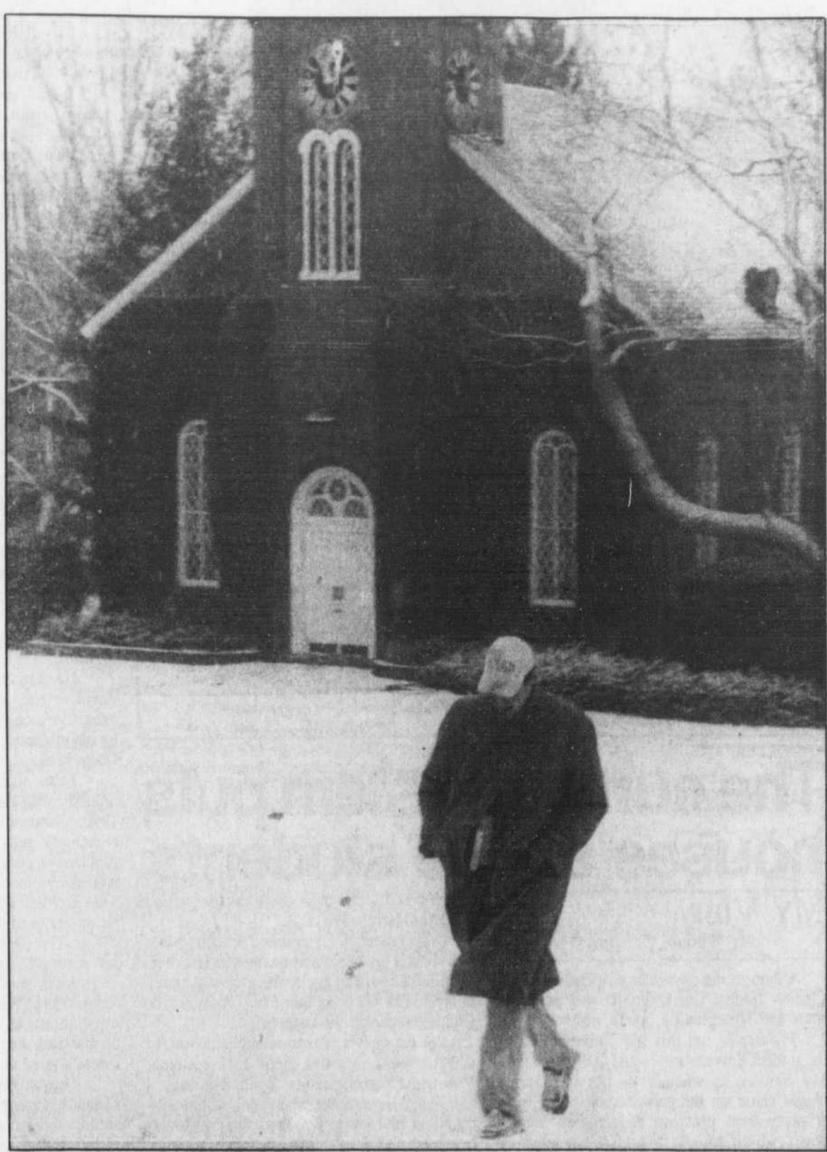


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Friday flurries

Junior Hal Waller trudges through the white stuff Friday after a brief snowfall. More snow Saturday night — about 1.5 inches worth — caused only minor traffic accidents, local police said. Tomorrow's forecast calls for partly sunny skies with a high near 50 degrees.

Jesse Jackson spurns MC bid

By THOMAS EISENHAUER
Phi Senior Copy Editor

The Rev. Jesse Jackson Tuesday canceled his appearance at this year's Mock Convention, but New York Gov. Mario Cuomo has been invited to take his place.

"Basically, Jesse Jackson reneged on us," MC Speakers Chairman Ted Elliot said.

"Jackson was trying to fit us into his schedule, and gave us a verbal commitment," Elliot said. "But he couldn't come because of engagements to register voters for the Democratic campaign."

Elliot said Jackson had hoped to arrange a registration drive while in Lexington. But voter registration in Virginia ends before W&L's March

MC invites Cuomo after Jackson reneges

7-8 convention.

Cuomo, who recently decided not to run for the presidency despite considerable party pressure, was invited Tuesday morning after Jackson canceled, Elliot said. MC officials could not say when the New York governor will make a decision.

Elliot said he does not know if any Democratic candidates will speak at MC.

"If the candidates cannot make it, they'll accept [MC's] nomination over the phone," he said.

Michael Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential candidate, and former House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill have signed contracts to speak at the convention, Elliot said. Jim Olin, congressman for the Sixth Virginia District that includes Rockbridge County, has confirmed that he will attend the convention. Virginia Sen. Charles S. Robb is expected to respond to his invitation within a week, Elliot said.

FD fireworks cut

By GREG PATTERSON
Phi Staff Reporter

Fireworks and the "playbill" brochure have been cut from this year's Fancy Dress, in part to create a financial cushion for unexpected expenses like those that left last year's gala in the red.

The theft of rented decorations, at a cost of about \$8,000, and unexpected cleanup costs were among the reasons the 1991 event ran \$6,300 over budget, according to 1992 FD Chairman Elizabeth Vallotton.

Vallotton presented the first-draft 1992 FD budget of \$75,900 to the Executive Committee Monday. That budget did not include fireworks or a brochure.

"Not enough people see the fireworks show" to justify the expense, she said.

1991 FD Chairman John Flippen said last year's fireworks cost about \$2,000. Vallotton said the final cost

of last year's brochure is disputed, but it was budgeted at \$1,500. Flippen said it cost about \$2,000.

Vallotton at first said the brochure was cut because *The Ring-tum Phi's* supplement did a similar job. She said Tuesday the FD committee might reconsider that decision after learning that the *Phi* is not planning a regular supplement this year. But she said Wednesday the decision not to have a brochure will stand for now.

Phi Editor Jason Kelley said the newspaper staff does not have time to produce a regular FD supplement this year because Mock Convention, FD and exams follow so closely.

FD is expecting \$79,350 in revenue this year, Vallotton said, and should therefore pay for itself. The \$3,450 cushion will be used for last-minute expenses, Vallotton said.

"We overestimated all of our cost to make sure we don't have problems," she said. "I'll die before we go over budget."

Delts fix up house, hope for reversal

By THOMAS EISENHAUER
Phi Staff Reporter

Delta Tau Delta has cleaned up its house and is drafting the appeal of its five-year suspension.

Delt President Robert Wilson said the chapter repaired some of the damage done to the house by chapter members before Christmas break. He said the chapter worked on the house last week and weekend.

He and Delt Vice President Pat McCabe declined to comment on the nature of the repairs.

"We would like to wait until an appeal has been filed before letting the campus know about that," McCabe said.

Delt has until Feb. 10 to appeal its five-year suspension in writing to university President John D. Wilson.

On Jan. 17, the Student Affairs Committee suspended Delt for five years for the "systematic destruction" of its house over a 10-week period.

According to pictures of the house and interviews with Delt House Corporation President Taylor Cole, Robert Wilson and Dean of Students David Howison, members of the chapter broke windows, knocked down walls, removed ceiling tiles, disassembled lofts and destroyed a brick bar before moving out of the house on Dec. 22.

President Wilson can reject the appeal or send the case back to SAC with commentary for reconsideration. If the case were returned to SAC, Howison said, the committee would do whatever is necessary to reconsider the case fairly.

"The president doesn't have the arbitrary right to make the decision on his own," Howison said. "But obviously SAC will listen to the opinion of the president."

Delt officials have disputed SAC's conclusion that the chapter systematically destroyed its house. Cole has said he estimates that fixing the windows, walls and graffiti will cost about \$500. He has said he does not know how much repairing the bar will cost.

If Delt's suspension is not reversed, Howison said, the chapter's seven pledges could try to join other fraternities.

