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Bushrod T. Washington Tournament Concludes

BY KEN ALMY '86

The 1986 Bushrod Washington Memorial Appellate Advocacy Tournament ended with a flourish this past Sunday. Donna Larsen was the winner of this annual extravaganza. The tournament had commenced over a week ago as the second-year-neophytes to the thrill and excitement of oral arguments, brought their heavily-linked file folders to argue great constitutional issues in the Moot Court Room and class rooms. By Friday night the field had narrowed to eight: Latane Ware, Donna Larsen, Cynthia Mulligan, Judith Ott, Kevin Gaynor, Debbie Hanes, Cynthia Mulligan and Richard Gibbons.

Saturday morning the next round was argued and the field cut to four: Latane Ware, Donna Larsen, Judith Ott, and Kevin Gaynor.

The next step in the Moot Court season is the team selection. Marshall-Wythe has traditionally supported several moot court teams which have participated in tournaments around the country. The selection process for this year's team has changed somewhat from selections in years past. Previously, the eight quarter-finalists in the Bushrod tournament qualified as members of the National Team. This year, however, the selection process is different.

Every second year who participated in the Bushrod Tournament has been invited to try out for membership on any one of eight moot court teams. Under a complicated formula which will combine elements of the applicant's brief score, score in a short try-out argument, average score in the Bushrod Tournament and consideration of the round to which the individual rose in that Tournament, 25 individuals will be selected for the moot court teams.

By the time this paper goes to print, this process should be completed. Tonight, those 25 individuals will be able to choose, in order of their ranking, the moot court team on which they wish to compete.

With the stakes high the four argued to the finalists' slots on Saturday afternoon. Donna Larsen and Kevin Gaynor emerged victorious. On Sunday, before the Super Bowl, the two argued before Dean Sullivan, Vice Dean Williamson and Professor Nichol. Donna Larsen was announced the winner. Congratulations are to be extended to all who qualified for the final three rounds.

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Law Students and Alumni Urge Tenure for Corr

Law students presented a petition with approximately 350 signatures to Dean Timothy J. Sullivan on Wednesday, January 15. The petition called for extending tenure to Prof. J. Bernard Corr, and is part of an ongoing show of support in response to reports of votes denying Corr tenure and promotion. "Dean Sullivan was very receptive to the petition," stated a member of the presenting group. "He felt the students' manner of reacting has been professional. Nevertheless, he declined to comment, stressing his concern for the privacy of all concerned." Letters addressing the matter are still being submitted to the Dean, and students have received acknowledgments of their letters.

Law alumni have also demonstrated support for Corr. According to James Shapiro, class of 1968, "word has spread like wildfire. Many alumni have sent letters and have called in support of Prof. Corr. Many of us owe our jobs to him." Apparently confirming the truth of Shapiro's statement, members of the law firm of Hanes, Sevila, Saunders and McChall addressed a letter to Dean Sullivan stating "Although we are not graduates of Marshall-Wythe, we urge you to vote to grant Professor Corr tenure. We were tremendously impressed not only with Professor Corr's interest in promoting your law school, but also with the time and energy he expended in attending our placement efforts. In fact, we were so impressed with Professor Corr that we thereafter chose to interview exclusively at Marshall-Wythe."

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Marshall-Wythe School of Law
Weather in Vain

This winter fervently hoped to get through this winter without having to hear about William and Mary's campus closing policy (or its absence). But Tuesday morning, lying in bed watching the snow pile outside my window and listening to a bewildered disc jockey on the campus station tell his listeners that he did not know if classes would be cancelled, I realized that some things never change.

Administrators on the main campus make the decision to close classes during inclement weather. Apparently they do so reluctantly, for the only cancellations in recent memory was during last fall's anticipated hurricane. This was a wise move, but it ought not to take the threat of 90-mile-an-hour winds to shut classroom doors for a day.

For that matter, why not close for half a day? On the radio I heard that some of our neighboring institutions merely cancelled morning classes. That would keep the campus from grinding to a total halt, yet still eliminate the danger and inconvenience posed by icy roads.

