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Charles speaks at W&M's Charter Day

By ANDREW SMITH


Theaudience in the Hall seemed disarmed, and pleasantly surprised, by his quick, witty, and somewhat self-deprecating manner.

Prince Charles addresses the standing-room-only crowd at William and Mary Hall on W&M's 300th Anniversary.

Residence Life to evict law school squatters

By JOHN CROUCH

Law students in the Graduate Complex had better pack their bags and start looking for landlords. Only 47 current residents can live there next year, said Residence Life's Assistant Director Jerry Briggs. They will get rooms in a lottery in late March, April or perhaps even later.

Briggs spoke at a meeting of residents in the complex's lounge Monday night. He said that anyone who requests housing and pays a deposit of about $200 will be entered in a lottery. The lucky 47 students may "squat" in their apartments or request new ones. Residence Life wants student advice on whether people should apply individually or in apartment groups, but it dreads the complexity of offering both options. Many of those who lose out in the lottery will be offered rooms in late spring or summer.

Robert H. Atwell, President of the American Council on Education.

Consumer education burdens students

By PAULA HANNAFORD

A day-long conference held at William and Mary Hall Feb. 11 and sponsored by W&M's Thomas Jefferson Program in Education in America. A debate moderated by Roger Mudd, television journalist, and Carter Lowance Fellow at M-W, ended the conference and was taped by PBS for possible future broadcast this spring.

The conference focused primarily on the changing definition of liberal education, and its implications for the future. Like many of the presentations made during the conference, the panel discussion was marked by a lack of consensus. The panelists disagreed on the purpose, the
Out of Our Heads

Does OCPP really need to be renamed? 2L rep Gina Love and Dean Robert Kaplan seem to think that M-W students are under a mistaken impression about the role of OCPP. "It's really more of a guidance office than a placement office," says Love (see story on page 3). These labels are a distinction without substance.

Few M-W students operate under any gross misperceptions of what OCPP is capable of doing. Regardless of the label we put on the door, Dean Kaplan supposed to assist students in obtaining employment. Constantly reminding us of the limitations inherent in a "placement" or "guidance" office obscures the real issue: The office is under-staffed and students are resentful that no one is making efforts to change the situation.

No reasonable student expects Dean Kaplan to go out, find her the perfect job and drop a notice in her hanging file. M-W students aren't averse to hard work when it comes to job search. No reasonable student expects OCPP to do what it cannot make do with a career staff of two people. At a bare minimum, M-W needs another full time administrator who will go out and sell this school to potential employers. We need an assistant Dean with a televangelist's mentality who will spread the gospel about M-W, whether firms want to hear it or not.

OCPP does not need a name change or an image change. It needs to double its staff size. Dean Kaplan and Linda Spalding work hard and do their jobs well. However, a law school this size cannot make do with a career staff of two people. At a bare minimum, M-W needs another full time administrator who will go out and sell the school to potential employers. We need an assistant Dean with a televangelist's mentality who will spread the gospel about M-W, whether firms want to hear it or not.

From the Editor's Desk...

In a memo to Faculty Academic Status Committee Chair Trotter Hardy, the SBA recently requested the faculty to reconsider its policy on exam scheduling. Although many students have negatively reacted in a school-wide referendum as a means of forcing the issue, the SBA offered a proposal and a polite request that the faculty consider acting on its own in response to overwhelming student opinion.

In other words, Cartee and the SBA have given the faculty a chance to be responsive to student concerns without feeling like they have been forced to act.

The first proposal in the memo would make exam schedules available at registration so students can take exam-timing into account when signing up for classes. The SBA has also made an alternative proposal which releases the exam schedule just prior to the Add/Drop period.

As the memo explains, student opinion on this issue is overwhelming. Members of SBA report that most students favor making exam schedules available prior to registration. Perhaps more importantly, even students indifferent to the policy do not accept the justifications for the current system.

The first justification is potential conflicts. However, Dean Galloway has said the added conflicts would not be unmanageable, she does not oppose the idea.

The only other justification is that students shouldn't choose classes based on exam timing. At the risk of sounding rude, M-W faculty get paid to teach, not to make scheduling choices. If a student picks his classes based on the color of the professor's hair, he has paid tuition for the right to do so. Quite frankly, it is none of the faculty's business why we choose the classes we do. Obviously, there is always an altruistic tendency of the faculty to look out for our best interests, and most of the time, the concern is appreciated. However, in this case, the benevolence has turned to paternalism.

Furthermore, as Cartee states in the memo, "...no student who commented stated that exam scheduling [alone] would be a determining factor in making course choices." It seems that any paternalistic attitude the faculty may have, is no basis in fact.

On more than one occasion, the M-W faculty has been accused of being unresponsive to student opinion until the schools on the verge of a bloody coup. Now, Cartee and the SBA have presented the faculty with a perfect opportunity to do the right thing. No one seems to have a realistic objection and support for the change is clear.

Dean Robert Kaplan seems to think that M-W students are under a mistaken impression about the role of the bar exam. This helps us teach students how the bar examiners test to test specific areas and points.

Every student in last year's exam would have known that SMH management said the tapes were three years out of date. This is 100% false. (Do not know who the gentleman in the article spoke to, but the information he received was incorrect.) Every lecture and every subject is examined before each bar review administration to ensure that it is up to date substantively, and reflects the trends on the bar exam.

For example:

a) Multistate Questions Workshops (the six we include in the classroom portion of the course) are prepped in the Spring prior to the summer course to reflect the most current law and testing patterns.

The same procedure is followed for substantive lectures in subject areas that change frequently, such as Constitutional Law and Criminal Procedure.

b) For Virginia Essay Classes, each class is looked at separately, and many are delivered via live lecture or "hot tape" (i.e., taped live in the same summer, duplicated, and distributed to course locations with immediate delivery to ensure currency).

c) The oldest lecture used for either Multistate or Virginia course is less than one year old.

To the Editor:
I wanted to respond to the article concerning the relative strengths between SMH and Bar/Bri which appeared in last week's Amicus. I believe that the story was one-sided against SMH, and this is coming from an individual quoted as a "disgruntled SMH participant." I apologize to first set the record straight as to my "disgruntledness," and second to put some sense and balance into the choice between SMH and Bar/Bri, something I believe was not provided.

I was somewhat disillusioned with SMH. I was a recent graduate readying myself for bar, and I was nervous. When I came across questions or problems, I complained, and loudly. Had I taken Bar/Bri, I imagine I would have found a multitude of things to complain about also. The article overstates, however, my disappointment. Further, it states that I was told that some tapes were three years out of date. If I had a complaint concerning a tape, one of the responses was that a new tape was already in the wings. I was never told that the one I was watching was three years out of date.

The article, however, was
Bonifaz challenges constitutionality of election laws

By TOBIN ROTH

"It is time to re-examine the long-held assumption that public elections can be privately financed." This was the message of John Bonifaz, staff attorney with the Center for Responsive Politics, in his address Tuesday, Feb. 16, sponsored by the Law School Speakers Forum. The Center was founded by two U.S. Senators in 1983 as a non-partisan, non-profit organization for monitoring politics on the federal level. A graduate of Brown (B.A.) and Harvard Law School, Bonifaz spoke to a crowd of 50 law, undergraduate, and high school students, on both the current financing crisis in federal campaigns and his organization's legal theories in seeking reform.

Citing figures that the average expenditure for a House of Representatives campaign in 1990 was $526,000, and $2.7 million for a 1990 Senate race, Bonifaz declared that the American political system had become one in which "you must pay to play." He was further troubled by the social inequality within the campaign contribution structure, pointing out that the political action committees (PACs) of the business community outspent labor PACs three to one in 1990 ($109 million to $37 million). This amounts to a domination by monied interests which taints fairness to one in 1990 which private donors give to political parties which is not restricted by FEC regulations. Both the Republican and Democratic parties engage in such tactics, said Bonifaz, to the extent that in 1990 individual contributions totalled $249 million, while the PACs only offered $159 million. According to Bonifaz, this impressive flow of private money corrupts the legislative process to the extent that the tax structure is one in which the top one percent do not pay their fair share.

The idea that a new President or a new Congress could remedy the situation is unrealistic, said Bonifaz. Declaring that "change comes with a fight," and using examples of the civil rights and labor struggles, Bonifaz embraced a reform movement based on the legal theory that money does not coincide with a right to vote. In particular, he spoke of a constitutional challenge to federal election laws with the argument that wealth in the political arena can be a suspect class subject to strict scrutiny.

Bonifaz pointed to several Supreme Court cases which support his position that wealth is not to be a determinative factor in an election, such as those striking down poll taxes and prohibiting excessive candidate filing fees. The speaker also mentioned the case of Reynolds v. Sims (1964), which found the dilution of votes in certain schemes to be unconstitutional, and the redistricting cases of the 1970s, that established the right to vote as a meaningful vote and not simply pulling the lever. This holding was later codified in the 1982 amendments to the Voting Rights Act. In essence, Bonifaz theory focused upon the effect of the current finance structure and its effect on minorities and those wishing to vote for challengers (since the current system favors the incumbent).

Bonifaz cited the 1976 case of Buckley v. Valeo as his biggest challenge because the Court held there that money is speech and thus the spending of money is protected by the First Amendment. Bonifaz lamented that this decision had put the election process up for sale, using Ross Perot as an example. In the alternative, he advocated a "time, place, and manner," regulation as endorsed by the Supreme Court in Kovacs v. Cooper (1949). There, an ordinance restricting the use of horns was upheld on the principle that there is no right to drown out the voice of others.

In the question-and-answer session which followed, Bonifaz clarified his alternative campaign finance model. He argued that a public financing scheme for campaigns should be implemented whereby all contributions are paid into a national fund. From that fund, the money would then be divided equally among each incumbent and challenger. In addition, if any candidate received free publicity or independent publicity then his opponent would be compensated from the general fund for the value of that publicity. As for the problem "soft money" contributions, this could be remedied by prohibiting donations at certain times, said Bonifaz.

Afterwards, student reaction was one of partial agreement. Bill Kennedy (1L) said that while he agreed campaign finance reform is needed, it should be implemented on a local, not federal level. Kennedy found the idea of public financing to be reminiscent of the failed Soviet Union. From a different perspective, Boastish native Karen Scott found the talk interesting and agreed that such reform was needed. The Drapers' Scholar added, however, that she was cynical about the likelihood of such change in a country where politics is such "big business."

Kaplan welcomes student suggestions for OCPP

By DOUG MILLER

A change of perception is needed for the under-funded Office of Career Planning and Placement, according to research compiled by an SBA committee appointed to investigate criticism of the office in last semester's student survey. Gina Love and Laura Livacarri, (2Ls) who headed the effort, reported their conclusions after a quick survey of the second- and third-year classes and a two-hour meeting with Associate Dean Robert Kaplan who heads the office.

At the heart of most complaints, according to the co-chairs, is a misunderstanding about the role of OCPP, "It probably ought to be renamed," said Love. "It's really more of a guidance office than a placement office. But the perception among a lot of students is that its primary function is finding jobs for students."

Kaplan, who uses the term Career Services, described the role of the office as collaborative. "We're here to assist students in obtaining employment and educate them about their options," he said.

A new program, featuring students who have found jobs in non-traditional ways, is one project that arose from the exchange. Livacarri said the meeting with the student-planning staff revealed a lack of advice and encouragement from 2Ls and 3Ls who used networking, informational interviewing and other means to land summer and full-time work. Kaplan acknowledged the usefulness of such a program but pointed out similar efforts are already underway. It was just me and the four presenters."

Despite the apathetic response, Kaplan expressed a willingness to work with anyone who wants help. "I welcome student input," he said. "I know things could be better, and I am happy to consider change if we can reach a consensus from the students that change is needed."

Also in the works is a summer mailing to rising 2Ls and 3Ls which would list the schedule for full campus interviews. According to Livacarri, the mailing "will give students a chance to research the firms over the summer and decide which ones they are most interested in interviewing with."