But pledge Doug Watson said he will remain with the Delt group whether or not the chapter is forced to leave campus.

"I'm going to stay definitely in Delta Tau Delta," he said. "It's the only place I want to be right now."

Another pledge, Ray Mees, said he would not comment on whether or not he would stay with the house.

"I can't say anything right now. I'll tell you after the decision [on the appeal] has been made," Mees said.

Watson declined to comment on the intentions of the other pledges. "There are certain people who haven't made up their minds yet," he said.

No one has depledged from the chapter, McCabe said.



Photo by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

Confidential Review Committee Members Allan Vestal, Ramona Franks, Ann Rogers, Allan Ides and Jeff Kelsey listen to students discussing the problems of harassment on campus.

CRC examines assault jurisdiction

By JOSHUA MANNING
Phi Staff Reporter

The jurisdictions of the Confidential Review Committee and the Student Conduct Committee in sexual assault cases were among the topics discussed when 50 students met with the CRC in Lee Chapel Wednesday.

Sophomore Kate Stimeling, of the W&L Women's Forum, talked about the sexual harassment issue.

"A woman is going to be more reluctant to bring such cases to the Student Conduct Committee," Stimeling said, especially when only one woman currently sits on the SCC.

SCC member Rajeev Aggarwal, '94L, defended the SCC's ability to hear harassment cases.

"While the CRC is necessary for sexual assault cases, I think we are sensitive enough and know enough to judge other cases under the harassment policy," Aggarwal said.

SCC member Walter Godlewski, '93L, called for greater cooperation between the SCC and the CRC, recommending that a member of each observe the other's hearings.

"This will deal with the whole idea of consistency, given an obvious overlap in jurisdiction," Godlewski said.

The CRC, which enforces university harassment policy and deals with ethnic, racial, religious and sexual matters, is in the midst of a comprehensive self-study.

CRC Chairman Joan Shaughnessy

said the CRC's largest task is to increase awareness of its services.

"We have the responsibility for letting the university community know who we are and what we do," Shaughnessy said. "More needs to be done in the way of education."

Mostly a counseling service, the CRC itself has made only three case decisions. Most complaints are handled by the Dean of Students staff before they get to the CRC.

"There is work to be done on this campus to make sure that any sexual activities between two people are wholly voluntary," Shaughnessy said. "I'm not sure what will happen with the committee, but there are people out there who are hurting, and that is the bottom line."

EC ups activities fee by \$15

By GREG PATTERSON
Phi Staff Reporter

The Executive Committee raised next year's Student Activities Fee to \$135 per person, a \$15 increase.

The increase will mean an extra \$30,000 per year in the EC coffers.

Such an increase should avoid a budget crisis like this year's, said Bo Russell, the EC vice president. He said that while the EC allocated about \$222,000 this year to organizations, it had \$250,000 in requests.

Sophomore Rep. Nathan Dunn said the increase is needed so the EC can give more money to student organizations.

"We weren't able to give any group as much as they needed this year," Dunn said.

The \$15 increase was approved after a motion for a \$10 increase failed.

Dunn proposed the motion for \$10.

"\$15 is too much without having a clear idea of what we are going to spend it on," Dunn said.

The activities fee was last raised in 1989 by \$5, according to EC Senior Rep. Clayton Kennington.

According to the university catalog, the fee is used to provide financial support for the yearbook, the campus newspaper, the student literary magazine, programs of the Student Activities Board and other student body activities.

In other business Monday, the EC approved an \$1,800 donation to Superdance and preliminarily allotted \$220 to the women's softball club.

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OPINION

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Stop lying about the honor system

In the past two weeks, the Executive Committee has found two Washington and Lee students guilty of honor violations for plagiarism. While we are not allowed to know anything about the cases themselves, if the two were guilty, the EC should be commended for enforcing the code of honor embraced by the current generation of students.

W&L does a wonderful job handling the big three honor sins: lying, cheating and stealing. But in the last three years, no one has even turned in a possible honor violation that didn't involve one of those three oft-touted measures of honor. EC President Giles Perkins said the committee uses the designations lying, cheating and stealing as "a mode of analysis," trying to fit possible violations into one of those categories.

Last year the White Book Revisions Committee concluded that originally the White Book intended lying, cheating and stealing only as examples of dishonorable conduct. The crux of the honor system, the committee said, is that "although honorable conduct cannot be codified, lying, cheating and stealing are clear examples of breaches of the honor system." The committee recommended that "or act dishonorably" be added to the references of lying, cheating and stealing.

The EC disagreed, and in doing so accurately reflected the feelings of the majority of students. The EC's excuse was that the addition of this new language would be too widely interpreted by students and would lead to many unnecessary and absurd complaints. The real reason, however, is that we, the student body, do not believe we can hold ourselves accountable to General Lee's standard of honor.

As bad as that sounds, the White Book itself allows us the privilege to determine how far we are willing to extend our code of honor. The White Book clearly defines dishonorable conduct as that which is "considered dishonorable by the student generation involved." And we have defined it as lying, cheating and stealing.

Unfortunately, we have not openly recognized what we have done. We have taken the opportunities afforded us by the White Book and narrowed the honor system to fit our conveniences. But at the same time, we continue to proclaim to the world that we hold ourselves to the standard once embraced by Lee. This is hypocrisy.

If we are comfortable with how we have defined honor, we should not be hiding what we have done. Instead, it seems we are ashamed of our interpretation of honor.

Our hypocrisy tells us what we have done is wrong. But more than that, we can see that our version of the honor system has lost the very spirit embodied in Lee's vision of honor.

Students think of the honor system today as something to avoid, something to fear. That is the unfortunate outcome of our interpretation. Instead, the honor system should be something the student body embraces daily. Lee sought a system in which students strove to incorporate honorable ideals into their every action, not a system under which students were constantly looking over their shoulders in fear.

To reverse our hypocrisy and to realign ourselves with Lee's vision, we should extend the parameters of our honor system to include the dishonorable conduct we purport that it does. Certainly, an "or act dishonorably" clause would do just that.

Quote of the Week

Act normal.

--- A drunk female student dressed in her provocative lip-synch costume, warning her equally drunk date (who was lying in the gutter after falling and splitting his head open on the curb) that a policeman was rapidly approaching.



The current system puts houses above students

MY VIEW

By William C. "Burr" Datz, '75

Although the five-year suspension of Phi Chapter (Delta Tau Delta) is welcomed by some and lamented by others, my concern is not whether or not this retributive action by the student government is just and reasonable. My concern is whether or not it places a higher value on the preservation of physical property than previous judgements handed down, which sought to protect the physical health of individual lives.

In our recent past, individuals' lives have been placed in great risk by behavior at least indirectly associated with Greek life. For example, there was a shotgun blast inside an occupied house, there have been annual hospitalizations during Tear Night, four reported cases of sexual assault during last fall's Rush and a hit and run accident at 2 a.m., resulting in the death of a freshman in March 1989. In most of these cases, the individuals responsible were held accountable for their transgressions and received an assortment of social and conduct probation. Fraternity chapters were not held accountable for individual behavior in these cases.

Last year, three individuals engaged in an evening "scudweiser" bottle throwing exercise, destroying windowpanes and endangering the safety of a sleeping housemother. When the student government agencies did not take immediate action to reprimand and punish these students, President Wilson suspended them for the remainder of winter term. That action resulted in some student unrest, and angry voices of protest rang out in Lee Chapel and on the pages of the *Spectator*. Since this wanton destruction of property threatened the overall success of the Renaissance Program, these suspensions were deemed appropriate by the powers that govern

this university and by a general cross-section of the student body.

In this recent Delt incident, it appears that individuals are again responsible for approximately \$500 of damage to the property, based in reports in *The Ring-tum Phi*. This time, the Chapter received the suspension.