Perhaps the main campus administrators hesitate to close classes because most undergraduates live on campus and don't have to commute dangerous distances. Perhaps they fear that irresponsible undergraduates will indulge in the fine art of dormitory destruction, even at this less-than-homeward campus. Perhaps they fear that makeup classes will push fall exams into Christmas and spring exams into Memorial Day. None of these reasons should apply to law students, most of whom commute to school (some from Newport News, Yorktown, or even Richmond), don't live in dorms, and have little trouble scheduling makeup classes. Yet administrators on South Henry Street seem to have the power to close schools of their own accord. That decision must be made on the main campus. And it isn't made very often.

Some professors close classes when snow closes public streets. That's a good idea. We wish more professors did it. In the meantime, be very careful when driving to class on snowy mornings, and try not to park where someone will slip on the ice and dent your car. That's about all we can do.

(J.O.A.)

Letters to the Editor

Moot Court

Lobby Litter

Dear Editor:

A typical day at law school unfolds. Cruising down Marshall-Wythe's winding lot, one notes all the cars illegally parked across the street and on local roads. (By the way, that's an Honor Code violation.) After a short eternity a parking spot is found. The building and the grounds itself are kept spotless and give off the appearance of order in Williamsburg. Credit for this, however, does not go to the student body. No, it goes to the maintenance people who work so hard at following all the disgusting slobs, or law students who habitually trash the confines of Marshall-Wythe, those students who see little trouble on the service people that they can barely stand to let them pick up the mess left behind, and never, ever say thanks, or even hello.

The inside of the building is different, unfortunately, because here the students are mopped together creating such a deluge of trash that no one can keep up with it. Upon entering the lobby one sees all the familiar sights. The lobby doves are all huddled together, as they sometimes have to hurriedly gather this morning to discuss everything that has happened in their life since they last left the dorms. It is no worse, as the world's only walking, talking greeting card.

And of course the morning's collection has already begun. The collection of coffee cups, candy wrappers, ciggie butts, etc. that beautifully grace our lobby, some even artistically combined together to look as if they may actually be alive, oozing and melting as they change their organic structure. Who here dare to say that such things eaten, smoked or drunk are off limits in the lobby? Yes, nothing out of the ordinary today.

Settling into a classroom it again becomes apparent that some students either cannot pass the simplest of literacy tests (i.e., the signs which read "no smoking, no beverages, no food") or they simply do not care. One wonders which possibility is scarier.

Although the problem seems to be one of simple anachronism, I believe that future boards should definitively review such a narrow-minded decision. Future boards should definitely review such a narrow-minded decision. Future boards should definitively review such a narrow-minded decision.

Sincerely,

Jerry Kilgore '86
Member of National Moot Court Team

Student Evaluations

Dear Editor:

Faculty tenure and promotion has drawn a lot of attention lately. We students are affected by the outcome of decisions about faculty; therefore, our concern is appropriate. Students do not have a vote in determining faculty status, but we do have a voice. This voice is most effective when it is heard early in the decision-making process.

Student evaluations of faculty members are solicited mainly at two times: (1) during each class at some point during the semester, and (2) by notice in the fall before a status decision is made. The weight given student evaluations is unclear; nevertheless, they are a factor in status decisions. Therefore, we students should take maximum advantage of these opportunities to submit comments.

Well-written, reasoned comments committed in advance of the final decision will not be disregarded.

Mary Alice Rowan '86
Gubernatorial Aides to Discuss Their Roles

Four prominent gubernatorial aides representing every Governor of Virginia since World War II will meet on Thursday, February 13 at 4:30 p.m. at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. According to Dean Timothy J. Sullivan, the panel will engage in a rare discussion of their roles in advising the Governor of Virginia, which has been identified in many studies as among the most powerful offices in the nation.

The panel members include Carter O. Lowance, who was executive assistant to Governor beginning with Lindsay Almond and continuing through Governor Mills Godwin's first and second terms. Mr. Lowance has also been senior legislative assistant to Governor John D. Dalton. He has been a senior legislative assistant to United States Senator John Warner and is currently Assistant Administrator for External Affairs of the Environmental Protection Agency.