The real focus will be to cut down on one of the most frequently mentioned problems at OCPP: indiscriminate resume dropping by those at the top of the class which deprives lower-ranked students of the chance to interview on campus. Although OCPP has a policy regarding over-dropping, it is only informally enforced. Many students perceive that violators are selectively, and weakly, reprimanded. Kaplan acknowledged the problem and said he had considered other means of enforcement, including a flat limit on the number of on-campus interviews. "But I think the current system gives us needed flexibility," he said. Kaplan also questioned whether limiting the top students would result in a "trickle down effect." "We ask all on-campus interviewers to name alternates in case someone drops out but only about ten percent do," he added, "even when we call them to ask for additional names, most decline." They choose instead to reduce the number of interviews.

Kaplan acknowledged a perception among many students that the office concentrates too much on large law firms to the exclusion of other sources of employment. He said much of the outreach to other employers goes on over the summer and behind the scenes. "We send targeted mailings to every federal government agency, every law firm with fewer than 25 lawyers in several surrounding states, many public service employers and state governmental agencies as well." After follow-up, those that express interest are added to the appropriate board for direct contact, group mailing or on-campus interviews.

Many of the concerns expressed by students were beyond the control of OCPP staff, according to Love. "A lot of the issues and complaints had to do with limited funding and staffing at the office," she said. "Things like more space for research, more computers and software, and additional staff support, all require lobbying at the Law School, College and State level for more money."

According to Livacarri, the office is understaffed by nearly one full-time position. "Most law schools of this size have at least three full-time employees in career services," she said. Both Livacarri and Love praised Kaplan for the amount of work that is accomplished in the office.
Law Watch

By JOHN CROUCH and MARGARET HARDY

CHURCH 1, STATE 0: Alexandria's federal judge Claude Hilton ruled that Fairfax County could not charge churches more than other groups that meet in its school buildings. Hoping to avoid establishment by pushing churches to build their own buildings quickly, the county had charged Fairfax Covenant Church five times what other groups paid. (Washington Post)

SUBSIDIES ARENT FREE: $1 billion in tax breaks General Motors got from Ypsilanti, Mich., imply a contract binding GM to keep a plant there open, said Circuit Judge Donald Shelton. GM will appeal and plans to close the plant, eliminating 4,500 jobs. (USA Today)

LAWYER MUST DIE: An Amadori jury sentenced lawyer George Lott to death for killing two lawyers and wounding a judge in a courtroom shooting spree which he hoped would draw attention to the legal system's injustice and the difficulties of divorce. (Washington Post)

COURT ROOM INNOVATIONS: A New Bedford, Mass., court allowed Robert Koakle to dress as a woman at his trial for killing his wife. In Greensboro, N.C., federal judge Bill Osteen has experimentally letting juries question witnesses. In Georgia, "pale and bloated" pro se plaintiff Ann McCauley has asked the Gwinnett County Superior Court to let her make her case wearing plastic oxygen tent. She says an exterminator gave her multiple chemical sensitivity syndrome. (National Law Journal)

TOP THINGS: A moot court at Vanderbilt acquitted Eve of possessing a prohibited substance, despite the best efforts of God, the prosecution's star witness, played by Professor Maggie Howard. (USA Today)

ASTUTE JURORS: A Lexis National Law Journal poll of 800 former jurors found that 51 percent distrusted police officers' testimony, and 61 percent would convict the officers who beat Rodney King. (Washington Post)

ACLU OF EVERY HEART: A federal appeals court has ruled a man can sue Baxter Healthcare Corp. because his heart valve, which Baxter manufactured, is too noisy. A lower court had ruled against the man, saying the valve was still working after 5 years and its noise was an unavoidable side effect. The appeals court agreed the unit was not defective, but allowed the case based on whether the man should have been warned about the noise. (Wall Street Journal)

CIA GAYS: The D.C. Circuit let the CIA fire an agent for "clandestine" homosexuality without giving him a hearing or even an explanation. The court saw no evidence of a general anti-gay policy, but said the National Security Agency authorized one, and that it would be rationed to preventing blackmail. (U.S. Law Week)

ILLEGAL COMMAND: Virginia's Court of Appeals ruled a policeman who told a man to stay in his car for no apparent reason committed an unreasonable seizure under the Fourth Amendment. (Virginia Lawyers Weekly)

HOUSING IS SUSPECT CLASS: Chicago judge Michael Gottry voided a law requiring juveniles selling drugs in public housing to be tried as adults. He said all 34 defendants prosecuted under the law were black, as are 91 percent of Chicago public housing residents. (Washington Post)

FINER POINTS OF LAW: A California appeals court ruled that raping an unconscious corpse is not rape, but is attempted rape if the defendant thinks the victim is still alive. (National Law Journal)

FIA SHIELD: A Boston appeals court has ruled that Food and Drug Administration approval of some medical devices may protect the manufacturers from claims such as negligence, breach of warranty and fraud. The ruling does not apply to pharmaceuticals. (Wall Street Journal)

JURY BALANCING: The Third Circuit said a New Jersey jury did not equal protection by placing blacks on a grand jury to balance it racially. No particular person was excluded from a jury because of race; rather, the court passed over two blacks but asked them to stay around to see how the jury's racial balance turned out, and used them in the end. (U.S. Law Week)

INTERNATIONAL BANKING DISPUTES: Increasingly, large banks are choosing arbitration to resolve disputes with their customers, avoiding the time and money involved in going to court. These banks include BankAmerica and Wells Fargo and Co. Some organized consumer groups are opposing the change in policy, saying it will mean lower awards for customers. (Wall Street Journal)

NOT EXACTLY TEACHERS PETS: Two Ohio girls, ages 12 and 13, have been charged with planning to stab their English teacher to death. The two shared their plan with other students who had bet a total of about $200 on whether the girls would go through with it. Their plan was foiled when one of their classmates told an assistant principal. (New York Times)

PAROLE: A New York parole board has approved the release of Jean Harris, in prison for 13 years after killing her lover Dr. Herman Tarnower, the Scarsdale Diet doctor. Governor Cuomo commuted Mrs. Harris's sentence. (New York Times)

INNOCENCE IRRELEVANT: The Supreme Court held 5-4 that a death row inmate cannot use new evidence of innocence to ask for federal habeas corpus review. Justices Kennedy and O'Connor, concurring, said "the executing of innocent people in this constitutional era is inconsistent with the constitution." Justice Souter joined Justice Blackmun's dissent. (U.S. Law Week)

Levy Hosts Meeting of the Minds, ACLU Explored

By JOHN LOHMANN

Last Thursday, Feb. 11, Professor John Levy hosted this month's Meeting of the Minds. The topic of the meeting was: "The ACLU in Virginia: What it does and What it should do."

Eight to ten students attended the meeting, held at Levy's home. The meeting, beginning with an informal dinner, focused on the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Levy began by giving a brief history of the national organization and why, throughout this century to give life to the Bill of Rights. He described the national meeting at which policy is set for the term, indicating that the meetings are long and cantankerous. Levy noted that to be a member of the ACLU one must accept that at some point you won't agree with some actions or cases taken by the organization. In our discussion on this issue, such volatile examples as reproductive rights, Second Amendment rights, and representation of Nazis and the Klan were mentioned.

Levy continued by describing the ACLU of Virginia, and its structure. The Virginia ACLU is a Virginia corporation, affiliated with the National ACLU and comprised of local chapters (the largest of which is the Northern Virginia Chapter). Membership in the local chapters automatically includes membership in the state and national organizations.

Contrary to what one might think, our state's ACLU does not have a legion of attorneys in its employ. Rather, a legal panel along with one staff attorney, reviews cases submitted (often by local organizations). A support group for a case is determined, the panel "farms out" the case to private, volunteer attorneys.

Levy discussed some of the cases formerly under consideration or taken by the Virginia ACLU. These include situations involving: a speech code in a Northern Virginia high school, an ordinance outlawing begging in Roanoke, a strip search in Franklin County, new zoning restrictions in Richmond that threaten homeless shelters, and a Pulaski case in which a mentally sick person was arrested and confined at a courthouse fire.

The discourse was relaxed and the atmosphere pleasant. All in attendance seemed pleased with the meeting.

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Wolk gives overview of international business law

By KIRSTIN MUELLER

On Feb. 11, Janice Bowers Wolk spoke to a group of students and faculty on international law in Russia and Eastern Europe. Wolk is a graduate of Marshall-Wythe and a partner at Eckert, Seamans in Pittsburgh. The International Law Society and Mary and William sponsored the talk.

Wolk spoke of the changes in the nature of the practice of law. She emphasized the importance to present-day lawyers to look internationally for profit-making operations, lawyers, especially those involved in commercial practice, must be willing to venture forth into new areas. She noted a lack of international law practitioners in the current labor force.

Wolk presented a detailed analysis of the steps involved in establishing and promoting international business. She used the establishment of a manufacturing facility abroad as an example. U.S. companies that wish to commence manufacturing operations abroad may pursue one of three options: purchase an existing company, launch a "green field operation," or contract with an existing company for manufacturing.

The major concern when buying a foreign company is the negotiation of a price. Eastern European businesses use accounting principles and procedures different from accrual accounting. Companies base their financial reports on production rather than profit. Their annual reports document the flow of raw material and finished products. Negotiations require much top-level management time.

The purchasing company also buys the existing labor force which is an expensive proposition. Pressure exists not to discharge workers because there are no social security or welfare-type systems.

A U.S. company may launch a "green field operation" or build a facility from the ground up. In some countries, land cannot be 100 percent owned by a foreign entity. The U.S. company needs a native partner.

Environmental concerns are enormous for companies buying land in foreign countries. It is imperative to look into potential liabilities. If the government changes, however, the laws of the former regime may not be upheld. Wolk said this is one of the biggest issues. The new government, for example, may permit its citizens to reclaim their land which was seized, and companies may be forced to settle with them.

Contractual manufacturing limits risk and requires little capital investment.

Feasibility studies and tax analysis must be performed to ascertain which method will be most advantageous. Wolk said the usual client's concern is how much risk to take to obtain a certain level of reward. When establishing manufacturing projects in Eastern Europe, clients want potential entry into the EEC to take advantage of the tariff-free zone.

Technology transfers are one of the major pitfalls of doing business in areas like Eastern Europe. U.S. patents may not be protected. In Hungary, for example, laws do not protect process patents. Companies, however, are sometimes willing to risk the loss of patent protection in order to obtain access to the market.

Income tax analysis is crucial with regard to technology transfers because of the double taxation problem. In no tax treaty exists, a company will probably pay taxes to both the U.S. and the foreign country. Companies must also be careful.

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BLSA sponsors 6th annual law day

By SHELLEY EVANS

The sixth annual Minority Student Law Day, sponsored by the Black Law Students Association, was held Saturday, Feb. 6. Approximately 400 undergraduates came to M-W to obtain information about the school, meet the current student and faculty body and participate in activities which may culminate in their matriculating to Marshall-Wythe. The Day is open to all minorities although the majority in attendance were African-Americans.

On its inception, attendance at Minority Student Law Day has grown substantially. This year the colleges represented included: Duke, Virginia Union, Hampton University, Georgetown, William and Mary, George Mason, East Carolina University, University of Maryland, and Virginia Commonwealth. The largest number in attendance was 17 from Virginia State. Attendees are selected using several factors, including pre-law advisors, candidate referrals and marketing lists. The number is limited to seniors; all classes of undergraduate students are asked to attend in order to begin their focus on life after college to increase the likelihood that it may include a graduate school education.

Each student received a registration packet including a welcome letter, a brochure on minority life at Marshall-Wythe, literature on employment opportunities from Associate Dean Robert Kaplan, a copy of the May v. Perry case that was discussed in a mock Civil Procedure class conducted by Professor Susan Grover, and a leaflet on the Legal Skills program supplied by Professor James Molteno. Notebooks, pens and pencils were donated by Dean Carroll Hardy, Associate Vice President of Student and Multi-Cultural Affairs of the College.

