The students of the nine law schools who belong to the SELPC (Southeastern Law Placement Consortium) are invited to attend a recruiting weekend in Atlanta — October 28, 29, and 30, 1978. Those who wish to attend are to participate. Last year in Birmingham the representatives of 35 firms, agencies, etc. interviewed over 200 students. The total number of interviews that weekend came to more than one thousand.

We expect more prospective employers to be in Atlanta this year. The following are, at this date, signed up: Morrison & Foerster, San Francisco; Lewis & Roca, Phoenix; Boothel Area Legal Assistance Program, Carthage, Missouri; New York County District Attorney, New York; New York City Bar Association, Washington, D.C.; Cosne, Cameron & Parsons, Dallas, Texas; Beach & Madison & Stratton, San Francisco; Fuselier, Ott, McKee & Flowers, Jackson, Mississippi; Henkel & Lamon, Atlanta; Ernst & Ernst, Atlanta; Sotiro & Johnson, Washington, a leg party. The most inexpensive form of transportation is to carpool.

On Monday, September 18, a sign-up sheet will be posted. In about a week those interested will meet to ask questions and hear further details.

**BSA Rep Aims To Keep MW “in touch”**

by Richard Sherman

Greetings. With the undergraduates now back on campus, education is again in full flower at William and Mary. As you know, the Regency Commission (BSA representative), I intend to use this column to keep you up to date on happenings of interest all over campus.

The first BSA meeting was on Tuesday, Sept. 12; unfortunately, I cannot reveal what happened, since the Amicus deadline was the day before. BSA meetings will be bi-weekly, with the next one on Sept. 26 at 2:30 p.m. in room C of the Campus Center, and everyone is invited to attend. A major concern this year appears to be attempting to implement an open final examination policy on campus.

For anyone interested in learning about all aspects of campus organizations, I have placed a copy of Student Association publication in the SBA office on top of the mail slots. This explains the functions of all campus organizations, such as the BSA, College-wide committees, Past men. It would be good reading for those of you who feel out of touch with college activities. Most clubs and organizations on campus, such as Circle K or Young Democrats are open to all students, if you want to become involved.

The Amicus weekly column this Friday (9-15) are “Sorceror” and “Ten Little Indians” by Agathis Chrise and William and Mary Hall. Movie passes ($6.00) which are good both semesters, can be picked up at the door to the films. A list of all upcoming movies is in the above mentioned publication.

Any law student interested in getting his/her personal picture in the college yearbook ($3.25), needs to reserve a time by Friday, Sept. 15, at 4:30 in the Colonial Echo Office, second floor of the Campus Center. Pictures will be taken through Sept. 22. Your tuition has already paid for a yearbook, but a personal picture costs extra. I mention this in that a law school yearbook is tentatively in the works for this year. More later.

I am your BSA representative, so if you have any concerns such as housing or parking that you would like me to voice to college officials, please call me at 220-208, or catch me in the halls. Please remember, I represent the law faculty on the BSA and am on the Finance Committee. I am on the Environment Housing Committee. Either of us will try our best to answer any of your questions.

**Toga Party Promises To Be ‘Wild and Crazy’**

It’s “Toga Time” again! The 2nd annual Toga, Toga, Toga Party is to be held this weekend, Friday, September 15th, at the Campus Center Coliseum Ballroom. If it is anything like the 1st annual it will be an event no one will forget. As you all know, this year’s Toga Party was awarded the “Best Party of the Year” at the Law School Awards Banquet. This year’s promises to be better than last year’s madhouse event.

Remember, at Toga I there was a tragic beginning. Deanna Spongin was sitting among his knives when a small woman pierced his flesh with a dagger. In his pain and anguish he slowly mumbled those memorable words, “Et tu, Drusus!”, to which she replied, "LET’S PARTY ROMANS!" And the party began. Senator Tommy Steverson having the heart hummed some Steedey Dan lyrics about "My Old School", but we all knew that wouldn’t do. Professor Vodka Kollins saved the day when he appeared, forgetting his toga (a 1st Amendment right?) and frightened poor Timmy away.

It was truly a wild and crazy night. As the over 500 toga clad hedonists drank and played to the nite publicized music of Elvis, the Williamsburg community sought a TRO to halt this madness. The wisdom of Rendlemonic logic prevailed and the injunctive relief was denied. In keeping with Virginia precedent the judge stated, “First, I do not understand the law, and furthermore, I would just be overruled by the Supreme Court anyway.”