I'm not denying the troubled nature of Phi Chapter — as an active member in the early '70s and Chapter advisor in the mid-'80s, I am well aware of the many difficulties surrounding its history. But there are two issues involved: (1) When does improper behavior of individuals result in punishment for the entire chapter? and (2) By increasing the severity of the penalties imposed, have the governing bodies of this university — both student and administrative — begun placing a higher value on the protection of their physical assets than on the protection of students?

It is simply not right to intentionally destroy other people's property. But it is also wrong to destroy other people's lives. Houses, windows, walls and bars can all be replaced, at great cumulative cost. Ashley Scarborough, however, can never be replaced, and the scars and erosion of trust left by the alleged sexual assaults and rapes may never completely heal. Is it the duty of fraternal organizations to safeguard its members and prevent similar transgressions?

The renovated houses are an important part of beginning our Renaissance Program. They deserve the care of all involved. But the most important part of this, or any other Greek system, is the people who compromise it. When student and administrative governing bodies zealously protect their human constituency with similar legislation and consistent judgements which have been established as precedents for the protection of the physical buildings, then and only then will W&L's Renaissance Program have any real chance of success.

Arias shatters misconceptions

MY VIEW

By Rick J. Peltz

The first thing that struck me about Oscar Arias Sánchez when I found him looking at a display case in the library was that he is not very tall.

I held the mistaken stereotype that a man of his renown, about whom tall tales are told, would in fact be tall. It was just one of the misconceptions I had of him that were dispelled after an hour.

He is soft-spoken in both Spanish and English. He'll speak whichever you prefer, unless he needs an expression that does not translate.

He did not seize the ends of my questions with zealous, rehearsed answers like many politicians of our day might. He takes his time. He answers a question as fully as he believes it needs to be answered, sometimes with several minutes of monologue and sometimes in a word or two. Often he sits in content silence until he can choose just the words he wants to use.

Sandwiched between Central American hotbeds Nicaragua and Panama... Costa Rica is a tough place to serve as president.

Arias was the chief engineer of the Central American Peace of August 1987. He won the Nobel Peace Prize for it two months later, and he used the proceeds from the Nobel to set up an international peace foundation. His current project is demilitarization in Central America, especially Panama. He smiles when he talks about his fledgling successes there, but he said the people are listening.

He flew into Roanoke alone last week; he does not travel with an escort. He seems to think that would be an excessive recognition of his self-importance. Beside which, he claims never to have had any trouble traveling alone in Costa Rica.

Arias was president of Costa Rica, a democratic republic with three branches of government, from 1986 to 1990. Sandwiched between Central American hotbeds Nicaragua and Panama and stricken with the regional problem of poor communication in rural areas, Costa Rica is a tough place to serve as president.

But Arias believes the Costa Ricans like politics, and he estimates that about 90 percent of those eligible to vote do so. The presidential elections occur every four years, and campaigning starts a good two years in advance.

Arias was not always as popular at home as he is today. Despite the Central American Peace, a 25 percent inflation rate in 1988 drew criticism from the Costa Rican people and the press that Arias was too concerned with issues abroad and not at home.

They might well have been right about their domestic situation, though Arias produces figures to defend himself. He insisted that at year-end 1988 things were in the process of improving, and that they did improve. By the end of his term, he said inflation had dropped to under 10 percent.

Arias is regarded negatively from the popular First World perspective as a leader in the Third World's economic cry (perhaps whine) for help from United Nations agencies. He is a critic of the "wealthy North."

He seems reluctant to criticize Costa Rica's current government, but he admits he doesn't approve of the opposition party's president. He thinks the national economy is again faltering and that the president does not know how to handle it.

He shakes his head with regret when he says he cannot again run for president due to a constitutional mandate limiting heads of state to one term per lifetime.

But Arias is proud of Costa Rica and proud of the freedom afforded the people there. He seems to want foreigners to know it is "the most open" nation in Latin America.

He also wants us to come to Costa Rica, not just to visit the tourist attractions but to see the poor areas, too. He seems to think that everyone in the First World could learn something from visiting the Third.

Come in the spring, he recommends, and bring an umbrella for the rainy season. The tourist traffic is minimal then.

If your timing is right, Arias said you might get to see how well his wife is doing in the presidential primaries.

Rick J. Peltz, a junior, is an editor of *The Ring-tum Phi* and co-recipient of the 1992 Todd C. Smith Memorial Fellowship. This spring, he will travel to Costa Rica to study the state of free press in that nation.

LETTERS

Bookstore fails 'Cheating 101'

To the Editor:

While reading through the January 16 issue of the *Phi*, I came across the headline "W&L students won't buy cheating at Bookstore." I had a feeling that this referred to Michael Moore's *Cheating 101: The Benefits and Fundamentals of Earning the Easy 'A'* and assumed that the 86-page book was not selling well here on campus. However, I was appalled to learn that the Bookstore did not even plan on carrying the book because they felt it would not appeal to some W&L students. Well, neither does economics. In fact, there is a plethora of material in the W&L Bookstore that does not interest most of the students: children's books, swimsuit calendars, *The Village Voice*, N.W.A. and Ice-Cube. How does one know what will interest students if the students don't even have the opportunity to buy it? Mr. Moore made a controversial but truthful statement — most students cheat or have cheated. He supports this statement with 86 pages of examples of how he or students he has known have cheated. Washington and Lee, of course, does not have this problem. Yet, we should not be ignorant of what goes on elsewhere. If I buy a book on fascism, that does not make me a fascist. If I buy a book on women's studies, that certainly doesn't make me a woman. Therefore, simply because W&L students don't choose to "stroll along academic Easy Street" should not

prevent us from making a small contribution to Mr. Moore's post-graduate studies.

Sincerely,
Keith E. Grant, '94

IU head thanks Lex Vegas helpers

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Independent Union, I would like to thank all of those people who volunteered their time and energy to the Winter Picnic in Lex Vegas. The event would not have been possible if they had not given their time.

Sincerely,
Erica L. Ingersoll

SoCo sings W&L proud on the road

To the Editor:

I attended the American Library Association Midwinter Conference in San Antonio last week and was astounded to find nine Southern Comfort alumni singing some of the old familiar in the exhibit area. Robby Aliff and his friends were

employed by a West Virginia library vendor to stage three performances a day — theirs was the only booth in the exhibit hall with a grand piano! I was proud to proclaim to my friends and colleagues that these talented guys were W&L graduates, still wonderful ambassadors for their alma mater.

Sincerely,
Barbara Brown
University Librarian

Student protests Thatcher coverage

To the Editor:

I wish to protest this issue's coverage of Maggie Thatcher's lecture. Of course, I haven't yet read the report, but I know it will appear — right there on page one — and I know it will be grovelingly and mindlessly pro-Maggie. She probably gets more attention than the sublime President Arias. For God's sake, open your eyes, will you? Maggie is one of the most despicable figures to be vomited forth into the world of politics since WWII.

For a reasonable appraisal of her and her shameless little showcase of hypocrisy and deceit last week, see my column in the forthcoming issue of the new student opinion magazine.

Yours etc.,
Niall MacKenzie, '93

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World leaders differ on national defense

Thatcher says, 'be prepared'

By RICK PELTZ
Phi Editor

A sustained strong defense in the First World and the reconciliation of political and military decisions were the themes of former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's address at Virginia Military Institute Friday.

"The unexpected won't stop happening," she said. "Tyrants will not stop being born."

Thatcher gave a chronology of crises she faced during her term in office, all of which she said were unexpected. She started with the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and ended with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, along the way covering the war between Great Britain and Argentina over the Falkland Islands.

In each emergency, Thatcher said NATO's readiness allowed Western military forces to mobilize quickly.

"In no stage in that 11 to 12 year period could we have defended liberty... unless we had made the right decisions in defense," she said. "The assurance that liberty will triumph is to retain your defense in peak condition."

Thatcher stressed the importance of mutual understanding between political and military forces.