The Law Day officially began on Friday, Feb. 5 with a visitation to Torts classes at 10 a.m. conducted by Professors Hardy and LeBel. Prospective students were able to view the Socratic method as it is practiced in a real-life law school situation. Interviews with Associate Dean Faye Shealy were conducted throughout the day.

Saturday's program commenced with a Welcome Address by Acting Dean Richard Williamson at 10 a.m., and an Introduction to the Law School by Associate Dean of Admission Taya Shealy, who focused on the "opportunities for prospective law students to gain more information about legal opportunities at William and Mary ... to hopefully peak their interests and result in enrollment." William and Mary, Tracy Humphrey (3L) welcomed the attendees as the President of BLSA, which was followed by informational speeches on career planning and placement by Kaplan, the Legal Skills Program by Molteno and the academic support program by the program's director, Theophlise Twitty.

After the opening program, law students led informal small group sessions followed by lunch at Sakura Restaurant, where Alumna and former BLSA president, Ilene Olds, Esq. spoke to the group. After lunch, the attendees were given about 30 minutes to prepare for the mock Civil Procedure class at 3 p.m. In the interim, a capsule experience of Minority Life: The Student's Perspective was held.

Lisa Hicks and Toni Randall (2Ls), co-chairs of the BLSA Minority Law Day Committee, said that "many participants from the past have mentioned the Law Day as one of the main reasons they chose William and Mary due to the strong show of support from faculty and students."

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I would finally note that the choice between SMH and Bar/Brish should be influenced by study styles. I learn better reading things set out in text, rather than set out in outline form, so I chose SMH. Further, I chose SMH because they had diagnostic reports and an overabundance of multistate questions. The diagnostic reports were not a help to me, although I could see that they would be useful to others. I completed the overabundance of multistate questions and, as you mentioned, I passed the bar. Perhaps the multistate section was they key.

When all is said and done, I studied with SMH, I did what they told me to do, and passed the Virginia Bar.

--John V. Edwards (92)
Sweet Judy Blue Eyes: Judy Collins plays Tercentenary

By BOB DICKINSON

1993 is a big year for William and Mary, and it promises to be a big year for Judy Collins, too. Collins, who has played 37 shows in the last three decades, was Bill Clinton's first choice in inaugural performers. She appeared to be the first choice as well of a moderate-sized crowd which attended the free concert at William and Mary Hall as part of the Charter Day festivities on Saturday, Feb. 13.

Judy Collins is best known for her distinctive, crystal clear voice, and her interpretations of songs written by Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell, Leonard Cohen, and others. She began studying classical piano at age 5 and made the first choice as well of a keyboard player, bass and drums. She played the 12-string guitar and keyboards as well. The crowd was with her from the first words of her opening song, "Somewhere Soon." The second song, Steve Goodman's "City of New Orleans" was overwhelmed by the applause and the performance, and was not enhanced by Collins' invocation to the crowd to sing along ("I'm sorry, Judy, but I'm YOUR voice I want to hear."). She followed with the title track from her latest album, "Fires of Eden," however, and all was well.

Collins performed four songs, all winners, from "Fires of Eden," including two that she wrote. "Fortune of Soldiers" is an anti-war song that would have been at home in the Vietnam era—and unfortunately is at home in the post-Yugoslavia era. The best of the new material was "The Blizzard," in which Collins became a storyteller, accompanying herself on grand piano, telling the tale of a woman who finds new strength after a broken relationship, the dawn after the storm.

The audience was primarily made up of those who would have been college students during the Vietnam years. They were delighted when Collins reported that Jerry Rubin said that "The 60's are just the 60's upside down," and that David Crosby said, "If you remember the 60's, then you weren't there."

Her audience could see the passion in her, she did indeed inhale, met with laughter and applause. If there were any undergraduates in attendance, they mostly came with their parents (or grandparents).

Collins sang as an a cappella rendition of "Happy Birthday" in addition to most of her big hits—Cohen's "Bird On A Wire" and the hypnotic "Suzanne," and Mitchell's "Both Sides, Now" and "Chelsea Morning." Bill and Hilary have acknowledged that the first daughter's name comes from Collins' recording of this song. Her final number, "Send In The Clowns," was followed by a standing ovation and an encore a cappella performance of "Amazing Grace."

Judy Collins' latest album is 1990's "Fires of Eden" on Columbia. The release of an acoustic album of her hits including "Both Sides, Now," and "Chelsea Morning" is imminent.

As usual, the College failed dismally in promoting this event. Having talked to many students who were unaware of the concert, is it any wonder that what was billed as W&M's gift to the community was only moderately well attended? When will they ever learn?

(Some material from an article by Susan Dworkin in the NewYorkDaily News, January 10, 1993)

Judge urges students to 'make an impact'

By VANESSA PETERSON

Richmond General District Court Judge Birdie Jamison challenged students to achieve a personal meaning of excellence and share it within the community in her speech at Marshall-Wythe on Friday, Feb. 15, in honor of Black History Month.

Jamison used civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall and professional tennis player Arthur Ashe as examples of excellence in her address at the Black Law Student Association (BLSA) sponsored event.

Jamison said King, Marshall and Ashe made powerful impacts on the lives of others during their lifetimes. She said Marshall-Wythe students can also have an impact on others by being role models.

Despite the fact that many people attend law school for their "own selfish reasons," as educated lawyers there is a responsibility to share knowledge and abilities with the community, Jamison said.

Students “need to find an area which you are strong in and go about the business of being unselfish and making an impact,” she explained.

Jamison said it is not enough for students to be satisfied with "decent" grades and graduating. She said people should be measured according to their capacity, always reflecting on doing their best.

"Don't measure yourself by what you have accomplished, but by what you should have accomplished with your abilities," she said. "The greatest danger for most of us is not that your aim is too high and you miss it, but that your aim is too low and you reach it barely.

Jamison said she does not "pigeonhole" herself as a black female, but as an individual who has accomplished things. She said students do not have to align themselves with someone to find inspiration: they can be the "trailblazers."

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to abide by U.S. export licensing requirements.

Wolc cited the antiquated telecommunications systems as an obstacle of doing business in Eastern Europe and Russia. She said the costs of launching a business abroad are much higher than often anticipated. Limited grants and aid are available from the federal government, particularly the Department of Energy and the Environmental Protection Agency. Companies may obtain loans from the World Bank for infrastructure operations. Specialty banks such as the Export-Import bank also offer some financing for international business development.

Wolk said huge multinational corporations such as Proctor & Gamble have extensive promotional operations in Eastern Europe. They have the large financial base to expand into the newly opened market.

U.S. companies have targeted Russia as their primary investment focus because of the size of the market. Russia is estimated to be the world's largest market by 2000. In 1992, U.S. companies invested $8 billion in Russia.

According to Wolk, the major growth areas in Russia and Eastern Europe are in the environmental, energy and medical fields.

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By BOB DICKINSON

You may have wondered what's gotten into about 20 fellow law students who have been seen carrying around a paperback with a cover you would expect to see at the Food Lion check out. The book is Judith Rossner's *His Little Women*. The cover shows four females in pensive poses. The book was assigned by Professor Susan Grover as part of Professor Paul Marcus's class, Law and Literature.

Law and Literature works like this: the class will read four books during the semester. Several faculty are involved, and the professor who chooses the particular book assigned comes up with a list of questions for discussion. Each student writes a short paper based on one or more questions from the professor's list, or based on any other issue they can divine.

The second book assigned for the semester was *His Little Women*. The narrator of this book is Nell, the second daughter of Sam Pearlstein, by his second wife (of three) wives. Sam is a larger than life character, a movie producer who moves from wife to wife as easily as an actor moves from scene to scene, projecting as he goes. The story follows Nell as she loses and regains her father, discovers her older half sister Louisa, goes to live with her father's third family and her two younger half sisters, and ultimately becomes a lawyer.

There is, as Grover put it, "one gratuitous sex scene," where Nell loses her virginity. But the main thrust of the book is on a libel suit brought against half sister Louisa by the son-in-law of Nell's stepfather. Louisa, a novelist, has written a book in which there are many "coincidentally" parallel's between her character and the real life son-in-law.

"The fiction writer is often startled to find people living as though they owned their lives rather than as though they'd been put on this earth to provide her with material." Rossner addresses the subject of the novelist's liability when Louisa testifies at her trial that "if I write something I know is libelous, then I'm obliged--it only to myself--to fix it so I won't be held responsible under the law. But as far as what comes out in the first place, as far as what my fingers do when you put a typewriter under them, it's more like Quija Board." This involuntary nature of the fiction writer's art is further described by Nell as "the process by which some real or imagined germ raids a writer's brain and ends up, after an incubation period of days or decades, spilling onto the printed page, a unique and full-blown disease." As Louisa testifies, perhaps she should wear a button, "Novelist: Associate with Me at Your Own Risk."

It would be interesting to know if Rossner has been the subject of a libel action. Conveying the writer's difficulty in walking the line between truth and fiction seems to be her goal in *His Little Women*. There are other themes in the book: sibling rivalry, the effects of divorce, the women's movement, but Rosner had little to say about lawyers or the law beyond its treatment of the intersection of libel and the novelist's art.

I like Rossner's sarcastic style and found the book very entertaining. I found myself in the minority in this regard. The general response from students was "Why did you make us read this book?" The book was characterized by one student as "grocery store trash," in reference to the pulp romance novels available in check-out lines. Lack of character development was a major complaint. "There was no character that I cared about," Marcus said. Several were offended by Rosner's use of stereotypes, and someone complained that this device was evidence of the author's laziness in not developing her characters. Bryan Bonner (3L) felt the book was made to order for an NBC mini-series, a comment that was not, I believe, intended as positive criticism.

The reaction was so negative that it actually made me feel guilty about enjoying the book. *His Little Women* grocery store trash? Rossner is the author of eight books, including the bestsellers *August and Looking For Mr. Goodbar*. I have not read any of her other books, but the film adaptation of *Goodbar* starring Diane Keaton was great.

Every paperback book comes with its share of excerpts from reviews. *His Little Women* has 17 such blurbs ranging from the New York Times Book Review to the Virginian Pilot. Of *His Little Women*, the Dallas Morning News said, "Ms. Rosner is an accomplished satirist and she gleefully needles Seventies feminists, Hugh Hefner's Playboy Mansion and Southern Jews, as well as the thin line that separates one person's 'truth' from another's 'fiction.' A delight to read." Maybe law students and professors should lighten up a little.

The first book read by the class was *To Kill A Mockingbird*. This book would have to be considered a classic by any standard. It was pure pleasure to read it again after (too) many years. The book inspired a spirited discussion of legal and social issues. Later, I checked out the Gregory Peck film version from the library--also a real joy. Marcus's Law and Literature class will be reading *The Stranger* by Albert Camus and Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice* to finish the semester.

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His Little Women: Grocery store trash or art?

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Gays in military: equal opportunity has worked before

By Andrea Phelps

I must admit that my thoughts on this subject have changed dramatically since arriving at Marshall-Wythe. Before, I would bravely carry the military’s party line against homosexuals into any conversational or academic battle. I should point out, however, that my opinions on several military issues have evolved since I left active duty in July 1991. One last qualification: I don’t pretend to talk about conditions in a foxhole even though I assert that the days of foxhole warfare are numbered; I can and do speak about life onboard a ship which serves as a cramped and crowded home for hundreds of sailors and that is utterly devoid of the privacy that most individuals typically enjoy.

Having said all that, the bottom line is simple: there are too many crucial issues facing the military today for the top brass to become immersed in their “big guns” display of homosexual. Gay and lesbian citizens have served in the military since the Continental Army was established and continue to serve today. Forcing them out of today’s high-tech military doesn’t make sense for a number of reasons:

- Homosexuals CAN and HAVE successfully served. Petty Officer Keith Meinhold with his 12 years of service is the perfect case in point. When pictured on the cover of Newsweek last month, he wore gold hashmarks, the most visible indication that his conduct and career have been beyond disciplinary reproach.