David K. McClund served as press secretary and speech writer for Governor Linwood Henton. Mr. Blackford is currently editor of the Virginia Quarterly Review and special assistant to the President of the University of Virginia.

Jennifer Ney Johnson served as senior executive assistant to Governor John N. Dalton. She has been a senior legislative assistant to United States Senator John Warner and is currently Assistant Administrator for External Affairs of the Environmental Protection Agency.

This discussion will be guided by noted columnist and author Guy Friddle of the Norfolk Virginia Pilot. Mr. Friddle is the author of eight books and is widely admired for his understanding of Virginia and its political leaders.

“Discussion this should appeal to any student who is interested in public service, politics, government or history,” stated Dean Sullivan, who organized the event.

“IT will give students a unique opportunity to find out how government really works.”

The discussion will receive media coverage and may be televised by the Richmond public television network for broadcast to the public, and tickets may be distributed.
A Letter from President Verkuil

President Announces Self Study Committee

To the College Community:

The recently completed Self-Study of the College observes that it has been twenty years since William and Mary and Mary has undertaken a comprehensive review of its honor and student judicial systems and it recommends that a detailed study be undertaken "in the near future". Acknowledging that there have been efforts to fine-tune our policies and procedures on a regular basis, the report suggests that a more comprehensive study is needed to insure that our student judicial systems remain sensitive to changing circumstances in the College community and in society as a whole. Even one of our most cherished traditions, the Honor System (founded at William and Mary in 1776), it observes, can be strengthened by periodic debate and review. In the past few months, the undergraduate Honor Council and the Dean of Student Affairs have also recommended that we undertake the kind of review proposed in the Self-Study.

With this broad agreement on the importance and timeliness of such a study, I am pleased to announce the appointment of a college-wide panel to review our student judicial systems and to make recommendations concerning how they might be improved. Professor Jack D. Edwards, Chairman of the Department of Government, has agreed to chair the panel which will be constituted as follows:

Faculty: Jack Edwards, Chairman; Walter Felton, School of Law; Michael Goldberg, Religion; Virginia Laycock, School of Education; Robert Noonan, Computer Science; Thomas Shepard, History; John Zeigler, VMS.

Students: Kelly Doyle, '85; David Callahan, '86; Virginia F. Miller, '86; John Garde, Marshall-Wythe School of Law, '86; Kevin J. Lee, Graduate School of Business Administration, '86.

Administration: Amy Jarmon, Director of Academic Support.

Several other individuals have agreed to serve in a consultative role to the panel. These persons include Phyllis B. Butterfield, Assistant Attorney General; Richard E. Walick, Professor of Law Emeritus; Richard S. Cumbee, Director of Campus Police; and Fred Fotis, Director of Residence Life.

The Committee is specifically charged with the responsibility of reviewing the honor and judicial systems of the College to determine the extent to which they are effective and appropriate for the current and future needs of the campus community. It is being asked to undertake the study and issues related to its charge with the purpose of making recommendations to this Board and the Dean of Student Affairs. The Committee is expected to submit its findings and recommendations by the end of the Spring 1986 semester. Among the issues the Committee is being asked to address are:

1. What are the behaviors the College should seek to regulate? In other words, what is the standard of conduct we expect from our students?

2. What regulations are necessary to insure that these standards are met? Do these regulations apply to all students or are there permissible differences between undergraduate and graduate students?

3. How should group conduct be regulated? When are individuals responsible for group behavior? How should the conduct of registered organizations be treated within the system?

4. How should violations of College regulations be handled? What should be dealt with by the honor system and what by the disciplinary system? Should there continue to be separate council committees for each graduate school and one for undergraduates or should these be combined in some fashion? How should incidents be handled? Are there new structures which should be considered? What should be the role and the authority of the adviser in the adjudication process?

5. Under what circumstances should students be subject to both college procedures and those of the court?

6. What procedures would best insure prompt adjudication of allegations of wrongdoing? Are there adequate means of insuring due regard for individual rights of the accused and those of the offended? What should be the role and the authority of the administration in the adjudication process?