During the war in the Falklands, she said, British military and political



Photo by Claudia Schwab, The News-Gazette

Former British Prime Minister Margret Thatcher addresses the crowd in VMI's Cameron Hall Friday night. Members of the speakers committee that invited her to Lexington sit on the platform behind her.

chiefs met together every Sunday. The military "should never be wanting a political decision as to what their objective is," she said.

"When the objective is to recover the liberty of the people, that is your first objective."

Thatcher also praised the way Western nations countered communism during her term. She lauded NATO's containment policy as well

as Western propaganda machines like Radio Liberty.

"We took our technology ahead," she said, "and this was saying, 'We will not tolerate the extension of your wicked creed. You might as well drop it.'"

She also praised former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev as a visionary in the Soviet Union, saying she helped show him the merits of a

free society when he visited Britain.

Thatcher said, given the rapid breakup of the Soviet Union and the uneasy alliance that has replaced it, looking ahead can be frightening.

She said not to worry, though, as things worked out all right after another great empire once crumbled — the British Empire.

"And that would've been handled better if I'd been there."

Arias calls on First World to ease debt, demilitarize

By RICK PELTZ
Phi Editor

The time has come for the First World to face the Third, according to Nobel Peace Prize winner Oscar Arias, who spoke at Lee Chapel on Jan. 23.

"For nearly 40 years the world endured a confrontation of two military blocks with an insatiably destructive capacity," Arias said. "[By concentrating on the Cold War,] the powers of the North have postponed the solution of humanity's problems."

Arias, former president of Costa Rica, won the Nobel Prize in 1987 for his Central American Peace plan.

He said that since the Cold War is over, world leaders' next priority should be the Third World.

"No nation can advance solutions to contemporary problems until the problems in the Third World are resolved," he said.

"Since 1982, Third World governments have encountered crises that have impeded them ... from a reasonable level of human development in the foreseeable future. Banks are more concerned with collecting debts than human development."

Arias cited debt, drugs, poverty and deforestation as the most impor-

tant Third World problems to be solved. They are all related, he said.

Thousands of people dedicate their lives to drug production because it is so profitable and gives them economic power, their best weapon against poverty, he said. Natural resources such as forests are thus destroyed to make more room for drug production.

He said the Third World nations cannot break this cycle because they spend their resources servicing debt.

"The ball is in the court of the industrialized nations," Arias said. "We [in the Third World] no longer talk about external but eternal debt."

Arias also said armed conflict must be eradicated from the Third World. He said the five permanent member nations of the United Nations Security Council supply 85 percent of the world's arms, and thus must take the lead in global demilitarization.

Arias pointed to Costa Rica, which does not have an army, as an example of successful demilitarization.

"I don't see any need for a small country like ... Guatemala to have an army of 60,000 men," he said. "Costa Rica ... has been the only country ... with the courage to declare peace to the world."

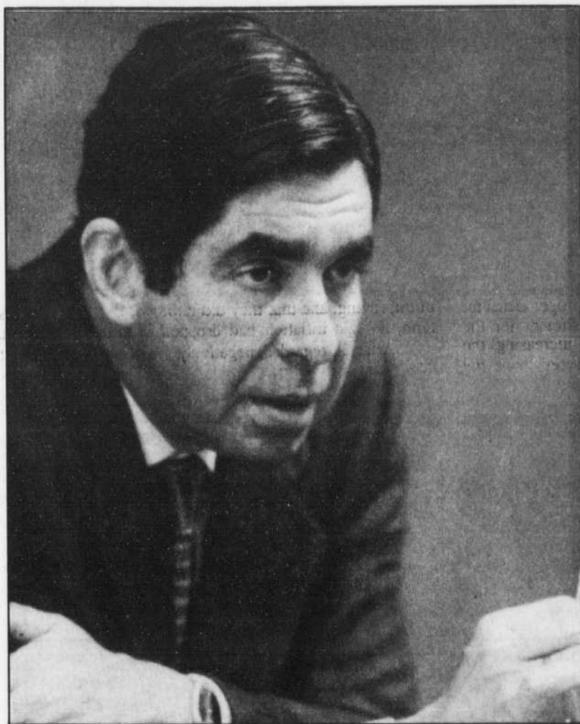


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Former Costa Rican President Oscar Arias addresses W&L students Thursday. Arias spoke in Lee Chapel later that night, calling for world disarmament and more aid to the Third World.

GENERAL NOTES

Kathekon

Kathekon, W&L's student alumni association, will accept applications for membership from interested members of the student body beginning Feb. 5. Kathekon membership is open to rising juniors and seniors. Applications will be available at the Alumni House or outside Carol Calkins' office in the University Center. They will be due by March 4.

Fireworks!

The International Club will sponsor a fireworks display in front of the Doremus Gym on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in honor of Chinese New Year.

Reception

The reception for those students interviewing with Hecht's on Feb. 4 will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Alumni House.

Debate

"Which party is more competent to lead the U.S.?" is the topic of a debate featuring the College Democrats and the College Republicans. The debate will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Commerce School Room 327. The public is invited and a reception will follow.

Club Softball

There will be a women's Club Softball meeting on Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. in the 500-level classroom in the gym. If you are interested, but can't make it, please call Meredith Gronroos at 464-5541 or Jill Jacques at 463-3906.

Superdance

Superdance will be held on Feb. 7-8 in the Pavilion. The Battle of the Bands will be held on Friday night. Boy O Boy will also perform on Friday. The winner of the Battle of the Bands and the Truly Dangerous Swamp Band will perform on Saturday night.

LSAT

The Kaplan Prep Course for the June LSAT test has been rescheduled. It will begin on Feb. 9 and run through March, meeting on Sunday afternoons from 2-6 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 6-10 p.m. in Commerce School Room 221. To receive a full schedule and to learn how to pre-register, inquire at the Career Development and Placement Office in the University Center.

Karate

Anyone interested in forming a Karate/self-defense/kickboxing club, call Tim Vanderver at 464-6273.

Pub Board

The Pub Board will meet on Monday at 8 p.m. in The Ring-tum Phi office. The new magazine editor and business manager will make a presentation.

Get It Out

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

Jameson Leonardi compiled the General Notes.

SAB Flick

The SAB will present two showings of the recently released movie *Billy Bathgate* on Sunday. The movie stars Dustin Hoffman, Bruce Willis and Nicole Kidman. Screenings will be at 2 and 7 p.m. in Reid 203. Admission is \$1.

Speak Out

The W&L Chapter of the ACLU will sponsor an open mike forum on Tuesday, Feb. 4 from noon to 1 p.m. in the ODK Circle in front of the Co-op. The topic will be "Does the Republican Party have the right to keep David Duke off the presidential primary ballot."

FBI

The FBI will be holding an open information session for any students interested in learning more about the bureau on Feb. 5 at 4 p.m. in room 109 of the University Center.

Lost and Found

A cassette radio, a sweater, gloves, and several jackets and umbrellas have been found. Please claim in room 104 of the University Center.

Writing Center

The Writing Center is open for winter term Tuesday through Thursday from 7-10 p.m. in Payne 2B. Students who want help with writing projects of any kind are encouraged to sign up or to stop by for an individual conference with a writing tutor. This semester we have double tutors available on Thursday nights.

Film Society

The next presentation of the W&L film society will be *To Sleep with Anger*, directed by Charles Burnett. Showings will be at 8:05 p.m. on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 in Lewis Hall Classroom "A." There is no charge for admission. The film is in English. *To Sleep with Anger* is a powerful drama, with a supernatural tinge, of a contemporary black family.

Republicans

There will be a meeting of the College Republicans on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Commerce School Room 221. All new members welcome.

Interviews and photos
by Teresa Williams

BARKBACK

Do you really enjoy hanging out on the hill?