- Homosexuals do not, by virtue of being homosexual, place themselves in such grave danger that the military is literally forced to exclude them for their own safety. To suggest that the Navy does not have the wherewithal to enforce the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and to protect homosexual sailors from the myriad horrors of angry, macho, prone-to-violence, heterosexual sailors is to admit that the Navy is suffering a severe leadership crisis. Fortunately, Petty Officer Meinhold, very much alive as of this writing, is living proof of the flaw in this argument. The Navy is prosecuting the individual recently accused of bludgeoning the young, homosexual sailor in Japan for murder—just as the Navy prosecuted the heterosexual sailor who bludgeoned to death an officer (also heterosexual) on a ship a few years ago in Jacksonville, Florida.

- It is too expensive, in terms of both human and financial capital, to seek out and banish homosexual military personnel. The military spends millions of dollars and man-hours to train sailors, soldiers, marines, and airmen to operate the most sophisticated war-making machine in the world. A non-heterosexual sailor is involuntarily separated from the service, others must cover this unplanned manpower shortage until a qualified replacement is identified and ordered in. It is not uncommon for a high-tech, high-cost billet to be vacant for several months. Requiring the separated individual’s shipmates to work longer hours and to do more with less is a morale-busting issue. Taxpayers everywhere should be outraged at this costly practice. It makes the $800 ashtray look reasonable in comparison.

- Assuming that a homosexual sailor is otherwise qualified to serve, his fitness to continue serving should be based on his conduct, not his status. This straight-forward approach is not difficult to grasp or implement; it is more than adequate to deal with any legitimate problem that might arise. Moreover, such a policy is not new or revolutionary—the military has long enforced a similar policy with respect to sailors who have drinking problems. The Navy CANNOT separate an individual for being an alcoholic; the Navy CAN separate the sailor who continues to engage in misconduct that is attributable to his voluntarily induced drunkenness. Likewise, the military should not strip an individual of his enlistment or commission for being a person with a particular sexual orientation. Both the UCMJ and Navy regulations provide a ship’s commanding officer with the authority and means to prohibit the kind of conduct that hard-working, beer-drinking, flag-waving, homophobic sailors fear—being propositioned or battered by a homosexual shipmate. The Navy’s policies against fraternization, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and conduct that is “detrimental to the good order and discipline of the military” provide an array of behavior-regulating mechanisms. All of the nation’s public and private institutions, the military should be the one place where a certain type of behavior is successfully demanded of its members.

The It’s-Bad-For-Morale argument is overused and discredited; Senator Nunn and the Joint Chiefs should put it to rest. Substitute “Jew” for “homosexual” and you have the argument waged against admitting Jews to the military.

Gay soldiers would open up cultural Pandora’s box

By Peter Dutton

President Clinton should not change the current laws and regulations concerning homosexuals in the military. If changing the law was simply a matter of fairness to homosexuals, few people, including service members, would oppose it. But there is more, much more, going on. There is the direct confrontation of cultural morality based on millennia of Judeo-Christian values; the affront to the privacy of heterosexual service members; the specter of unnecessary disorder in the military; and perhaps above all, the sense that a cultural Pandora’s box is about to be opened.

As to the moral issues, the creators of our nation indisputably founded a society based on the firmly-rooted moral precepts of our Judeo-Christian cultural heritage. These precepts recognize that certain conduct, including homosexual conduct—isby its nature immoral and ultimately damaging to the social order if some restraint is not imposed. We all know intuitively from very early on that by some external standard it is not acceptable to publicly act out our every impulse or behavior. There is the direct confrontation of cultural morality based on millennia of Judeo-Christian values; the affront to the privacy of heterosexual service members; the specter of unnecessary disorder in the military; and perhaps above all, the sense that a cultural Pandora’s box is about to be opened.

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Finally, Pandora’s box. That there exists such widespread opposition to lifting the ban coming from all corners of this nation ought to give lawmakers considerable pause and cause great concern. To be sure, there is a homophobe element out there, and a just society is not built upon the infrastructure of fear. But many thoughtful men and women who have known the sting of unjust treatment speak out against Clinton’s proposal—such as General Colin Powell and Washington Post columnist William Raspberry. Their concerns are clearly not the simple knee-jerk fear of society’s ignorant. As
It's a MAD World

Life in the Habitrail: You get what you pay for

By M.A. Donald

Life over at the grad complex has turned out to be less than a bowl of cherries. While the ability of the human creature to adapt to harsh situations is renowned, the office of residence life has seemed determined to test the limits. It seems the "Population Ecology Lab" sign hints at the darker motives underlying the Habitrail-type architecture.

Beyond the litany of now-famous complaints relating to the move-in period (no phones, laundry room without washing machines, etc.) life in the grad-palace (can anyone's world compare?) seems to involve a never ending series of annoyances, inconveniences, and general silliness. Here are some of "features" of the place.

The Physical Facility: At least my apartment seems to be falling apart. This may be related to the fact that the unit never really seems to have been completely constructed. Locks were uninstalled on a door, and to this day, there are still blobs of hardened tile gunking up to various surfaces in the bathroom. A fault line is now forming in my kitchen wall, perhaps it will form an image of Jesus there, beneath the cabinets. The pre-formed shower unit seems to be coming apart from the wall and moving out into the bathroom, all Amityville Horror-like.

Additionally, the contractors seemed to have used the cheapest and flimsiest compound known to man to cover the screws used to hang the drywall. The slightest brush against these surfaces removes the paint and the spackle, revealing a large screw which residence life will probably claim I put there and try to charge me for. What did they use to cover these things ... flour and water paste?

Furniture: I do appreciate the efforts to minimize the amount of my deposit that will have to be kept for stains on the furniture. It will help with the breeze getting those coffee and blood stains off of the unfinished wood ensemble with my belt-sander. Also, if one of my drunken friends should destroy one of the chairs or tables during a brawl, 50 cents worth of scrap lumber from the Pottery and some Elmer's Wood Glue will duplicate the original construction materials. A design award should go to the genius who, not only was able to recycle so much scrap, but also decided to attach cushions to chairs not by means of four long wood screws pointing directly upwards through the cushion.

Mail Service: Oh what a joy it is to be constantly bombarded by, not only, the usual college junk mail, but also to receive every undergraduate bulletin by virtue of having a campus mail-box. The campus mail people have apparently decided that students don't need to get mail on Saturday, like the rest of the world, not that it matters, since I am now on my THIRD address. I have gone from 7005S. Henry this Summer to 707 S. Henry at the beginning of the year, to Grad Student Housing, box xx, P.O. Box 8785, etc. Yeah, I'll just put that mess up at the top of my resume.

Intruders: There is a non-stop flow of construction elvves through what is nominally, at least, my apartment. I have never lived anywhere where the air filters in my kitchen had to be changed every two weeks. Perhaps this is a result of the original design which included the energy saving approach of running the fan continuously, even when the thermostat was off. The only switch I was cleverly locked up in the mechanical closet, forbidden to residents.

Aside from the filters, not a week goes by without some notice of impending entry. Usually this notice is specific, such as, "SOMEBODY MAY BE IN YOUR APARTMENT SOMETIME THIS WEEK TO DO SOMETHING." Don't worry if you are not home when they come by, if you are in the shower, they have pass keys, and are happy to let themselves in. Each actual worker, like workers paid by governments everywhere, is sufficient to justify the separation of any member who disregards its precepts and fails to respond to counseling.

Finally, the morale argument is a tragedy because of a second military reality: the proven success of the concept of equal opportunity. I proudly served with people of all ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic backgrounds. More often than not, I was the racial minority in my divisions. Yes, there were a number of sailors on my ship that were rumored to be homosexual, but as a rule one did not want to do anything about it because they were typically star performers and model sailors.

When the Chief of Naval Operations was asked during an address to the Brigade of Midshipmen in 1984 whether he really believed that women belonged in the Navy, he responded, "God forbid that I ever deny any individual who is willing and able the great privilege of serving our country." It's a good policy. It's time to get on with gettin' on.

Andrea Philips is a 1985 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. She spent six years on active duty, serving in the Persian Gulf during Operation Desert Storm.

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Raspberry said in his column, "There seems to be some larger fear that lurks just beyond our ability to define it...[a] public reaction that reflects a sense that something cultural is going on...a goal that moves beyond fairness popularly perceived and comes to embrace condemnation of sexual behavior." What the military and ultimately society are asked, not told, to do is to cross the line, from our current acceptance that what one does in private is his own business, to effective advocacy of homosexuality as a lifestyle of equal cultural validity to heterosexuality. Essentially, we are under executive fiat to make homosexuals a protected class with equal rights and status under our Constitution despite legislative and judicial pronouncements to the contrary. That is the Pandora's box that is opened by this proposal, and it has no solid Constitutional footing. As such, it simply goes too far. Protecting the right of a homosexual to conduct his or her private life in private is one thing. But Clinton's attempt to force the private matters of homosexualy oriented people upon a captive military is simply an abuse of executive power.

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Ask Anita Libido

Dear Anita,

I have a question of etiquette. What do you do when someone who is talking to you inadvertently spits on you? How does that answer change if the person is a friend, stranger or a professor?

--All Wet

Dear Say it--Don't spray it.

The hypothetical you propose is a situation which calls for your most tactful and delicate approach. You do not want to embarrass or offend a friend. Plus, I subscribe to the theory of the equal spit continuum: The spit you receive on one occasion is roughly proportional to that which you devoe out on other occasions. So in dealing with a friend, remember to be as courteous to them as you would like them to be to you since, in the course of your dealings over time, you are likely to spray them as well. While the golden rule of spittle dealings is morally considerate, it is not imperative to be so polite to a stranger if, practically, you do not foresee encountering them again. (I think the response risk of harm together with the actual amount of spit figures somewhere in the Learned Hand formula.) Perhaps calmly opening an umbrella would suffice to give the hint. If the spit-feauser is a professor, you must be as delicate as with a friend, but for different reasons—a Social Security number is not so hard to discover. All bets are off, however, if the professor happens to be Uncle Fred. Then my suggestion is to hack up a big loogy and return fire. For a crash course in secretion logistics and target selection, see me later.

Dear Anita,

I haven't had much dating success here at law school, but was excited about this Date Auction thing. What kind of women could I expect to see "for sale" and do you think this could be the answer to my dating woes?

--Desperate

Dear Last Hope/Last Straw,

Against my better instincts, I will answer your question. I am a bit quizzical about whether this approach will be of much success when you already appear to have exploited all your dating options. Maybe you should look within to see why you can't get a date. Diel, Clearasil, shampoo, a life—maybe these would help. Anyway, as far as the selection goes, remember that the girls on the block come from the same applicant pool you witness daily. Curtail your excitement accordingly. There is, however, a point to be made for a certain "lock." If you buy a date, you are guaranteed at least one opportunity; it is a sewed-up obligation. What your personality won't do, contract law will. Buying the date, however, does not mean an instant score. The woman will only feel obligated to fulfill the bare bones of the date specified (dinner or whatever). For more intimacy, you must rely on yourself. One approach that may help would be to seek out the most sympathetic and spend an obscene amount on the bid. That way, you may compel her to feel she must give you your moneys worth.

Research tips: LION's new verbal instruction method

By JEFFREY REGNER

According to Nobel Prize-winning scientists and Ann Landers, research is the leading cause of death in the United States behind cellular phones and fast food. Before you plunge into something that may cause your demise you should be as informed as possible. I'd like to pass along some survival tips.

Abstention is always preferred. If you don't wear a condom, which that alone may not be enough. If she's flexible you can ask her to—Hold on, wrong set of tips. Let me start over.

The last library research I did before coming herewith was in 1989. I didn't actually look at any books, I just went to the front desk and researched where the bathroom was. The librarian, or whoever it was, said that I could just march my drunk ass out to the bushes and go there.

It wasn't my idea to put the library between the bar and my bed, and anyway if you're open all night, you take your chances on who wanders in. A good thing to remember when doing research is to be sober or bring breathing mints.