Then added, “Besides, I am committed to the principle that four generations of idiots are enough. How right he was! As Andrusa Thurman crawled from the muck of Lake Matoaka claiming to be the Creature from the Black Lagoon, all beck broke out. He was viciously slain by the lance of the famous gladiator of the Black Lagoon, all hell broke loose. A little Caesars Stassun, always prepared, restored order with military coolness and in a martial law tone spoke the wise words, “You can’t have your corpus delicti and eat it too!”

For this day one has figured out what Sparticus meant to say but the shrewd plot of that nice guy had worked again.

As the stumper of the evening became one cloud of obliqueness it was time for the famous Roman Chair Races. As race after race occurred those sitting in the front row always seemed to be the first and those in the last row finished last. Curses on res ipsa loquitur! Overlooking this excitement the monotonous recitation by the lawyers who franticly ripped the book off the shelf. "NEVER HAVING FINISHED THE LECTURE FOR TODAY, WE WILL MEET TO DISCUSS APPEAL ARGUMENTS AND SEARCH FOR A SEVERAL SHOWING BIT OF APPARENT MISTAKE RE RECOGNITION." As the stupor of the evening worked again.

**A Better Year On “P add”**

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America, a professional group of those students who are interested in trial practice, plans a full schedule of events for the fall semester.

The ATLA at Marshall-Wythe is another of the nation’s many ATLA, an influential association of practicing trial attorneys. Membership in the Marshall-Wythe Student Chapter entitles the member to participate in the annual hardcover publication devoted to significant trends in litigation.

ATLA President Barbara Swatting has planned several events for the semester, including a speech featuring a drug and search and seizure and a seminar on insanity as it applies to litigation.

Eminent Legalists To Lecture

On September 18, 19, and 20, the Moot Court Board, with the assistance of Dean Spool, will present the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association’s lecture series. The topics will cover the basics of oral argument and brief writing skills.

Mr. Thomas C. Gordon, Esq. will speak on September 18 on the legal aspects of the Virginia Attorney General’s Office. Mr. Gordon has served as a Justice on the Supreme Court of Virginia and is presently a partner in McGuire, Woods and Battle in Richmond.

On September 19, Mr. Emmanuel Erskine, Esq. will lecture on the techniques of appellate argument from the perspective of representing plaintiffs; Mr. Erskine is a Past President of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association and an author with Judge M. Ray Doubles and Judge Robert Merhige of Virginia jury instructions.

Mr. Thomas V. Monahan, Esq. will discuss appellate arguments on September 20 from the viewpoint of representing defendants; Mr. Monahan is a Past President of the Virginia Bar Association and a Past President of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association and is presently a partner in the firm of Winston, Wingo, Jackson and West in Winchester, Virginia.

All three lectures will begin at approximately 7:00 p.m. All students who are participating in the Intramural Moot Court program are expected to attend these lectures. All other students are cordially invited.
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One of the few things that every law student should know, which is that craft and guile will conquer skill any day, was demonstrated to us once again a few Saturdays back at the annual PDP-PAD softball game.

A little stage setting is in order. PDP, that fine and noble organization to which we belong, has for the past four years demonstrated in convincing fashion its athletic superiority over the lesser band by trouncing them at softball. But, alas, times change, and it must be confessed that this year the bad guys held a slight but significant edge over our crew in both number and skill of jocks. The reason for this, of course, is that PDP goes in for a more well-rounded, Renaissance sort of individual such as ourselves. However, this did not change the fact that things looked bad for the side of the angels when it came to softball.

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Domination Of MW Softball

Continuing a domination that has stretched five years, the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi defeated PAD in one of the most strategically coached softball games in recent memory. The PDP crew, bolstered by judicious portions of Miller, conquered the hapless challengers by the score of 11-10.

PAD President Jim Hixon expressed frustration after the tough contest. “We relied on quality.” Hixon said. “We had the entire Blackacre team, the law school’s best, out there, but we couldn’t beat our own guys and that defense.”

PDP’s jubilant Magister Andy Thurman explained his brilliant, game-winning strategy. “They had all the talent, and were the heavy favorites to win. But we signed on Ward Eason, who played out his option with them last year, and I figured they couldn’t hit it over our seventeen man defense. Those two things were what we needed to win.”

PAD was paced by Larry Davis, who was responsible for two two-run homers, but the victors were paced by the brilliant left-field field of Eason and the clutch, game-winning single over the heads of a shallow infield by PAD Essexcarville Card Hill.

It is rumored that Hixon, who protested the status of free agent Eason, has plans to seek revenge for his sad crew on the football field. When informed of this rumor, Magister Thurman magisterially responded, “They’re no competition.”

for those who are waiting in breathless anticipation, we, of course, played our usual consistent game: 0 for four at the plate and one error in as many chances in the field.