7. What are appropriate penalties for College violations? Are current penalties effective? Are there new ones which should be considered? What should the College's position be with regards to the retention of a permanent record of penalties imposed?

I encourage the members of the College community to share their ideas on these issues with the members of the committee and express my appreciation to the members of the panel for their willingness to undertake this important task.

Paul R. Verkuil
President

January 22, 1986

Spong, Verkuil At M-W

Dean Spong will return to Marshall-Wythe to teach Legal Profession.

The Advocate Thursday, January 30, 1986

Profile: Walter Wadlington

This semester Marshall-Wythe has the good fortune to host Walter J. Wadlington, a visiting professor teaching Family Law. Wadlington, who has taught law since 1960, is the James Madison Professor of Law and a Professor of Legal Medicine at the University of Virginia. Wadlington describes himself as a "workaholic," as indeed he must be to handle the logistics of keeping his three books—Cases and Materials on Domestic Relations, Cases and Materials on Law and Medicine, and Children in the Legal System—up to date. Interested in family and medical law as these fields relate to children, Wadlington, who has four children of his own, states that "these are two of the most dynamic areas around. Changes go on so rapidly these fields are almost overly broad." Wadlington studies ways that law can respond to new technology, and is a member of a committee helping Humana evaluate an artificial human heart. Such projects limit the amount of time Wadlington can devote to his other interests, which include photography and outdoor sports.

Wadlington finds that teaching at other schools as a visiting professor is a positive experience. "I find it refreshing to meet different people and to see how different schools work," he states. "You can get narrow in your habits in one location. I value working with students—it keeps me younger than I probably am." Although he has "always had a high regard for the law school," Wadlington had spent little time at Marshall-Wythe resulting in overstay. He was, however, "immediately pleased with the rapport among the student body. The school has a nice size and a nice feeling. My initial reactions to the school are very favorable." Judging from comments made by M-W students, the feeling is mutual.

Professor Walter Wadlington, above, at home in the classroom.

Be an Advocate correspondent!
Law School Dorm May Be Built

BY LIZ KAUFFMAN '87

On March 3, the Virginia General Assembly will consider funding for a new graduate student dormitory at William and Mary. At a projected cost of $1.6 million, the new building will provide single rooms for 75 students, primarily law students.

On-campus graduate housing currently offers only 136 places for a population of 980 full-time and 555 part-time graduate students.

In response, the Board of Visitors has directed that 20% of graduate students be provided on-campus housing. The new dorm will hopefully alleviate the housing crunch facing many entering students, as well as provide a safe and convenient location.

The Richmond architectural firm of Wright, Jones, and Wilkerson submitted the "pre-planning" study. After considering three possible sites, the planners decided on a location southeast of the law school, adjacent to the parking lot.

The new dorm, said to say, will use existing parking facilities at Marshall-Wythe. No new parking is expected.

Construction is slated to begin in the spring of 1987. Occupancy is scheduled for July, 1988. The building will consist of three units or "pods", each two stories high with a central entrance. Each pod will have a lounge/dining area, central bath facilities, a group study room, and a computer room. The outside will be brick, designed to blend with the other law school buildings. All bedrooms will be singles, 12' by 10'. Rental rates to students are not available yet.

The plan for the new law school dorm, as designed by Wright, Jones & Wilkerson of Richmond.

Circled area on map shows new dorm location.
Libel Night Meeting

What is it?
Libel Night is the annual verbal, musical and dramatic dissection of the professor, the administration, the school in general, and certain choice students. Past Libel Nights have been terrific shows—last year, we had to turn away people at the door.

Do I have to get on stage?
No, though we end up having more problems getting people off the stage! We need writers, crew, props, musicians, singers, and anyone else besides.

THE MEETING IS TONIGHT,
AT 7:30 PM, IN ROOM 120

The meeting will take about 30 minutes—long enough to see who is interested, and brainstorm on ideas for skits. If you have the slightest yearning to participate, please come to this meeting!