Lexis is pretty good for research. It's free while you're here, so use it wisely.

Go to the newspaper section and type in the name of Torts. Use LION. Type "tort & t/ restatement." No entries located. Try, "short." 1,837,988 entries located.

Try LION's lesser-known verbal mode. (Computers are your friends. Know how to use your friends) Simply say, "Computer, where is the Restatement of Torts?"

Except, say it louder like this, "COMPUTER, WHERE IS THE GODDAMN RESTATEMENT OF TORTS?"

Libraries are like hospitals and crowded theaters. If you're loud enough you just irritate somebody. Using LION in the verbal mode will motivate somebody to tell you that the book is upstairs and to shut up.

Once you're upstairs, find a knowledgeable legal librarian and simply use this conversation.

"Excuse me knowledgeable Legal Librarian, I'm lost. Can you show me the Restatement of Torts?"

"Have you tried LION?"

"I think it's broken."

"Oh, well, try the stacks in the back, fourth row from the end."

Taking the time on your own to figure out where the books are is wasteful because the next library you go to won't be arranged the same way.

The book won't be there. Every first-year student got the same memo to do the same research on the same day, so just pick up any other book nearby because they all say the same thing.

Every book in the library is just chock full of legal words, cumbersome cross-references, undescribable citations. Don't read them without aspirin.

You'll notice that our issue is very broad. The keysearch word, "happened," won't appear in any index. Leaf through the book looking for occurrences of the word and jot down anything on the same page. Do the same thing with key search word, "illegal," until you have enough stuff to fill up a memo.

As you can see, shrewd and judicious use of resources has won the day. Don't fall into the trap of improperly narrowing your issue to include words that appear in the index. You'll just be burdened with volumes of case law. Research should never take longer than pizza delivery.

Whether you're Learned Hand or Ann Landers, you've got to do research. Sure it may seem anal, but it's required. So just remember, stay sober, work hard, and steer clear of East German swimming coaches.
Naugahyde

by Bob Dickinson

Life After Law School

The Book of Ziemer: and you thought Job had it rough

BY DAVID ZIEMER
Midwestern Correspondent

There was a young lawyer in the land of Wisconsin, whose name was Ziemer, and that man was clever and sly, and fearing only the practice of family law, and his possession was a two-room office in an 1876 Napoleonic-style building with 13-foot ceilings, a 386, 16 MHz computer, an HP LaserJet, a secretary, a coffee maker, and an ashtray. And this man was great among all the lawyers in the Midwest.

Now on a certain day when the clerks came to stand before the Law God, Satan was also present among them. And the Law God said to him, "Hast thou considered my servant Ziemer, that there is none like him in Milwaukee, a lawyer who has not yet discovered that all men are liars and thieves, and despite 14 months of practice, still believes that all are entitled to legal representation, regardless of the frivolousness of their paranoid delusions?" And Satan, answering said, "Doth Ziemer respect law in vain? Hast not thou given him a spacious office, enough clients to survive, and a lovely view of downtown? But fuck up his practice a little, and see if he blessed thee not to thy face." And Satan went forth.

Now on a certain day when Ziemer was in the process of evicting a woman, her daughter, and her dog, from their spacious office, enough clients to survive, and that man was clever and sly, and fearing on only the practice of family law. And Ziemer accepted the case, and realized he had no case. Now after the perjurious witness, Ziemer called three more of the cream of the crop in a prison setting. For they had been subpoenaed to come together and give testimony. But the witnesses were useless, and were impeached, and could not take hints when Ziemer fed them questions that bordered on leading. And Ziemer rested his case, and the defendants moved for directed verdict. And Ziemer responded against the motion as best he could.

Collect them all! This week: People whose egos mandate trading card status!!

More clip 'n' save Marshall-Wythe trading cards

Alisa Lewis
Lee Stokes
Kyle Short
Joe Somerville
News of the Weird

By BILL MADIGAN

DID YOU THINK IT WAS JUST A TOY? A new study estimates that as many as 15 percent of all cases of sexual impotence are caused by injury during intercourse, and its chief author is recommending that men practice what he calls "defensive" sex. "Men think their erections are made of concrete," said Irwin Goldstein, a urologist at Boston University Medical Center. When they learn what women can do to them, particularly in the superior position, they "are often quite surprised," he said. (Washington Post)

EJECT FOR ETERNITY ... Cowboy Jimmy Dale Stubble, resting in a wheelchair for the last six years of his life, was finally buried in the way he wanted: standing up, with his boots on. Paralyzed from the neck down in 1986 during a fight with another cowboy over who was the better roper, Stubble "hated laying flat on his butt, and didn't want to be buried that way," said Glenn Younger, one of Stubble's acquaintances. In a funeral procession tailored to his wishes, pallbearers then lowered his casket, feet first, into the ground with their lariats. (Washington Post)

AMERICA'S MOST WITNESS ... Carlos Carrasco, 24, was sentenced to 10 years' probation in San Antonio for a bungled burglary of a liquor store. According to records, Carrasco cut his hand badly when he broke through the store's roof; tried to throw a bottle of whiskey out through the hole he had created but missed, causing the bottle to fall back to the floor, shatter and set off a burglar alarm; fell on the broken bottle, cutting himself again; left his wallet in the store; once on the roof for his getaway, fell off; and left a trail of blood from the store to his home, just down the street. (Oregonian)

GIVES NEW MEANING TO "BLOW JOB" ... A motorist shot in the head during a traffic dispute dislodged the bullet by blowing his nose in the hospital emergency room, police said. The Chandler, Ariz., man was riding in a car when an angry driver shot him above the right temple, apparently when the victim's girlfriend, who was driving, refused to let the assailant pass. While at Desert Samaritan Medical Center in Mesa, the victim's nose began bleeding, and he expelled a .22-caliber bullet that apparently had lodged in a sinus cavity. "One of our officers ... handed him a towel, and [he] blew the bullet out." Police Sgt. Steve Spraggins said (Washington Post).

BARBIE BATTLES BODY DOUBLE ... Sindy and Barbie, who were locked in a vicious catfight, have settled it: Sindy is going to have her head examined. Mattel, the world's second-largest toymaker, just turned a doll marketed in Europe by the world's largest property. Just as the girls were getting all dolled up for a date in a London court, Hasbro backed down. Sindy will undergo plastic surgery. As part of the settlement, the Partnered, R.I.-based company said it would "resculpt" Sindy's head--the disputed body part--though neither company would say how Sindy would be remedied. At the age of 33, Barbie is the most popular doll in the world, approaching $1 billion in sales a year. To protect its star, Mattel has fired off lawsuits against other would-be interlopers, including Petra, whose Swedish toycoyame' claimed was a "friend" of Barbie's. (Washington Post)

STUDENTS, from page 4 ... the would-be employee."

Responding to Brennan's theory, several of the session panelists discussed the possibility of implementing a higher education system similar to the European model of dual tracking in secondary school for either trade or college education. Although acknowledging the elitist implications of this alternative, panelist Charles Crichtler, professor of Public Policy Studies and Economics at Duke University, stated, "I do not believe it is impossible to reconcile an elitist activity such as liberal education with our traditional goals of equality of opportunity. The challenge for public policy is to make sure that the doors to the paths of leadership are open to all young people who are inclined to take those paths...."

Free Body Diagram

By Jeff Regner

Joe

Joe is the first to tout himself as a versatile athlete. Perhaps this is why his wardrobe is made up exclusively of sports attire. His name appears on a team roster in virtually every intramural sport. However, ace Amicus reporter Bill Madigan, reports that he has never actually seen Joe play a sport. In an attempt to verify this information, the Amicus has not been able to find anyone with any first-hand knowledge of Joe's athletic ability.

Kyle

As Kyle's roommates are quick to predict, "Stylin' Profelin' and Kylin'" will soon be the watchwords of the '93 SBA presidential campaign. Ever the campaigner, Kyle has been working hard on the 1993 campaign since the 1992 campaign. Even most of the first years caught on in the first week that all those Blackacre parties were nothing more than an opportunity to return for votes and practice handshaking.

Lee

Soon after Law Camp, Lee was bodily removed from the Library when she couldn't keep her voice below 70 db. After a futile attempt to ban Jim Hellen, Lee has received funding to soundproof her carrel. Ever the flamboyant dresser, Lee giveth credit where credit is due: "Whenever I'm in a bad mood, Daddy finds a bunch of new charges on his American Express card." (You didn't think she bought that Mercedes herself, did you?)

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Residents appreciated Residence Life's difficult situation, but were not wildly impressed with its efforts. Joe Guarino (IL) reminded his neighbors of their sufferings as "guinea pigs" in a meaningless sacrifice." Liceelle Dugger (IL) hoped the process would take some account of cases of hardship, such as people with no cars. Jeremy Phillips (IL) wondered who would pocket the considerable interest on the deposits. Jonathan McGrady (IL) asked if the complex would get cable television. Briggs said it was highly unlikely. Despite improvements, the housing process will remain inconvenient and uncertain in the near future.
LSIC brings Valentine cheer to convalescent home
On Valentine’s Day, Law Students Involved in the Community (LSIC) visited The Pines Convalescent Center here in Williamsburg. The students visited with the residents and handed out multi-colored carnations in celebration of Valentine’s day. The Flower Cupboard on Boundary Street provided the carnations at a special rate in recognition of the event.

--John Lohmann

Health Law Society speaker
This Thursday the Health Law Society will sponsor guest speaker Professor Jeff O’Connell from the University of Virginia. O’Connell will present “No-Fault Insurance for Medical Malpractice?” O’Connell’s 25 years of work in the field of no-fault insurance has made him a recognized authority on the topic. The event will be held at 5 p.m. in room 124.

Applications for Editor-in-Chief of the Amicus Curiae
The office of Student Activities is now accepting applications for Editor-in-Chief of the Amicus Curiae for the 1993-94 school year. Prospective applicants should have a profoundly low IQ, no desire for future employment, and no family history of ulcers. Anyone crazy enough to want the job can pick up an application in the Amicus office, or the Student Activities Office. Deadline for applications is 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 26.

Honor Code Revision Committee approves appeal process
At its last meeting Feb. 10, the Honor Code Revision Committee voted to provide for an appeal process for a student convicted by the Honor Council. Once the Council decides the student is guilty, the student may request a hearing by students selected randomly by the registrar. If found guilty at this hearing, the student would be expelled. Terrel H. Bell, student convicted by the Honor Council.

If the student is found innocent, this decision would overrule the decision of the Honor Council.

John Brownlee (2L) is planning to present the final proposal of the Committee to the Honor Council. Susanna Broaddus (3L), chief justice of the Honor Council, said the Council will review the proposal and hold an open meeting to discuss it next month.

Trial Team goes to semifinals
The Marshall-Wythe Trial Team competed in the Texas Young Lawyers/ABA National Trial Competition held in

Fairfax and Alexandria Feb. 5-7. The team was the only Virginia team to make it to the semifinals, and only three schools placed two teams in the that round, Georgetown, Desquenne, and William and Mary.

Congratulations to Laura Kerrigan, John Lohmann, John McGowan, James Creekmore, Rich Hricik, and Tammy Moss for a strong showing.

SBA reviews budget, exam scheduling proposal
The SBA budget for 1993-94 will be reviewed this week by the finance committee of the BSA. SBA Treasurer Jenny Johnson made the announcement at the last SBA meeting, Feb. 10. The budget includes “The biggest increase we thought we could reasonably hope to get away with,” she said. Among the new groups included in the first draft of the budget proposal are Law Students Involved In the Community (LSIC), the Meeting of the Minds project, and The Health Law Society. There is also a request for the SBA to resume funding of Trial Advocacy Competition teams, to represent M-W in regional competitions.

Also on the SBA agenda was the final approval of a proposal to the Faculty Academic Status Committee to consider changing the exam scheduling policy. SBA President Joe Cartee discussed wording of the proposal with class representatives. The final version adopted a two-tiered recommendation. The primary proposal calls for publication of the exam schedule prior to registration. An alternative calls for the schedule to be published after registration but before the close of Add/Drop week.