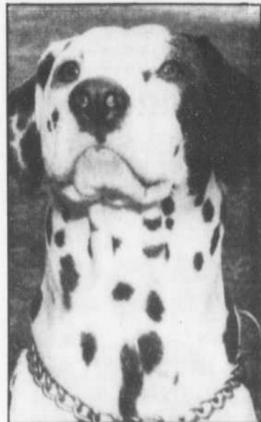
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Cisco, Romance Languages Department — "Sí, pero este perro voy a la tertulia para encontrarme con una perra."

Coeducation in Retrospect

100 year debate preceded the school's 'big leap'



This common slogan was put on T-shirts that were even worn by new co-eds.



File Photo

A 1950 edition of *Southern Collegian* reported that it uncovered a W&L plan to go co-ed in the fall. This was their version of the future campus.

By JOYCE BAUTISTA
Phi Staff Reporter

"You calic men will say that life will be too prosy without flirtation. — if girls get serious, and that boys will be boys and girls will be girls. We doubt if life should be any less poetic if you should understand the real poetry of life; . . . And you need never fear that boys will be girls and girls will be boys under co-education"
--The Ring-tum Phi, March 1, 1902

The debate over whether to admit women to Washington and Lee goes back much further than its inception in the fall of 1885.

The earliest co-education debate on record involved the faculty and Board of Trustees in the spring of 1896. The reason for the debate was a drastic drop in student enrollment in 1895, which may be seen as an event to foreshadow later discussions involving the same dilemma of enrollment from the late 1960s to the early 1980s.

The final faculty vote in 1896 was three ayes and seven nays. According to Ollinger Crenshaw's *General Lee's College*, the reverend trustee, Dr. E.C. Gordon, moved on June 17, 1896, for the appointment of a board committee to inquire into the expediency of "opening the doors of this University" to women. Yet, the next day the resolution was voted on and not discussed again until 1902.

"Shall we perpetuate the old prejudice which has existed for ages, and has only succumbed to some extent to the liberalism of the twentieth century? Shall we resign our place as the most progressive institution in the South, as the leader in the march of civilization, as well as in scholarship?" The *Southern Collegian* was on top of the co-education issue. In 1902 the publication declared that the "big" question, the "burning" issue of the day was admitting women at Washington and Lee. A faculty committee was again put to work investigating the feasibility of coeducation and, according to Crenshaw, stated that if the committee report should be favorable, the faculty would recommend coeducation to the trustee's meeting in June.

The *Ring-tum Phi* was also in support of admitting women to W&L, yet again the issue was dealt a heavy handed defeat. One student wrote to the *Phi* urging Washington and Lee to "resist the 'New Woman,' who was far too 'strenuous' for the young man's taste."

Except for the admission of women students during the wartime summers of 1942-1944, when the university was practically devoid of male students, and in 1969 and 1975, when interest in coeducation heightened, 1902 marked the beginning of a lull in the activism for coeducation at W&L. The lull was ended by the growing lib-

eralism that began sweeping the country in the late 1960s. In 1970, women began to take undergraduate courses through an exchange program with area colleges.

In 1972, the Law School admitted women, bowing to pressure from the American Bar Association, who would not continue to accredit schools and colleges not open to talent regardless of race, religion, or sex.

"I guess I should not have been surprised to have it [coeducation] become the focal point of my first 10 months in office — though clearly I was surprised," University President John Wilson said in 1983 in his "Reflections on the Question of Undergraduate Coeducation at Washington and Lee."

According to an Oct. 1984 *Newsweek* article President Wilson had come from all-female Wells College, where he had supported single-sex education. Wilson cited the fact that an increasing number of qualified applicants had decided not to go to W&L because it was all-male.

According to Professor of History and University Historian Taylor Sanders, single-sex Washington and Lee was once the norm, along with such prestigious universities as Harvard, Princeton, and Vassar. After they and many other universities and colleges across the nation decided to admit women, W&L became isolated. Single-sex schools were no longer the norm, but an oddity.

"Coeducation has been the essential factor in making Princeton the most attractive place in the country, not only for students but for faculty..." Princeton's Professor Albert Sonnenfeld said shortly after Princeton's admission of women.

The steady drop in student enrollment seemed to also support the reasoning that single-sex universities were no longer attractive to potential college students.

"In short we are not dealing with a fad but with a significant permanent change in American Society," President Wilson said in his 1983 report.

In 1983, W&L accepted slightly over half of its applicants, according to the co-education report. Expectations were that enrollment would drop 25 percent all across the nation in the next year, forcing the university to lower admission standards to keep enrollment of the freshman class steady.

Supporters of coeducation believed that the addition of women students in the classroom would produce higher quality work, because the report assumed that at 18 women are



File Photo

Lem Tucker of CBS News interviewed President Wilson about coeducation in 1983.



One campus publication printed this cartoon with the caption, "A point beyond debate — most coeds are worth watching."

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235 years changed in one decision

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assumed that at 18 women are more mature than men. Faculty also said a valuable point of view would be gained by the continuous presence of women in class discussion.

Opponents of coeducation cited what they called, "doctrine of distraction," causing nervousness between the sexes that could affect academic performance.

Associate Professor of Sociology David Novak released a report of the poll results conducted by students in the department entitled "Coeducation at Washington and Lee University: Student and Faculty Perspectives."

The results of the 1984 survey revealed that 42.4 percent of the student body polled believed that W&L should go co-ed and 52.9 percent should not. A total of 1,084 students, or 84 percent participated in the survey.

Among the faculty the results were much more lopsided in favor of coeducation. Of those faculty members polled, 82.3 percent believed that W&L should admit women and 14.3 percent opposed admission of women. A total of 120 faculty members, or 84 percent participated in the survey.

Both groups surveyed, according to the 1984 report, were concerned with "potential loss of tradition and distinctiveness coupled with cost of converting to coeducation."

In 1984, after 235 years of only admitting men, W&L's Board of Trustees voted 17 to 7 to admit women in the fall of 1985.

"An all-male school doesn't seem to be a product that sells," Board Chairman James Ballengee said to *Newsweek* in 1984.

In 1985, W&L admitted 107 women as part of the 423 member class of '89. The campus swarmed with reporters to record the memorable moment of Washington and Lee University history that ended 235 years of single-sex admission.

But, there were still those who strongly opposed coeducation.

"The education of women is a trivial matter," one veteran professor told a *Newsweek* reporter. "The education of men is a serious matter. I don't think the frivolous and serious should mix."

Jon Missert, a graduate of the last all-male class, 1988, noted that he along with most of his class were initially opposed to coeducation.

"Many of the alumni felt that the issue was railroaded through the Board of Trustees," Missert said. "The decision wasn't made in a good way. It seemed they voted when school was out of session to purposely avoid student protest."

Though initially opposed to coeducation, Missert along with a majority of his class had learned to accept the new women on the Hill as fellow W&L students.

"W&L being a single-sex school fostered dealing with women on a strictly social level only," Missert said. "Women should be dealt with on an academic level, not just as girls coming down the road."

Though Missert said it felt good to graduate from a university that had higher academic standards than before coeducation, he believes that W&L did not need to admit women because of the falling student enrollment. Instead, he blames poor recruiting not the W&L's supposed loss of appeal to perspective freshmen.

"If they really wanted more and better applicants," he said, "they could have gotten them."

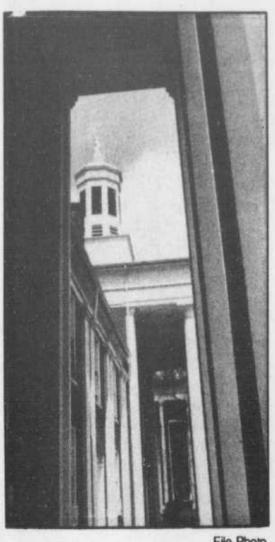
The notion that there were some professors still strongly opposed to admitting women after coeducation, Missert said, was not their opposition of female W&L students but the fear of losing tradition.