We are constrained to comment on what we feel is a most upsetting trend in the nature of this formerly excellent newspaper. As the more observant of you may have noticed, this rag has somehow lost its two steady former editors and is now being run by two women. Now we are very fond of women, in their place, of course, but any jackass knows that their presence is not running a newspaper. Please see page three
ANOTHER ONE?

The 1978-79 T-Shirt from P.D.P.

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Who Is This Person And What Is He Doing In Law School?

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Now really! We find it hard to believe that any right thinking member of Marshall-Wythe would be interested in reading of, say, a certain third year student whose nocturnal activities while at the Exeter Summer Session kept the professor who occupied the room below her awake all night. Nor does the satyric proclivities of her curly-haired counterpart towards undergraduate women deserve mention in a decent newspaper. We cannot believe that the law school would be edified by news of that second year chest hair every night to retain his supposedly macho image. And what hard working Legal Writing victim wants to take time out to read about the big-city perversion of a certain never write that kind of stuff, and are convinced that it would only appear in a "newspaper" run by women.

Discretion forbids us to say more.

Va. Grid Teams Hope To Combine For Winning Year

By Walter Williams and Bill Hopkins

Welcome to another year of exclusive Amicus Curiae sports coverage. This year, at the annual Amicus staff meeting in the Bahamas (you paid for it), the editors unanimously agreed to extend the paper's sports coverage beyond the intramural scope. That's right, the readers are stuck with putting up with our opinions of the statewide, the national, and, God forbid, the international sports scene. So now, with your indulgence, we unabashedly present our evaluation of the upcoming in-state college football season.

University of Richmond - The Spiders look to improve last year's record (3-4). Seventeen starters return, including ten on defense. The defense, anchored by All-Americans candidate safety Jeff Nixon, will be the key to the Spiders' season. The Richmond offense remains questionable as the Spiders have no set quarterback, but they have some proven running backs. The Spiders should improve on last year's dismal record.

Virginia Tech - Under new head coach Bill Dooley, the Fighting Root-bags, better known as the Hokies, hope to improve on last year's 3-7-1.

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Bliss Drifting On To New Waters

Mr. Nelson Bliss, third year Marshall-Wythe law student and sometimes poet, has just had a book of verse entitled "SOMETIMES" published by Vantage Press. The book will be sold in this area and in Florida.

Mr. Bliss graduated with a B.S. in Systems Engineering from the Naval Academy in 1969. He went on to get a M.S. in the same field from Texas A & M. He served on board the Polaris submarine USS Alexander Hamilton, and left the Navy in November 1976 to attend Law school full time.

Mr. Bliss has kindly permitted us to publish two of the poems from his book.

Camping

Half asleep
On a rock
In a river
Soaking up the sun
Like the elderly lizard
Who rules an adjacent rock.
Through a half-closed eye
I watch as he dines
On an occasional fly
And marvel at his energy.
I think back to my love of last night
And marvel at my energy.

On The Beach

We walked on the beach
The wind in our face
We sat at our back
Our hands displaced.
Both walking in step
That chill winter ever
Not saying a word
Not having the need.
Thinking together
What happened that day
And knowing our love
Would not pass away.

AMICUS CURIAE QUOTE OF THE FORTNIGHT:

"However, all women are not prostitutes," Professor Whyte explaining a case to his criminal law class.

Toga, Cont'd

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togas would be presented so that they could be used on resumes. Awards went to Chandelle Kinsey for the best "Bikini Toga," to Guinneous Statton for the best "Satin-Sheet Toga," to Gregarious Marshall for the best "Neon Toga," to Jerkus Margoliou for the most "Stained Toga," and to Vodka Kollins for the most "Naked Toga."

As dust turned to dust and ashes were buried, the clean-up committee emerged. The only two to maintain standing throughout this trial by ordeal were Davis and Heppler. As they raked piles of togas and undergarments into the blazing bonfire they knew it was best to never seek the identities of their burning owners.

Although much discussion about Ban the Toga was heard, all criminal charges stemming from that event have been dropped and the popular cry of "Toga! Toga! Toga!" is now ringing again throughout the Land of Wythe. This year's 2nd annual festival, back by popular demand, begins at 8 o'clock with a new and improved Animal House Punch guaranteed to kill more brain cells per ounce than any other drug or chemical.

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Ask Uncle Doug

Uncle Doug's Advice Column: Serving the Williamsburg legal education community in its fearless fashion for yet another year.

Dear Uncle Doug,

There is this kid that sits beside me in my evidence class. This person wants to trade me her snake for my turtle. And I have always wanted a snake for a pet but her snake has these lumps all over it. She says that the lumps are OK but I have never seen a snake with that kind of lumps on it before. Tell me, would this be a good deal or not?