Plans for Barrister’s Ball are firming up. The annual spring semester formal is scheduled for March 20 at the Williamsburg Lodge. Music for the event will be by the band Casper, who also played for the 1991 Fall From Grace.

--Doug Miller

Former education secretary to speak
Terrel H. Bell, U.S. Secretary of Education in the Reagan cabinet from 1981 to 1985, will give the 1993 Distinguished Lecture for the School of Education today at 7:30 p.m. in PBK Hall.

Bell’s lecture will be titled, “A Nation At Risk: Reflections A Decade Later.” Bell is the founder of the National Commission on Excellence in Education and the author of eight books, including The Thirteenth Man: A Reagan Cabinet Memoir. He currently heads an educational consulting company in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The lecture is free and open to the public.
Glutton for punishment

Reviewer actually likes movie, rates it PG: Pretty Good

By ALAN DUCKWORTH

This is an exciting time of year for me. February is the month of the B-movie. Believe or not, these movies have hot release seasons too. Every time I hear the name Bill Murray, I find myself checking out all new and exciting releases. And with such promising movies as Robot Wars and Bloodstone still yet to come, this could be the best month in B-movie history. Now I know this information is of zero use to 99 percent of the school. I still must believe in my heart that someone else at this school has the basic qualities to enjoy these films. I have to believe that I am not alone at M-W. Otherwise, I don't know if I would have the strength to go on. However, I do have this faith, and it provides me with the strength to continue my struggle. So I shall continue with my Holy Quest to inform the masses of the true way of movie viewing.

Hired to Kill: Action and adventure at their finest. Well, maybe not. I mean Arnold is nowhere to be seen and he is the king of action-adventure movies. There isn't even a Seagal or Van Damme to liven things up. Really, there is no genre of movies which is more cliquish than action-adventure. This, however, is not the heart of the matter: How was the movie? PG. Pretty Good, not Parental Guidance. The plot is fairly simple. Ryan is a jaded, misogynistic mercenary. He also gets all the good lines, like "No plan is perfect. This is the one women." Basically, he spends a lot of time early in the movie bandaging his knuckles from where they scrape the ground. Of course, since this is a happy movie, he is forced to work with a team of women. And by the end, he respects and likes them. Isn't that special? But I get ahead of myself. He is sent with the team of women, whom he recruits from assorted sleazeball prisons, to rescue a rebel leader who has been imprisoned for 15 years. To accomplish this, he plays a homosexual fashion designer (that's not a stereotype, right?) who, with six models, is showing his new line in this small Latin American country. I will leave the rest of the movie up to your active imagination.

The cast is filled with name actors. Brian Thompson, the villain in Cobra and currently the sheriff in the TV show Key West, plays Ryan. The most memorable part of his performance was his intentionally megalomaniacal attempt to play a mannequin and portraying a homosexual fashion designer. The older set in the movie is much more interesting. Oliver Reed plays Bartos, the leader of the country which Ryan infiltrates. His usual florish about in this movie. George Kennedy is Thomas, the rebel leader. His quiet intensity makes his smallest gestures interesting. My one complaint was casting Joe Ferrer as Raillis, the rebel leader. The role is small and utterly pointless. Surely Ferrer could have handled and deserved a more exciting role.

This actually was a very good movie. It avoided the standard low-budget movie trap. We all know what it is: when in doubt, put in lots of gratuitous violence and nudity. The movie is violent, but very little of the violence could be considered gratuitous. There is very little nudity, and that is definitely plot-based. The biggest flaw with the movie is the editing. At two points, they must have removed large sections because the characters make jumps of actions which make very little sense. This type of mistake is, however, acceptable for action-adventure movies, because characters generally must act stupid for the plot to work. All in all, I liked Hired to Kill. The movie is the latest entry in the "Standard horror movie attitude. I mean if people acted smart, the movie would only last a half an hour. The spirit of the Devil Child inhabits the body of a doll which is owned by the daughter of the yuppie couple. It takes over her mind and starts randomly killing people. The mother figures it out, but her loving, if dumb, husband doesn't believe her. Things degenerate from there. A major plus to this movie is it avoids the cliché of the unifying villain. Normally, the villain is killed, what, five times before it takes. This time, the first end is the real end. That is the biggest surprise in the movie. Sorry, I gave it away.

The cast has several name actors in it. The mother, Marilyn Read, is played by Denise Crosby. She almost displays warmth in this film. Her range is expanding. Her husband, Elliot, is played by Sam Bottoms. Karl Resnick, the replacement archologist is played by Rip Torn. You know, I believe that is not a stage name. But I also believe in Santa Claus and that what I am learning this year will be useful when I graduate.

Well, on that suicidal note, I think I will bring this column to a close. This movie is not badly done, but I have seen it before. I have seen a different version. I believe that is who cares. I give it seven beans. See you at the video stores.

Murray a likeable jerk in Groundhog: Temp's time is up

BY STEVEN YOUNGKIN

The hard fact about movies is that sometimes really bad movies can overweight good ones. Occasionally a movie comes along that is so insidiously awful that it makes people forget pretty good movies. Hopefully, if there is any justice at all, the good movie will succeed and the pathetic film will disappear.

That's my hope with this week's movies. Groundhog Day is a quietly funny motion picture while The Temp is a movie that is astonishingly bad. Fortunately, it appears that Groundhog Day will be the far bigger box office draw, thus proving that sometimes quality does bring in the audience.

Groundhog Day stars Bill Murray as a weatherman who visits Punxsutawney, Penn., for it's annual Groundhog Day celebration. Murray, through the town, the people he works with and practically she went to school, her 12th grade English teacher, etc.) and the next day he poses as former schoolmate by using all of the information against her.

He quickly tires of the situation after exhausting all the possibilities. He becomes even more depressed when he realizes that he can't kill himself because he'll just wake the next morning as if none of this ever happened. Just when his situation is at its darkest, he starts to fall for his producer, Rita (Andie MacDowell). He spends the rest of the movie attempting to win her over and finding that he'll have to change in order to do it.

The premise is very clever and Murray does a wonderful job with the character. He plays the type of character that he is best at—the likeable, smart-alecky jerk. Even when he is at his most self-centered and conceited, he still has the audience on his side simply because, deep down, he's never quite as mean as he appears.

It's surprising that Harold Ramis and Danny Rubin wrote the script for Murray because the character is tailor-made to his strengths. Even his alteration is believable because it is so gradual that, when he finally becomes a nice guy, it comes as much of a shock to the audience as it does to Murray and his friends. If the movie is a little too lightweight, and no one will remember they saw it 6 months from now, it is still a very pleasant way to spend the evening.

On the other hand, "pleasant" is nowhere close to describing The Temp. Murray stars as Richard, the editor of a "teenage girl's magazine" (the Dallas Morning News, if that's dumb, enough to drive a semi through. However, when executives start dying everywhere, he is convinced that Boyle is behind it and sets out to prove that he's right.

The premise is not bad (it's worked a dozen times before) but the execution is amazingly bad. This is one of those movies as is so stupid that it practically defies description. This film isn't just it is bone-crushing, mind-numbing, eye-glazing, jaw-dropping, stupefyingly, amazingly, inane story telling. There are plot holes that are wide enough to drive a semi through. When, for example, that someone is trying to kill Boyle, the viewer is never told who it is or why they are trying to do it. (Is someone else besides

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A Brutal Top Ten, A Languid Ingenuous, and a Wandering Mick

BY PHIL NUGENT

To all who have written, called, and approached me in the street: thank you for your interest in The List, last issue's humble attempt at a Best Of 1992 list. Because of the sheer volume of responses, I cannot guarantee a personal reply, but I promise to carefully consider all requests. This is not my column, but yours. You are the ones for whom it is written. I would be nothing without you.

To prove my sincerity in this, and to satisfy the legions of “death metal” fans in the law school (whom, I must admit, have been given nothing, not even crumbs, from this column), we feature this week an alternate, headbangers’ list of the top ten albums of 1992. This list has been submitted by fellow Antics columnist Bill Madigan, a.k.a. Master Chef of the Brutal Breakfast (Thursdays on WCWM from 6 to 8 a.m.), and a devotee of the most unforgiving music ever perpetrated by a set of loudspeakers. Bill was crushed that my list contained no metal. Tori Amos didn’t quite do it for Bill. (Okay, Bill, here’s your list; you can stop picketing my house now.) So, for all of you headbangers who felt left out by The List, here is Bill’s Brutal Top Ten of 1992:

1. Black Sabbath, Debutante
2. Kiss, Revenge
3. Mercyful Fate, Return of the Vampire
4. Nocturnal, Thresholds
5. Solitude Returnus, Beyond the Crimson Horizon
6. Dream Theater, Images and Words
7. Killers, Muder One
8. Manowar, The Triumph of Steel
9. Stone Temple Pilots, Core
10. Saimon Kick, The Wizard

That’s quite a list, Bill. Well, there you have it, music fans: the definitive list of 1992’s most sensitive singer-songwriters and their gentle songs of love and happiness. For further details, see Bill. For another faithful reader’s suggestion of another sort, read on.

K.D. Lang, Ingenuous

Ms. Lang has been doing the Country shuffle for the last few years, but she really came into her own with last year’s “Ingenuous,” in which she ditched the schtick and made an original, distinctive album.

Ingenuous is an absolute departure from 1989’s Absolute Torch and Twang: it’s hard to believe it’s the same artist. But then, k.d. has a history of breaking down barriers. Just as the Canadian performance artist beat Nashville at its own game, she now ventures into new territory with the Paris-based “Ingenuous.”

Language is a piece of the jigsaw of the recent goldrush of introspective, confessional country/folk/pop singer-songwriters (see, e.g., Mary-Chapin Carpenter, Bonnie Raitt, Shana Covlin.) Yet, k.d.’s new sound is all her own, even as it owes a debt to old-timers like Peggy Lee and Edith Piaf. Ingenuous is k.d.’s true collection of torch tunes.

The single, “Constant Craving,” is indicative of the feel of the album: sorrowful but seductive. At first, I was underwhelmed by the album’s pensiveness, but Ingenuous draws the listener in. Sometimes there can be too much of a good thing: many of the tracks sound similar, and k.d. frequently comes off as languid (excuse the pun), listless and lethargic. But, the melancholy style generally fits with what k.d. is trying to achieve, and the music has a hypnotic feel, with nice touches of accordion and violin. If the more memorable songs are the (slightly) more energetic ones (such as the title track and “Season of Hollow Soul”), all the songs work well together. So, should the Grammy-nominated Ingenuous have been on The List, as has been recommended? I’ll need a few more months to figure that one out.

Mick Jagger, Wandering Spirit

You’ve got to admit any 49-year-old willing to pose shirtless for a new album and video. (No, Jerry Garcia, that wasn’t a request.) Anyway, Jagger is keenly aware of advancing age on Wandering Spirit, and he seems equally intent on proving that it hasn’t gotten the best of him. On the first track, “If You Want Me,” Jagger boasts that he’s “hard as a brick” and “I want your attention.” “Give me a drink/Don’t be talking so much/You’re a pain in the butt.” Is this any way for a grandfather to talk?

IF you don’t think so, you might be interested in Paul McCartney’s new album, Off the Ground. This kinder and gentler album is not going to convert anyone into a McCartney fan, although true believers will probably think, with some justification, that it’s his best new work in some years.

Back to Jagger. Has he finally made a solo album worthy of the man, the Mick, the legend? That’s a heavy burden, but Wandering Spirit is definitely his best solo effort, and is better than anything the Stones have come out with since 1981’s Tattoo You. The album has a diverse sound: the 14 songs are all over the musical spectrum, from a James Brown remake “Think,” to the countryesque “Eveling Down,” to a “Miss You” sound on “Sweet Thing,” and ending with the Irish folk song, “Handsome Molly.” So, is this Some Girl Revisited? No, but, even without the presence of Keith Richards. With Wandering Spirit’s blend of styles and the quality of the ingredients, it has more of the flavors of a seven-course feast than merely those of a microwavable pizza, and the lack of Richards does not mean there aren’t any good riffs to digest.