However, by 1988 women had their own social organizations and sports. Women had been elected to the Executive Committee and held offices in class government and positions in the school newspaper and other groups.

The adjustment had been awkward for the first class of women, Professor Sanders said, but conditions for women have greatly improved. The colonization of sororities and the availability of support groups for women are firm pillars of support for the growing female population.

Sanders, a professor at W&L since 1969, was one of the 90 percent of the faculty that finally agreed on coeducation. He feels that the first few classes of graduating women had it the worst but noticed that their outlook on life was more optimistic, toughened by a male-dominated social and academic environment.

"In order to survive here," he said, "a kid has to be tough. That's the way it always has been."



File Photo

The face of the Colonnade was changed forever in 1984.



Associated Press

W&L students staged a sit-in in front of university President John Wilson's desk in 1984 to protest coeducation.

Colonnade Crossword

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 49 Work for wages
 51 Dull looking
 52 Not as pretty
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FOR THE RECORD

In the story, "Play will surprise you" in the Jan. 23, 1992 issue of *The Ring-tum Phi*, the roles of the two brothers were reversed. Rich Cassone plays Austin, and Mason Pettit plays Lee. Pettit's name was also misspelled.

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Play the numbers on Friday

By ERIN MCKINNEY
Phi Staff Reporter

The Student Activities Board hosts the fourth annual "Bingo Night" Friday at 8 p.m. in the Student Activities Pavilion.

The event is not a fund-raiser, "it's just a great time to relax and throw a few numbers around," said SAB Chairman Will Jones.

"Bingo Night has been gaining popularity every year," said Special Events Director John Flippen. "The people that come really have a great time," he said.

Jones said the SAB expects at least 300 people.

Prizes include a TV, VCR, Fancy Dress tickets and a Nintendo game system.

The event includes 10 games of bingo. The first card costs \$3, the second costs \$2 and each after that will be \$1.

The band "Wild Grass" will play between each game. Two SAB freshmen, Kip Ebel and Jeremy Enstein, will host the evening.

Anyone 21 years of age or older can bring alcohol into the pavilion, but glass bottles will not be permitted.

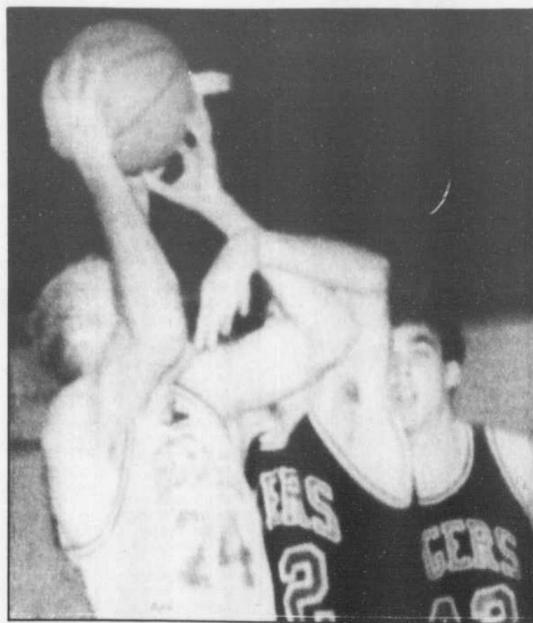


Photo by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

Impeded path

Senior Mark Melton's path to the basket is blocked by a Hampden-Sydney player. The Tigers beat the Generals 84-63 Wednesday night in the Warner Center.

Speaker addresses disorders

By MAUREEN LEVEY
Phi Staff Reporter

Studies show one in four college women in the United States suffers from an eating disorder, and the figures are not much different at Washington and Lee. In fact, they might be higher.

Marlene Boskind-White, a national authority on eating disorders, will talk to a W&L audience in Northern Auditorium tonight about "bulimarexia," a combination of anorexia and bulimia, which are characterized starvation and bingeing and purging.

According to studies Boskind-White began at Cornell University in the mid 1970s, many driven young women can develop the compulsive behavioral disorders as a way of coping with other pressures.

They lose or control their weight through unhealthy methods like starvation, bingeing and purging, abuse of laxatives or diuretics, and compulsive exercise.

"High achieving women, like those at W&L, find themselves often with a problem [with eating]," said Associate Dean of Students and Counseling Psychologist Anne Schroer-Lamont. "Achievers strive for perfectionism."

According to Schroer-Lamont,



Boskind-White

more W&L women have come for counseling this year for eating disorders than in other years, and some men have come as well. National studies indicate one person in 10 with the eating disorders is a man.

"Even athletes have 'bulimarexic' tendencies because of their discipline to stay in shape," Schroer-Lamont said, "especially male wrestlers who have strict weight guidelines."

Schroer-Lamont added that one-third of women nationally with eating disorders have also been sexually assaulted or raped.

Bulimarexia is the most common form of eating disorders, according to Schroer-Lamont. She said some anorexics lose up to 30 percent of

their body weight, cease to menstruate, suffer anemia and even die. Bulimics usually remain closer to a normal body size, but may develop dysrhythmia or a ruptured esophagus among other problems.

"I'm not sure people engaged in such behaviors are even aware of their condition," she said. "Many are striving to be perfect. That can trigger it." The Health Education Committee invited Boskind-White, who is a professional counselor in Roanoke, Va. Her staff includes a nutritionist and an exercise physiologist.

Schroer-Lamont said Boskind-White has treated thousands of women, some from as far away as Canada and Europe, with eating disorders.

Boskind-White is presently a consultant to the National Collegiate Athletic Association. She is also a senior consultant at St. Albans Psychiatric Hospital in Radford, Va., and serves as adjunct associate professor at Virginia Tech.

She and her husband William C. White, Jr. have authored numerous publications, including the best selling book *Bulimarexia: The Binge/Purge Cycle*, and articles in national magazines on eating disorders.

Boskind-White will begin her speech, "When Food is a Four Letter Word" at 7:30 p.m.

Student political parties to discuss election issues

By JAMESON LEONARDI
Phi Staff Reporter

Who is more competent to lead the United States, the Democrats or Republicans?

The College Democrats and College Republicans will sponsor a debate to answer that question on Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Commerce School Room 227.

College Democrats President Matt Jackson said debate is not meant to be competitive but educational.

"It's something that has never been done before, the bringing together of Democrats and Republicans to

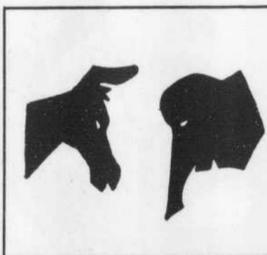
discuss issues," Jackson said. "We can learn a lot from each other by debating the issues."

Jackson said he sees some of the debate focusing on the Democratic plans to reclaim the middle class and on their view of the Gulf War.

"The hypocrisy of foreign affairs will also be an issue," Jackson said. "The Gulf War started out as a war for jobs and oil and ended up as an ideological war."

Amanda Stewart, chairman of the College Republicans, agrees with Jackson's opinion as to the reasons for the debate.

"I hope the two parties can



come out of the debate as friends," Stewart said.

But Stewart said economic and trade issues will be more important than the subjects Jackson mentioned.

"The Republicans think the federal government is too large," Stewart said. "We want more choices for the consumer. Republicans believe in free enterprise and free trade."

City takes recycling plan to colleges

By JENNIFER LATHAM
Phi Staff Reporter

A new recycling program is being planned for Washington and Lee and Virginia Military Institute in cooperation with the city of Lexington, and some of the results can already be seen on campus.

At present, recycling receptacles for mixed paper and cardboard are found throughout W&L's undergraduate campus. According to Buildings and Grounds Superintendent James Arthur, mixed paper bins will soon be at the law school, as well.