Fred

Dear Fred,

I hope that your turtle is healthy. Healthy turtles make nicer pets than lumpy snakes. Maybe the poor snake should have attention to see what can be done. What caused the lumps anyway? Larvae, maggots, abscesses, tumors, or malignancy?

Dear Uncle Doug,

I will graduate soon. But I didn't take the course where you learn to write advertising to go in the paper. How can I advertise my talents?

Third Year Student

Dear Third,

Be modest and try something like "The inevitable delayed if not prevented; confusion occurs amongst your adversaries; skulls greased for favorable regulatory rulings, preferments, subsidies and absolusions; and guidance through various mazes of words and people" in your local paper. Lawyers are the original advertising men and need formal courses in advertising. So watch what you say around the Curriculum Committee.

Dear Uncle Doug,

Could you please tell me about the painter who painted the abstract expressionist pictures I see around the law school?

Morris

Dear Morris,

Little is known and less has been written of the artist. But few serious followers of the arts are not moved by the oeuvres. The blue seems to represent the horizon. The shape symbolizes The Book. The writing is not out of tune with the placid and peaceful tone of the pictures and is probably the work of vanals. The atmosphere is virile, a fume instillable. The futility pervades. Is the gloss rural, rustic, shimmering waters? The subtle beauty taxes my small power to convey. But hard. Notice the lines which form to view these pictures. See how the faithful often loosen their garments upon sight of the masterpieces. And many even shed one or more tears before them.

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**Placement Procedures**

by Louise Murtagh

Job hunting is something everyone must do for himself, but the Placement Office will do everything it can to help — searching for job opportunities to pass along to students and for information that would be helpful to the job hunter.

In writing the potential employer directly, explain your interest and enclose a resume. Address the letter to a specific individual rather than merely to “Gentlemen.” If possible, select from the list of partners and associates a Marshall-Wythe alumnus to direct your letter.

If there isn’t one, address yourself to the youngest partner whose name appears in the firm title. Such information is available in Martindale-Hubbell, volumes of which are in the library and in the Placement Office. If you are writing a firm we have contacted, more than likely we have the name of the person to whom you should write.

We hesitate to compose a sample letter, but can recommend certain points to touch upon. Introduce yourself and express your interest in learning more about the firm. If someone recommended them to you, tell them who did. Mention your interest in their particular field of practice and tell them what contact you have had related to that field if you have not already listed them in your resume. Most important, discuss why exactly you are interested in living in their geographic area. You may also state what particular qualifications you have for taking the bar examination for that state. If you are sure of the city you wish to work in, seriously consider going there on your own expense.

There is available in the Placement Office a list of those firms, etc. who will receive an LEAA grant and will be able to hire a summer clerk. There are opportunities to pass along to students who will come to the Placement Office and Office will post about three weeks scheduled, and will stay posted for approximately a week. It is up to each student to check the Placement Board on the second floor for these notices, and to sign up. All signing is done on a first come, first serve basis. Once all students have signed up, their resumes will be sent to the interviewing firm. If there are more interviews than times allotted, it will be up to the firm to select the students it will interview. Our office will post a final list of students and the times they will be interviewed.

Be sure to check the board frequently.

Large law firms, government corporations, institutions with house counsel and the military are able to know in the fall what their hiring needs will be for the following spring or summer. They send their representatives on campus to interview as early as the beginning of the year as possible. Thus, fall is known as the “rush.” Fall is also the time that new associates will look for job openings, and so we hesitate to compose a sample letter. But we can recommend certain points to touch upon.

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If you are writing a firm that does not have a LEAA grant and will not be able to hire a summer clerk, you should be sure to indicate your interest in living in their geographic area. You may also state what particular qualifications you have for taking the bar examination for that state. If you are sure of the city you wish to work in, seriously consider going there on your own expense.

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St. Norbert at Austin Peay

Chattanooga at La. Tech

Weber State at Fresno State

Tiebreaker

Sophie Newcombe at Agnes Scott

**September 23**

Auburn at Virginia Tech

Youngstown at Ashland

Columbia at Harvard

Yale at Brown

South Carolina at Howard State

Alabama at Southern Cal

Michigan at Notre Dame

**Total Points**

**2nd Annual TOGA PARTY**

Animal House Punch

Food Games

T.V. for Ali-Spinks

Music Dancing

Grand Ball Room

Sept 15th

Jon Margiolas displays what he hopes to be winning form for the tennis tournament which is now under way and culminates on Oct. 7 at an awards party.