As with many releases in recent years, this one takes advantage of the extra time afforded by the 74-minute CD, sometimes to the disadvantage of the listener, who would rather have an extra 10-song compilation rather than a mere two-dozen selection of unmixed songs. Yet, that might mean that we wouldn’t have the tongue-in-cheek “Handsome Molly” on here, and it’s one I wouldn’t want to give up.

Other highlights include the single, “Don’t Tear Me Up,” with Jagger’s best hooks in years; the “Ruby Tuesday” kissing cousin “Angel In My Heart;” the catchy R & B tune, “I’ve Been Lonely” For So Long,” and the funny “Use Me,” with Lenny Kravitz lending some vocals. It’s quite an interesting melange. So, check it out, check it out, check it out, and program your CD player to play your favorite songs.

Breakfast of champions: Burg Inn pampers guests

BY BRETT JOHNSON and RACHEL GLUCKMAN

The Inn at the Williamsburg Inn is almost as good as breakfast in bed. Unfortunately, you can’t go in your pajamas. The personal service and the attention to detail by the Inn’s well-trained staff make breakfast (or any other meal) a very pleasant experience.

We went to the Inn on a very rainy Friday morning before class. Arriving before your breakfast date is not all bad—the Inn’s spacious, nicely decorated lobby is a great place to wait. Upon going into breakfast, we were seated immediately at a nice window table in the Regency Room and the pampering began. Before we could even open the menu, we’d already received demitasse cups of coffee, our choice of muffins, and a side of fruit preserves. The waiters and waitresses were incredibly attentive and made sure that coffee cups and water glasses never approached being empty.

The menu is varied—offering everything from Special K to eggs benedict. Full country breakfasts are available including creamed chopped beef over toast, trout with eggs and chives, or a classic sausage platter. There is a moderate to high-priced as compared to other restaurants in Williamsburg. We felt that the quality of the food and the service, though, made the premium well worth it. Our breakfast for two came to just under $30, excluding tip.

Rachel settled on a mushroom and herb omelet and wiscly opted for the home fries instead of grits. She loved the omelet, but thought that it was large enough for two people. Rachel was delighted by the variety of mushrooms whose differing flavors were distinguishable without overwhelming the taste of the eggs. Her order also included toast which she didn’t touch, but which Brett liked a great deal.

Wanting something simple, Brett ordered a Belgian waffle that came with a delicious apple butter. The waiter continued the high level of personal service by ladling the syrup onto the waffle and, in the process, committing a minor faux pas by dribbling some of the syrup onto the tabletop. The waffle itself was excellent—lightly crisp on the outside and tender on the inside. The apple butter, though, took the dish beyond your ordinary waffle. Whipped until very light, the butter contained small chunks of apple but was not too sweet. It made a convert of Brett, who normally does not like butter at all.

We decided that you can’t go wrong with any beverage that you might order. Orange juice at the Inn is wonderful—your glass comes full of freshly-squeezed juice and is presented to you on a bed of ice to ensure that it remains chilled. Hot chocolate is also a delicious choice. Without all the whipped cream floating in the air, the waiter instead brings a chocolate for three or four bites. It’s quite an interesting melange. So, check it out, check it out, check it out, and program your CD player to play your favorite songs.

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During the meal, we were in and out of the Regency Room in just under an hour. We recommend that breakfast be enjoyed with enough time to savor the food, the gracious atmosphere, and the nicely decorated dining room—although Rachel was not crazy about the carpet.

As part of the atmosphere, the Inn’s staff is apparently very conscious of seating people throughout the room; at no time did conversations from other tables rise above a faint murmur. The ambience might feel a bit stodgy for some—we were definitely the youngest people eating there. Our guess is that most people of the age of typical law students only eat at the Inn if they are guests there. In fact, one of us and another classmate who had breakfast together at the Inn in the fall were congratulated by the hostess and asked if we were on our honeymoon.

We highly recommend the Inn as an alternative to the dreaded local pancake houses. For a special occasion, or for no occasion at all, few breakfast experiences in Williamsburg can top it.
Drapers' scholar spends Christmas with Serbian sniper

BY WILLIAM DEVAN

I am finally emerging from the monastic life of a scholar. After a long and eventful holiday in Greece and Turkey, I returned to London and learned that 40 percent of the LL.M. candidates failed the degree each year. As I have done little work toward passing my degree, I thought it advisable that I knock it down and get back into student mode. Consequently, I have few interesting stories to tell concerning my last three weeks in London, but I do have holiday stories to relate.

On Dec. 14, I flew into Athens to travel in Greece alone for two weeks before meeting three friends in Istanbul. Turkey. I found myself in the small town of Mikenes in the Peloponese. The town exists almost solely for the tourist trade in the summer, and in the winter they harvest olives and oranges with European migrant labor.

Many of the laborers are the feared and despised Albanian refugees who work for a mere 1,000 Drachmas ($5) per day, and who also serve as hired muscle for the less scrupulous farmers. The incredible numbers of them seen around Greece were a shocking introduction to the waves of refugees coming out of the Balkans right now. The remaining laborers are Pole, Serbs, French, and British with a few miscellaneous types thrown in for leavings--none of whom will work for less than 3,500 Drachmas per day, a fact which may explain their hatred of the Albanians.

With such pitiful wages to last them, the workers live quite cheaply. Most of the Albanians live in ancient burial caves scattered around the area.

On Christmas Eve, I went down to the cafe where the workers all met and discovered that the holidays put an end to work. While there, I met a Scot named Grant and a Bosnian Serb named Boris, who was fleeing the war. They were already drinking "crusty" (homemade white wine), and after a few coffees and an hour or so, I joined them. Boris suggested that we go to his cave where he lived with an Oregonian and two English fellows, I agreed and armed with a litre and a half of crussy, we proceeded up to his cave.

The cave was cubic in shape and cut into a hillside. Boris fixed a fire by which we warmed our feet, and then he fixed my Christmas Eve dinner of potatoes, span and a hunk of lamb cooked in a big, black and gritty iron skillet with salt and water over that same fire. We sat around and drank while the ceiling became obscured by smoke from the fire, and Boris told me about his life in Bosnia.

He had been a taxi driver, but when the war came he picked up a gun and decided like the rest of the Serbs that he could not live with Muslims. He wasn't religious, he just could not live with "them." He was a sniper, and I asked what it felt like to kill someone for the first time. "I don't know the word," he said as he stood up with the fire flickering in his eyes and silhouetting his figure with its unkempt shoulder-length hair, "but it's like this cave," he continued while slowly sweeping his arms out from his sides.

"Hollow inside?" I asked.

"Yes, that's it. Hollow, the first time... but then... nothing."

After some further silence he muttered, "War's no good," and then, because he was seeing refugee status in Canada, he asked me how long it would take him to buy a used car so he could start up a taxi business.

A few days later I was in Istanbul. A critical experience in Turkey's the hamam (Turkish bath). The bath consists of a series of marble sinks with hot and cold water taps around a large round stone platform known as the "navel stone." Above the navel stone is a dome with lots of little glass windows to let in light (and perhaps to help the occasional peeping tom). The bather mixes water in the sinks until it reaches an ideal temperature and then sluices the water over himself with a plastic bowl. The bather then cleans himself using an abrasive mit and soap. The mit takes off an unbelievable amount of dead skin and makes you feel cleaner than you have ever been. Under the navel stone is the heater for the hot water, and when you are done washing you relax by lying on top of it. You also have the option of having a massuese wash you (except of course your privates). Women, however, may only get a facial or foot massage.

Since I have been back in London, my only adventure of note occurred last week when Princess Diana visited a center for the homeless near the residence hall. The Australian women with children had found some flowers and set their kids out with the flowers for Di-sort of like bait. A little before 11 a.m., she emerged and walked down the path to take the bait while we clicked away wildly with the kids about three feet from me and then slid into her dark blue Jag and was gone. She in the still photos does not come across in person, as she is too stiff and posed. She is, however, absolutely gorgeous.

As a final Marshall-Wythe note, on Sunday evening I had dinner with Peter Young from Buckingham College, who spent a semester at M-W last year. He is doing well, has a job at a firm of solicitors and is looking forward to going to bar school next year after taking the New York Bar this summer. Hesends his regards. Also, congratulations to Dave Daleke, my successor.

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and that typically happens for a "stable" subject such as Multistate Property or Virginia Substantive Equity, for which the law hasn't changed in the previous year.

d) For every subject, (taps and tests) SMH publishes an update that is based on the progress during the course, includes any changes or addenda required by recent cases or statutes. These are akin to the "pocket parts" in any Code or Treatise, and are by definition necessary for published legal material. Any bar review course that does not use them should be questioned.

Not only are updates handed out regarding such changes, but SMH has several times in the past two years summarized for students recently published Virginia Supreme Court cases which have actually formed the basis for the bar exam questions. Last summer, SMH prepared approximately 25% of the students who took the Virginia bar exam. Our pass rate exceeded the statewide pass rate by about 4 percentage points, and SMH's rate was even higher for students who used our new Computer Diagnostic Software (which is free to all registrants). Presently our enrollments for the Summer 1993 Virginia course are 46% ahead of last year. At Virginia law schools, our enrollments are 60% ahead of last year. It is clear from these numbers that more and more students are becoming aware of the topnotch program we offer.

If students want to become more familiar with the bar exam and the structures of the SMH and Barbri programs, I suggest that the SBA or some other student group sponsor an open forum as other law schools have done, and invite all third-year students and attorneys from each bar review course to have an open and honest dialogue about the process and the courses. I would look forward to participating in such a forum, and answering any and all questions that prospective examinees may wish to ask.

--Stanley S. Hamrick, Esq., '82

Ed. note - The author regrets any misunderstanding, but is confident that the article reflected the story, as told to him.
## Events Calendar

### Monday, Feb. 22
- **Birthdays:**
  - Frederic Chopin, composer (1810)
  - George Washington (1732)
- **Italian Cinema:** "8-1/2," Fellini, 1962, Washington 201, 2 and 7 p.m. Free.
- **Films:** "Van Eyck: Father of Flemish Painting," "Three Paintings by Bosch" and "Brueghel's People," Muscarelle Museum, 4 p.m.
- **School of Education Lecture Series:** "A Nation at Risk; Reflections a Decade Later," Terrel H. Bell, former secretary of education, U.S. Dept. of Education, PBK, Dodge Room, 7:30 p.m. Reception follows.
- **Ewell Concert Series:** Gospel Quartets from Hampton Roads, Ewell Recital Hall, 8 p.m. General admission at the door, $2. W&M students with ID admitted free.
- **Va Bar Exam**
- **Voice of America** begins broadcasting (in German) (1942)

### Tuesday, Feb. 23
- **Birthday:** George Frideric Handel, Baroque composer (1685)
- **Retirement Seminar:** How to invest for retirement, CC, Room E, 11 a.m.-noon and 3-4 p.m. (two seminars).
  - For information, call Rita Metcalfe, ext. 13158.
- **Lecture:** "Archaeology of Jordan: A View of the Crossroads of Civilization," Moawiyah Ibrahim, chairman, archaeology department, Yarmuk University in Jordan and currently Fulbright scholar, University of Richmond; Reves Room, 3 p.m.
- **Faculty Assembly meeting:** Board Room, third floor of Blow Memorial Hall, 3:30 p.m.
- **Harrison Lecture:** "Awash in African Culture: The Black Impact on Southern White Lives," Mechal Sobel, Harrison Professor of History, Dodge Room, PBK, 7:30 p.m.
- **Faculty Lecture Series:** "A History of Architecture and Landscape at William and Mary in Its First Century," James Kornwolf, professor of fine arts, Washington 201, 7:30 p.m.
- **Women's Studies Forum:** "The Famine Within," video, Botetourt Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **SPS Visiting Speaker:** "A History of Space Exploration in the Soviet Union," Peter Gorin, Small Hall 123, 7:30 p.m.
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 8:15 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 24
- **Lecture:** "Hydrothermal Systems of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge," Susan Humphries, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Small 113, 7:30 p.m.
- **SPS Visiting Speaker:** "A History of Space Exploration in the Soviet Union," Peter Gorin, Small Hall 123, 7:30 p.m.
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 2 p.m.
- **Films:** "Rubens," and "Restoration of 'The Night Watch,'" Muscarelle Museum, 3 p.m.
- **Music at the Muscarelle:** 4 p.m.
- **Japanese Film Festival:** "Woman in the Dunes," Wmsbg. Regional Library, 7 p.m.
- **Concert:** Lyle Lovett with Guy Clark, at the Mosque.