Collections from these bins are taken to the larger recycling collection center, located next to the Kroger grocery store on Rt. 11. Drop-off centers and storage spaces may eventually exist in Augusta County and areas north of Rockbridge County, as well.

Lexington City Manager Jon Ellestad said he hopes to expand the program to include metal cans and glass from

the W&L food services. Recycling of computer paper will also be emphasized because it is very cost effective, according to Ellestad.

"The city is under a mandate. Ten percent of its land-fill tonnage must be recycled," said Arthur.

Curbside collection of recyclable materials and the addition of a county landfill for bailed paper and cardboard should increase the percentage of used items that are recycled.

Ellestad said Lexington already may be ahead of its goal because summary figures for 1991 indicate 13 percent of the city's total waste stream was recycled.

Ellestad added that the city will still need federal funding to help it buy a place for the landfill and market the project.

While a processing center for recyclable materials has not been established, W&L and VMI are encouraging students to get involved with campus recycling programs. "Recycling is, and should be, a priority," he said.

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Women's swimming fights flu at Swarthmore

By ERIN MCKINNEY
Phi Staff Reporter

A depleted Washington and Lee women's swimming team lost to Swarthmore last Saturday, 123-72.

The team has been hit by the flu epidemic that has swept the country and is having trouble keeping everyone healthy.

The lack of healthy swimmers has hurt the team in the last couple of meets.

The Generals only had seven of their regular nine swimmers against Swarthmore, but coach Kiki Jacobs didn't try to use it as an excuse for the loss.

"I'm not certain that we would have won if we had had all of our swimmers," said Jacobs, "but the meet would have been much more competitive."

Despite the low numbers, Jacobs was pleased with her team's performance.

"Considering the long road trip we made, we swam really well," Jacobs said.

Senior Jodi Herring led the W&L effort. She took first place in the 1000-yard freestyle and the 500-yard freestyle, plus second in the 200-

yard butterfly.

Junior Claire Dudley had yet another strong meet. She captured first place in the 100-yard freestyle and took second in the 200-yard freestyle and the 200-yard breaststroke.

Freshman Susan Fisher also had a very good meet. She won the 100-yard backstroke and claimed second in the 200-yard individual medley.

Jacobs is optimistic about the team's upcoming schedule although she admits that it will be tough.

"Trying to keep everybody healthy is the key," Jacobs said.

The Generals next meet is against Bridgewater this Saturday at 10 a.m. in Twombly Pool.

The Generals are also starting to look ahead to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Championships

beginning Feb. 21.

"Soon we'll be concentrating on resting for ODACs," Jacobs said.

This year's women's team will be the smallest one to ever compete in the championships.

"It will be a good win if we can pull it off," said Jacobs.

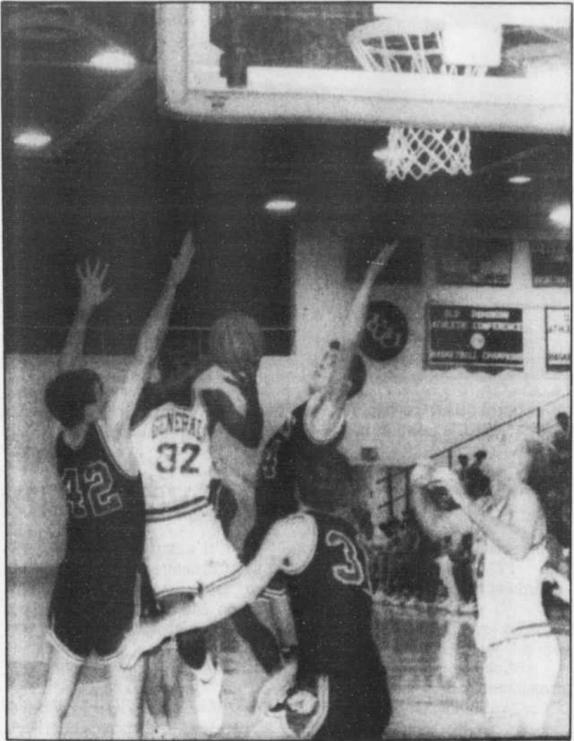


Photo by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

Freshman John Rogers scores two of his career-high 14 points in Wednesday night's game against Hampden-Sydney.

ODAC's top three teams top struggling Generals

By JAY PLOTKIN
Phi Sports Editor

ESPN college basketball analyst Dick Vitale came to Lexington on Wednesday and brought his sense of the big-time with him.

The Washington and Lee basketball team has gotten a good look at the big time of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference this past week, and the Generals found the going rough.

The league's top three teams, Bridgewater, Emory and Henry and Hampden-Sydney all sent the Generals home empty-handed and dropped W&L's record to 5-12 and 2-9.

But the losses weren't all bad, said head coach Verne Canfield.

"I just wish we could put two halves together," he said. "We'll play one good half and then have a lapse that takes us out of the game."

Against Bridgewater Friday night, the Generals trailed by 11 at the half, but rallied to cut the lead to six before finally falling 78-71. At E&H on Monday, W&L trailed 35-31 at the half but went cold in the second half and lost 83-69. And last night at the Warner Center, the Generals trailed just 36-30 to start the second half, but again went cold, and

H-SC went on to an 84-63 win.

"We can play with anybody," said Canfield. "But we think about playing with the top teams too much and that causes the lapses."

Against the Tigers, senior Mark Melton and sophomore Robert Miggins scored to start the second half, but Russell Turner led an 11-2 H-SC run that opened up a 47-32 lead.

After W&L cut the lead back to 10 at 59-49, the Tigers sent on an 8-2 run to ice the game.

Freshman John Rogers provided the highlight of the second half with his breakaway dunk at the final buzzer. Rogers led W&L with a career-high 14 points. Junior Bryan Watkins, the team's leading scorer on the season, scored 12 points, 11 in the second half.

Watkins scored 23 points in the loss to Bridgewater and 19 in the loss at Emory and Henry.

Despite the losses, Canfield is pleased with the effort his team has put out.

"We are going through an on-going learning process, and I'm pleased we've maintained our work ethic," he said. "We haven't quit or given up. We're still working hard to improve."

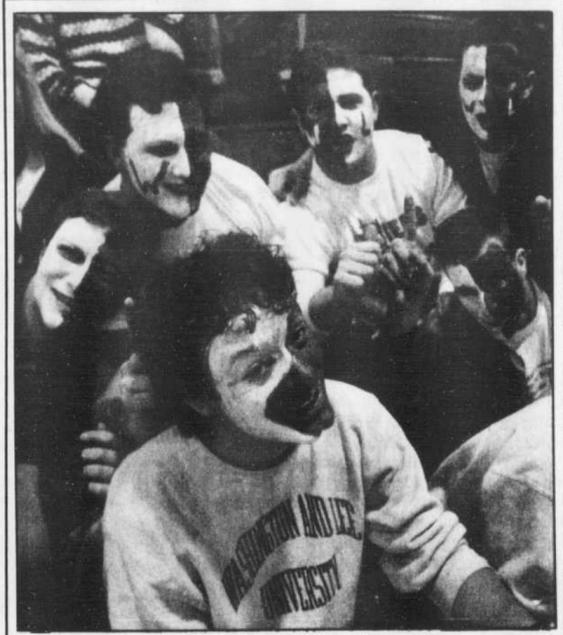


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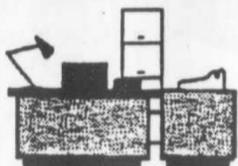
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Wrestling - 7th at W&L Invt.
Basketball - BC 78, W&L 71;
E&H 83, W&L 69; H-SC 84, W&L 63
Men's Swimming - W&L 120, Swarth. 67
Women's Swimming - Swarth 123, W&L 72
Track - M&W at separate relays

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Next week's games:

Basketball - 2/1 (h) Roanoke, 2/5 (a) VWC
Wrestling - 1/31 at Mid South Tourney
Women's Swimming - 2/1 Bridgewater
Men's Track - 2/1 at Lynchburg
Women's Track - 2/1 at Virginia Tech

Men's swimming wins big, again

By SEAN O'ROURKE
Phi Staff Reporter

Confidence. It's what separates the good from the great. Without it, even the most talented teams lose.