If you absolutely cannot attend (your dog chewed up your car tires), put your name in Terri Reicher or Margy McHugh’s hanging file with your ideas.
Remember, Thursday, January 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Fair Notice

Mediation Speaker

The Women’s Law Society will present Mr. Robert C. Roadley to speak on his experience in the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service as part of the Society’s continuing series on “Alternative Careers in Law.” Mr. Roadley worked for the FMCS for over thirty years and is currently an arbiter in the Tidewater area. The program begins at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4 in Room 124.

Wadlington on Medical Law

Prof. Walter Wadlington, Visiting Professor from the University of Virginia and author of the book, Cases and Materials on Law and Medicine, will hold an open discussion on medical law issues on Thursday, January 30 at 6:00 p.m. in room 124. Wadlington will give an overview of careers in medical law, discussing current trends and availability. He will also discuss any other medical law topics of interest to participants.

SBA Sponsors

GOOD GUYS

The S.B.A. will bring the celebrated Good Guys and William & Mary’s The Wake to Trinkle Hall on Saturday, February 8. The Good Guys have produced an album, “A System of Grooves,” but are more widely known for their exceptionally danceable live performances. Besides playing colleges and clubs all along the east coast, the band has opened for reggae stars Steel Pulse, British pop-ska artists UB40, War, and Modern English. And, according to many area music critics, The Good Guys have out-rocked them all. Theirs is a name which does not lie. The Wake, local listenables, will open the show at 9:15. Admission is $3.00.

Students Honor Martin Luther King

January 30 marked the first celebration of the newest national holiday, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. To commemorate the day and honor the man, the Minority Recruitment Committee and the Black Law Students’ Association (BALS) sponsored an hour-long program last Monday. The ceremony included speeches, dramatic readings, and singing.

The program had a three part theme. First, the life and achievements of Dr. King were presented. The facts of his life were recounted to the audience, followed by a commentary by Kenneth Gresham, ’87, on the theme “King, The Man.” Two roving dramatic readings ensued. The first, by William Henderson, ’88, was Dr. King’s acceptance speech of the Nobel Peace Prize. In that speech, Dr. King stressed the need for mankind to seek peaceful solutions. The second speech, performed by Pleasant Brodnax, ’86, was the famous “I have a dream” speech in which Dr. King relayed his vision of an America where all men and women could live together without fear and without prejudice. The members of BALS led the audience in the song “Lift Every Voice And Sing.”

The second portion of the program examined the problem of a dream deferred. Readings of poems by Langston Hughes and Sonia Sanchez accompanied a talk by David Franzen, ’86, examining the disappointments and defeats of Black America in the 1950’s and 1960’s. In his talk, Franzen made special note of the position of Blacks in the legal profession and in Williamsburg.

The concluding part stressed the need to keep the dream of Dr. King, as well as the similar visions of others, vibrant and alive. Local poet Charles Sullivan read several of his poems and added his own personal thoughts on the day. The sponsors of the program hope that in the future the celebration and lessons of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day will become a regular facet of life at Marshall-Wythe.
Courtroom Sketches—
App Ad '86

By Wayne Melnick '88

Fearing that the tension may bring on a fainting spell, an appellant dons precautionary headgear.

Eventual champion responding to a justice who queried, "Did you even read the case you just cited?"

Inter-galactic travelers who accidentally teleported into the midst of App Ad report back, "These earthlings are a strange lot; they all wear grey outfits and sweat profusely."

Desperately needing a suit for the competition, one appellee is forced to borrow one which is slightly large.
Basketball Preseason Roundup

Several teams will represent Marshall-Wythe in this year's basketball season. These teams encompass different ability levels and possess very different reasons for participation. Nevertheless, The Advocate hopes to provide a pre-season outlook for all this year's entrants.

Leading the competition in the top-rated Rocke Pointe Dexter League are second-year power OTTOTTO. OTTOTTO boasts intramural 3x3 champions Captain Doug Sbertoli and Steve Baicker-McKee and the imposing front line of Rob Dickerson and Slummin' Kenny Gresham. With the addition of Tom Cook from 3x3 play contender "Ray Can't Cook," OTTOTTO should be among the league leaders. OTTOTTO also boasts a runner-up finish in the Campuswide pre-season tournament, losing by one to the Psycho-Sophomores.