### Thursday, Feb. 25
- **Pay at the Pump:** Oregon becomes first state to tax gasoline (1919).
- **Come Here Often? PSF Dinner Date Auction.**
- **Town & Gown Luncheon:** "The Archaeology of the Merchant Planter Families of Koppax Plantation, Prince George County, Va.," Donald Linebaugh, director of administration, Archaeological Research Center, CC ballroom, 12:15 p.m.
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 8:15 p.m. Box office opens Monday, Feb. 15. Tickets $5. Box office ext. 12674.

### Friday, Feb. 26
- **Birthday:** John Harvey Kellogg, physician, inspired flaked cereals (1852).
- **A Good Place to Meet at "A Good Place to Eat"** Come support the Special Olympics by eating dinner at "A Good Place To Eat" on Dog St. from 6-9 p.m. Fun for the whole family with entertainment and drawings.
- **SA Movies:** "Passenger 57" and "Ricochet," Trinkle Hall, 7 p.m.
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 8:15 p.m.
- **Music:** 38 Special, at the Boat House.
- **Mardi Gras Masked Ball:** Tobacco Company, Richmond.

### Saturday, Feb. 27
- **Birthday:** John Steinbeck, novelist (1902).
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 8:15 p.m.
- **Music:** Bon Jovi, at the Capitol Center.
- **Eddie Money,** at the Boat House.
- **No more blood for oil:** President Bush declares cease-fire, halting the Gulf War (1991).

### Sunday, Feb. 28
- **W&M Theatre:** "Twelfth Night," PBK, 2 p.m.
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Intentional Fools
Sports guru reevaluates NBA at the all-star break
BY ERIC CHASSE

Given that the National Basketball Association just finished its All-Star gala-spectacle-hosted-noway-weekend extravaganza, perhaps this is a good time to review the season at its slightly-more-than-midway point.

In the Eastern Conference, the times, they are a changin'. For the first time in a long time, the storied parquet floor that visiting teams dread to walk on is not in Boston, Bill Fitch's playoff-bound squad does not have to beat upon its opponents to win games, and His Aimless is playing at a lesser level of excellence than is the norm.

In the West, however, the song remains the same: Phoenix has been a contender for about the last three presidential administrations and with this squad will continue to be strong well into Al Gore's second term. San Antonio and Houston battle only themselves for state bragging rights, since the Mavericks couldn't beat even the best team in Vermont, let alone Texas. And perennial powerhouse Utah and Portland show no signs of slipping.

The NBA is also chock full of terrific rookies this season. Shaquille O'Neal (doyou suppose his father knew he would be seven feet tall and over 300 pounds when he named him Shaquille? I say name your kid Brick; no one named Brick ever had to take anything from anybody) of the aforementioned Parquet-floored Orlando Magic is the biggest thing to hit the NBA since, well, ever. And Alonzo Mourning of the Hornets is only a step behind the Shaq, anchoring a potent front line in Charlotte. In Washington, Tom Gugliotta has evolved into a solid starting forward and Robert Horry, Harold Miner, Christian Laettner and Oliver Miller are all making strong contributions to their respective teams.

This latest (and perhaps greatest) rookie crop arrived just in the nick of time for the NBA; with the retirement of the two patriarchs of the modern game, Larry Bird and Magic Johnson, the league might well have gone through something of an identity crisis were it not for this new flock of budding superstars (I think that's right—it's a flock of superstars, a herd of everyday players and a gaggle of benchwarmers, isn't it?). And with the rebuilding of the league's two proudest and storied franchises, the Celtics and the Lakers, it was equally important for new juggernauts like New Jersey and Orlando to rise to prominence in the league.

And so, without further ado, we here at The Amicus are proud to announce the first annual All-Guru awards, to be presented by Kevin Kroner in a banquet at the Stuckey's off of Route 60 sometime in the near future:

**All-Guru Team:** To make this interesting, let's exclude the Dream Team from consideration; we've seen too much of them already this year. That being said... Guards: Kenny Anderson and Tim Hardaway, backed up by Joe Dumars and Jeff Hornacek; Forwards: Shawn Kemp and Larry Johnson, followed by Glen Rice and Dominique Wilkins; Center: Hakeem Olajuwon, with Shaq coming off the bench.

**Most Valuable Player:** Olajuwon. Just a few short months after demanding a trade out of Houston, Hakeem is having career year and is suddenly happy playing for the Rockets. Runner-up: Charles Barkley.

**Rookie of the Year:** Shaquille is the obvious choice, with Mourning running a strong second.

**Biggest Surprise of the Year:** Horacek, having a career year (again) in Philly.

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**Biggest Public Relations Debacle:** The Portland Trail Blazers' teen sex scandal, followed closely by the marijuana arrest of the game's grandson, Robert Parish.

**And speaking of debacles, what happened to the Big East this season?**

Once upon a time there may have been an argument (a bad argument, but an argument nonetheless) for the Big East as the best basketball conference in the country. Now, it must be considered to be barely in the top five. There are no national marquee names outside of Othella Harrington, whose best days are concededly yet to come, and Terry Dekeere, who has slipped from preseason All-American to a late first-round or perhaps even a second-round draft choice. When St. John's, a mediocre team at best, finds itself at the top of the conference this late in the season, something is definitely wrong. Syracuse is making the most of its NCAA probation year; they might well not have gone anyplace even without the sanctions. Big East teams can't even win in Miami, the school that barely even had a basketball team a few years ago.

Is the day of recognizing the Big East as primarily a football conference, and only secondarily as a hoops conference, finally upon us?

The NBA sells its product better than any sport in the nation, probably the world (although because my cable system does not get the all-sports channel from Sri Lanka, I can't be sure). There's no talk of franchises moving from town to town, no owners on SportsCenter crying over profit margins and games all over the country, even smaller markets like Portland and Seattle are sold out consistently. What's the NBA got that the other major sports don't?

First of all, begin with the product itself: the NBA has its players as the best athletes in the world, and I would have to agree. You can have Dan and Dave, I'll take Scottie Pippin and Karl Malone. NBA players are athletes in the truest sense of the word; there are no 'fat tubs of goo' like ex-relief pitcher Terry Forster, and no blobs of humanity like William Perry. To run up and down a basketball court for 82 more games, one simply has to be in top condition, and the fans appreciate the effort.

Next, the NBA executives are the top of the line; when the NFL needed a new commissioner, it turned to the NBA's front office instead of its own for leadership. In the span of 15 years, the league has become a marketing marvel, not just of the games themselves but all the accompaniments: shoes, clothes, etc. While baseball is still without a commissioner and football's owners squabble about everything from expansion to arbitration proceedings, the NBA simply rolls merrily along. Somebody must know what they're doing.

In addition, the money troubles that currently plague major league baseball and the NFL are partially avoided through salary caps and the concept of restricted free agency, when labor strife arises in the other major sports, the NBA is always the model to which the powers that be refer.

These 'powers,' however, clearly aren't referring enough. The cost to bring a family of four to a football game is astonishing today, and kids don't want to be Mickey Mantle or Hank Aaron anymore; everyone wants to 'be like Mike.'

Wake up, baseball and football, and smell the astroturfburning: the NBA can honestly say that it will continue to grow in both popularity and revenues well into the next century. Can you?

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Hutton onto her? We don't know.) The scene is introduced solely for the purpose of staging a car chase scene and nothing else. Gratuitous filmmaking at its worst. On top of that, the movie makes the most fundamental error of all—it never establishes Boyle's guilt. We are never sure if she is indeed killing these people, or whether they are just unfortunate accidents (like the first secretary's). And because her explanations make perfect sense, it is possible that Hutton is imagining it. That would be fine in a more psychological film, but it's never resolved here. Like the car chase scene, it's just another plot point that is brought up, and then dropped.

Finally, the ending is something that has to be seen to be believed. Just when the story seems to be gearing up for a huge final showdown between Hutton and Boyle (like in all of the other films), it ends. The movie just plain stops. We get one scene and that's it. The audience

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Self-promotion by Men's C can't prevent drop in rank

BY BILL MADIGAN

BASKETBALL... As a great philosopher once said: the more things change, the less they stay the same. This aptly describes this week's poll. After two weeks of titillating round ball action, the pre-season assignment is all a jumble. The lowly have risen like cream to the top, while diamonds have proven themselves to be coal, and sunk to the bottom. In other words, here's this week's poll:

1. Stuttering Parrots
2. Just Do It
3. Crimes Against Nature
4. Black Letter Law
5. Leftovers
6. Capitol Offense
7. Sleepin' Dogs
8. Hoops
9. Earnest Borgines
10. The Rockets
11. Men's C
12. LL Court Jesters
13. Ugly

Holding steady in the top spot are the S-stuttering P-parrots, who vindicated my pre-season prognosis by winning their first two games. First, they tripped up Run & Gun, 56-43, then defeated Air Juba, 50-38, to remain undefeated.

Creeping up one spot to number two (as much as I hate ranking two teams with Eric on them in the top spots) is Just Do It. The Do Its spanked their first two opponents, and look like they're well on their way to repeating a co-rec champs. With the addition of their new coach, former JMUS stand-out, Kerri "Innocent Till Proven" Gilmore, Law continued their winning ways, KOing conference paymasters SW, 45-32. Key contributions in their second victory came from such unlikely sources as Rodney "Fallen" Archer and Clem "Chowder" Maynard.

This week's biggest jumper is that out-of-the-refrigerator-into-the-microwave juggernaut, Leftovers. Despite an initial ranking at number 12, Leftovers' confidence was unwavering. In their hardwood premier, they poisoned went over this), then by Lambda Chi B. Murray, from page 18

The team that dies vows to let their second game end in a tie, so they lost, 62-35, to JAFIT (so you won't take this team home. But the team to watch is the one who's name is at best, unspeakable, at worse, bamboozling: Madigan Sucks. Next time, I'll have all the scores and highlights.

TEAM CAPTAINS... Please drop me your team's scores and stats. If you have a team in the wball tournament, let me know, so that you can receive the in-depth coverage to which you've become accustomed.

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stirs there something expecting else, but just the credits roll. It manages to redefine the word "anticlimactic."

What is most amazing is that the director, Tom Holland, normally doesn't make this bad of a movie. Holland was Child's Play and Fright Night. At points this movie appears to be verging on the edge of parody like those films, but it never quite goes over. Instead, it insists on taking it seriously, that the movie causes the audience to laugh AT the film instead of WITH it.
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May, welcoming remarks from Chancellor-in-absentia Warren E. Burger who was unable to attend the ceremony (President Sullivan performed the honors in Burger's absence), readings from the Royal Charter and Proclamation, and Gov. Doug Wilder's "Greetings from the Commonwealth." Wilder spoke of William and Mary as a school of tradition, and said that the most important of those traditions is the offering of solid liberal arts education. He received resounding applause when he exhorted the William and Mary community to remain a traditional college, and a place "where teachers still teach," rather than following the impersonal paths of so many big universities.

After Gov. Wilder's pacan to tradition, honorary degrees were conferred by Hays Chancellor-in-absentia E. Burger who was unable to attend the February 22, 1993 THE AMicus CURiae