Right now, the Washington & Lee men's swimming team's cup runneth over with confidence. Last Saturday, the Generals traveled to Swarthmore and dismantled the host team, 120-67.

The effort was W&L's third straight convincing win. This time was different, though. The Generals, 5-4 on the season, overpowered their opponents on the road. For coach Page Remillard, that's an even bigger

boost to his team's confidence.

"We have a young team and they're beginning to catch up," said Remillard. "They now know they can win on the road, and that's going to be a big help the rest of the way."

The young members of the team stepped up again at Swarthmore. Freshman Roland Chase won the 100-yard freestyle, classmate Grant Holicky won the 200-yard breaststroke, and rounding out the trio of first-year swimmers, Tony Diederich won the 200-yard backstroke.

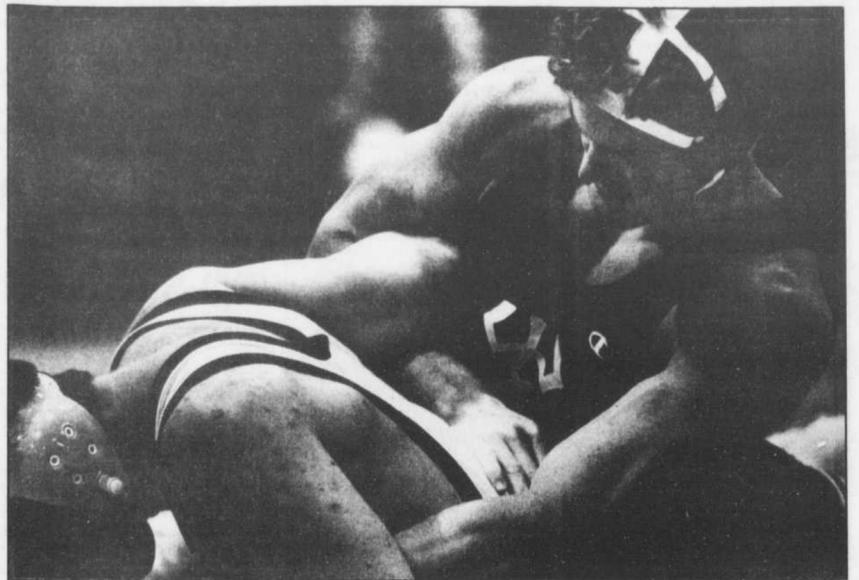
However, W&L's more experienced trio wasn't to be outdone. Senior Doug Brown, junior Andrew

Pearson and freshman John Rowe have been the team's most consistent swimmers all year.

Brown picked up two more victories with wins in the 1,000-yard freestyle and the 500-yard freestyle. Pearson won the 50-yard freestyle, and Rowe continued his impressive season with victories in the 200-yard i.m. and the 200-yard butterfly.

W&L won't swim again until Feb. 8 at Mary Washington. While the team will maintain its practice schedule, not having a meet for a while is a welcome break for the swimmers.

"It's nice to have a weekend off," said junior Chris Haggie.



Senior Peer Soderberg gains the upper hand on an opponent won twice en route to a second-place opponent in Saturday's W&L Invitational. W&L's finish in the 177-pound weight class.

Vitale calls a T.O. at W&L

By STEVE FUGITTE
Phi Staff Reporter

Dick Vitale had a capacity crowd at Washington and Lee's Warner Center gasping for breath Wednesday night.

ESPN's top college basketball analyst spoke on topics ranging from hoops to happiness in his usual machine gun style.

Vitale is speaking in support of his new book, *Time Out, Baby*. The book recounts the 1990-1991 basketball season from Vitale's unique perspective.

Used to crowds upwards of 22,500 in the Rupp Arena and Smith Centers of America, W&L's Warner Center was a change of venue for the analyst who usually attends the biggest games in the country.

Although not the big-time, Vitale had nothing but good things to say about Generals' basketball.

"They don't have a lot of size or bulk, but they got heart, baby," Vitale said after viewing W&L's 21-point loss to Hampden-Sydney.

Vitale admitted being in W&L's high school-sized gym brought back memories of coaching high school



Photo by Leigh Allen, The Ring-tum Phi

ESPN's Dick Vitale signs copies of his book *Time Out, Baby* in the W&L Bookstore yesterday. Vitale also spoke in the Warner Center and college basketball.

After clawing his way to the head coaching job of the Detroit Pistons, Vitale couldn't believe he was getting paid so much to coach a game he loved.

"I deserved more money when I was teaching at the high school level," he said.

Vitale's dismissal from the Pistons led him to broadcasting, where he developed the unique style he brought to ESPN in the 1979-1980

basketball season. His legend has been increasing ever since.

He was voted Sports Personality of the Year in 1989 by the American Sportscasters Association, an honor that comes from his peers.

But the success has not gone to "Dickie V's" head. He loves what he does.

"I've got it made. Getting paid to watch the best players in the nation night in and night out. It's been fun city, U.S.A."

Soderberg places second in Invitational

By JACOB KIMBALL
Phi Staff Reporter

In the 15th annual Washington and Lee Invitational, the Generals as a team had an off day, but co-captain Peer Soderberg continued to wrestle impressively.

Longwood captured the team championship with 81 points, La Salle's Vinne Ernst was the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler, and Soderberg was by far W&L's best wrestler.

Soderberg extending his match winning streak to six by handily defeating his first two opponents.

In the first round, Soderberg opened a 14-0 lead against Daniel Roadcap of Newport News Apprentice before pinning him. He shut out Bryan Hartley of Longwood

in the second round to earn a shot at the 177-pound championship, something he desperately wanted.

"I came close in the three previous years, so I really wanted to win it," said Soderberg.

Soderberg's obstacle to the championship was NNA fifth-year senior Art Whitaker. Soderberg was shaken by his more experienced opponent.

"I was not intimidated by him because we were physically even," he said. "But, even though we were equal in terms of strength, his experience gave him the edge."

Whitaker defeated Soderberg and ended his six-match winning streak.

Despite the defeat, Soderberg has been content with his performance of late.

"I wasn't happy with the way I wrestled before Christmas break, but two law school students, Mike Carlson and Sam Roots, have been wrestling with me at practice," he said. "Now, I am pleased with my wrestling."

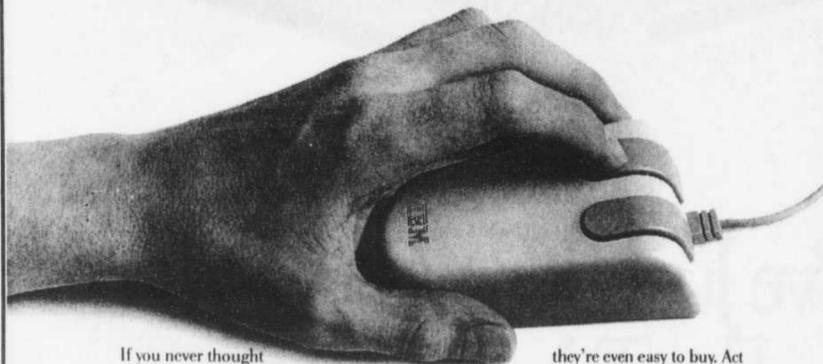
Five W&L wrestlers placed in the top four of their weight classes. John Cochran, Adam Williams, John Cherry, John Conkling, joined Soderberg in the top four.

The team plans to bounce back in this weekend's Mid-South tournament in Jefferson City, Tennessee.

W&L's task this weekend is simple.

"All we need to do is be more focused and aggressive."

"After I plugged it in, everything clicked for me."



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