Bruce Gibson's Wing Tips will also be a force. The Wing Tips carry two new members—point guard Steve Panoff and 1st-year sensation H.J. Scaggs. The two complement the strong combination of Jim Tait, Gibson, and Jeff Barnes. Randy Singer and Mike Hallaran will provide plenty of punch from the bench.

Rounding out the "A" League is Freddy's Freezer Foods, primarily composed of first-year talent. Bill Pose and Mark Kallenbach lead the newcomers. Second-year Jan Connely will add strength on the boards. Jeff Porter and Dave Coad round out a balanced attack.

The Seven Dwarves return for their second season. Eddie Isler feels that the Dwarves will be competitive in the Jan Boerwinkle league. Rob Schlaflack will combine with the formidable front line of Joe Dent and Chris Gleason to forge a very effective offensive threat.

Kevin Savig's B Bottles move from a very successful football season to compete in hoops for their initial season. Look for strong play from Paul Kugler and Jude Klena. If John Polise has the kind of season expected, the Bottles could surprise some people.

The Vermin enter their intramural twilight, but could be very strong if conflicting schedules and hangovers don't decimate the squad. Jim Strum and Allen Staley should add solid support to point guard Fritz Donner's outside attack. Captains Mike Moroney and Chip Barker will also contribute.

Men of Power, led by Pete Condon and Joe Cravens, will provide outside scoring to complement Bruise Brothers Neil Cabral and Jeff Styrin. Brian Fowle will be an able swing man.

Men of Power will be joined in the Jackie Gillon league by Ervin Reid's Absence of Talent and Erik Holm-Olsen's Young Hegelians. The Hegelians will count on Jim Winthrop, Mark Dowd, and Howard Van Dine for a successful year. "Magic" Reid's team boasts high-scoring Gino Williams and the solid inside play of Herbie Hecht. Having enough basketballs may be a problem, as Dave Puran and Chris Howe cite as their only goal to shoot more than the Mayor. This is truly a lofty ambition.

The Nevil Shed league boasts four teams: Captain Jon Hud-Besten of Ray Can't Sing and Dance looks to the back court play of first-years Trey Resolote and Rob Laney to supplement physical Lee Roberts and grad student Dave Rainey's inside game. Greg Davis and Bob Louthian give this team quite a bit of depth.

The 12-b-Sixers are led by Captain Doug Newcom and pivotman Miles Prillaman. Mark Mullins, Ron Ray and Mike Moore will support high-scoring Jim "Art" Short. John "Sparky" Haugh tries to rekindle the Team which will rely on Steve Kramer and Dave Franzaes, as well as Froogy Lehman.

The Sissy Boys hope not to be competitive this year and have picked just the right players to accomplish this goal. Chip Mortimer, Phil Dearborn, Eric Johnson, Ken Almy and many others will support the team with a very different approach to the game.

Finally, the Bouncing Barristers will represent Marshall-Wythe in women's play. Marie Daesing and Pat Miller lead a talented squad that includes Dawn Johnston, Erin Shoebly, and Diane Mazur. Professor Lynda Butler will join the team, which hopes to do well under new coach Tom Cook. Good luck to all the teams competing this year, and hope to see many of you in the playoffs in March.

M-W Wins B-Ball Championship

Once again the fine student-athletes that grace the halls of Marshall-Wythe have done law students here proud by displaying their varied talents in the world of sports. Doug Sbertoli, Rob Dickerson, Kenny Gresham and Steve Baicker-McKee comprised the finest entry in W&M's 3 on 3 basketball league, winning the Intramural Championship. These second-years continued on through a series of fielding outstanding contenders in virtually every sport. They are the first M-W team to capture a championship this year.

Hopefully, they will set the pace for more this season.

In addition to forming a solid core for a team in the 5 on 5 league, Dave, Rob, Kenny and Steve are advancing to a regional tournament sponsored by Schiek. They will be representing William and Mary and we all wish them the best of luck. Perhaps our heroes can bring a regional championship home to Marshall-Wythe, thereby providing us with a much-needed justification for throwing yet another celebration.