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Crime Wave on Main Campus
Five Students Assaulted

Five students were victims in three separate incidents of assault on the main campus during the early morning hours of November 3rd. According to an announcement from Vice President for Student Affairs Sam Sadler, the three incidents occurred between 2:00 a.m. and 3:30 a.m.

According to Lt. Lacasse of Campus Police, investigation into the attacks is still pending. Sadler's notice "emphasized that none of the assailants in these three incidents is believed to be a student at the College."

In the first occurrence, three male students travelling on College Terrace behind St. Bede's Church were attacked by three unidentified men. The victims described their assailants as three Black men, with heights ranging from 5'10" to 6'2". Two of the attackers were said to have a stocky build, while the third was somewhat thinner.

Approximately fifteen minutes after the first assault occurred, a student riding his bicycle near the stadium reported that two members of a group of six people standing in the area, broke off from the group and attacked him. The victim's

Changes in Parking Appeals Procedure are Revealed

By MATT HOLLORAN and JENNY CLICK

Recent changes in the functioning of the Traffic Appeals Committee have resulted in a new, two-tiered appeals process. Appeals of campus traffic citations and parking tickets are now reviewed by an intermediate board chaired by Vice President for Administration and Finance William Merck, and may be denied without ever reaching the Appeals Committee.

The existence of the new board has not been communicated to the College community at large. According to the information provided on both traffic citations and the traffic citation appeal forms, all requests for review are considered by the Appeals Committee.

Natalie Gutterman (3L), a member of this year's Appeals Committee, said that she has not been informed about the new, two-tiered process. Gutterman said the Committee will hold its first meeting tomorrow.

Before Gutterman's appointment, the law school had not been represented on the Appeals Committee. At the time of her appointment, SBA president Richard Brooks said that he had given up the law school's position on the Commencement Committee in order to obtain representation for Marshall-Wythe on the Appeals Committee.

Brooks sought the seat for the law school because of the numerous problems caused by the existence of the new graduate student housing.

Although it is unclear how many appeals have been decided by Merck's board, a number of appeals have received notices of determination of their appeal. The notices do not say that the appeal has been reviewed by the new board, rather than the Appeals Committee, and are signed "William Merck, Chairperson, Parking Appeals Committee."

According to both Merck and Thea Norman, Director of Parking Services, decisions made by Merck's board can be reviewed by the Appeals Committee. However, no mention of this appeal right is included in the decision letters sent to appellants.

Persons who failed to pay their tickets promptly after their appeal was denied by Merck's board received letters informing them that their cars could be wheel-locked or towed, or their registration from school dropped, if they did not pay the ticket promptly. Norman said the letter the office sends out, and no ticketing or traffic citation appeal

Health Center Limits Appointments

By PAM ARLUK & PAULA HANNAFORD

Female students at William and Mary who need a routine gynecological exam will have to wait at least until next semester, thanks to a new scheduling policy adopted by the Student Health Service (SHS).

The new procedure allows for only 20 such exams per week ($20 per academic year) to serve more than 4,100 female undergraduate and graduate students at the College. As of this writing, the first available appointment is January 23, 1992.

"It seems to me a policy like that disregards women's health issues," said Judi Conti (1L), co-president of Mary & William. "In general, a lot of women aren't careful about their health needs, and these policies perpetuate the problem."

Gynecological exams at SHS cost $20. The closest Planned Parenthood clinic, which costs $25 per visit with a student I.D., is located in Hampton about 30 miles from Williamsburg. There are also private OB/ GYN clinics in Williamsburg, but their costs are significantly higher ($80 per visit).

According to Dr. Herman of SHS, the new policy is designed to allow staff physicians to better respond to students' acute medical needs in the afternoon when demand is greater.

According to Blue Cross Blue Shield, there are approximately 1,000 students insured under the William and Mary Student Health Insurance Plan. These female students are required to seek medical attention from SHS before going to outside sources.

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Out of Our Heads

In case any of you missed the sign on the administrative bulletin board, plans are in the works to expand the law school. Dean Sullivan has announced a fact finding committee to look into space needs here at Marshall-Wythe. Even though budget concerns run high, the Dean is apparently confident that funds can be raised for law school expansion.

This plan is a shameful misallocation of resources. It makes us wonder whether anyone in the administration has heard the concerns run high, the Dean is apparently confident that funds can be raised for law school expansion. But the newest “policy” at the Student Health Center is one which affects at least half of the population at this school. If the Student Health Center refuses to see students who have legitimate health concerns, what is their purpose for being here? Has a value judgment been made that a head cold is more important than the reproductive health of the women at this school? Gee, which one of these situations has more serious, long term consequences?

I realize that perhaps I am spoiled because I attend a real university where students can receive treatment at the health center whenever they were sick, not just between the hours of 9 and 5. I also attended a university where they realized that adequate parking is as much a necessity for students as it is for faculty and staff. Of course, that was in a state which has what is undisputedly the finest system of affordable public education in the nation. I live in Virginia now.

In terms of being able to get through daily life, let alone law school, this year has been the worst I’ve experienced since coming to William and Mary. I’ve talked to several other third year students who are similarly bitter about the daily indignities and inconveniences we’ve been forced to put up with this year.

While the administration may figure that we will put up with this appalling lack of services because we are essentially stuck here, there is one important point they seem to overlook. We are stuck here for three years, but this institution will be around, begging us for money, for years to come. Dean Vick and the fundraisers on the main campus are going to have a very hard time getting a cent out of alumni if this College doesn’t start taking matters of our health and safety seriously.

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By acknowledging this supposedly general female trait, will certain men suddenly feel motivated to refrain from certain sexual jokes or harassment? Will women’s situation be improved by their own silence? I am frustrated here with the editors’ acquiescence to this idea of division between the sexes. Not all men misunderstand women, and not all women have trouble asserting themselves in front of men. Besides, women’s silence is one of the problems here. The fact that some women may be (legitimately) reticent does not make their continuing silence acceptable. The situation we need to encourage is one in which women can assert themselves. Telling men to be more sensitive is missing the point. The point is to encourage mutual communication and assertiveness between men and women, not to have men tiptoeing around “confusing,” passive and potentially uncomfortable women.

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**Committee Considering Options for Expansion at M-W**

By WILLIAM DeVAN

A recent posting on the administrative bulletin board announced that Marshall-Wythe Dean Timothy Sullivan has formed a committee to plan for a possible building addition. Professor Fred Lederer, Chairman of the building expansion committee, said that as the size of the Marshall-Wythe student body and faculty has grown over recent years, the need for additional space has become increasingly evident. Because the committee is just in the planning stages of a proposal, no construction would begin for several years, according to Lederer.

Lederer pointed out that all members of the law school community have been aware of space limitations for quite some time. Only one of the three student journals currently has sufficient space to meet its needs, he said. Additionally, recent expansion of library staff office space (two years ago and the addition of the personal computer center in the Library have "eaten" space necessary for the school’s growing book collection.

Lederer said faculty space is also at a premium. Professor Fisher has moved his office to the Judge’s Chambers behind the most courtroom, and the Institute of Bill of Rights Law Journal has taken over Professor Gerhardt’s old office, leaving the building with no empty office space.

At this point, the committee is engaged in a fact-finding process. Questionnaires have been sent to student organizations and the committee has elicited information from other university offices as to their needs. Lederer said the committee’s immediate goal is to determine what is necessary to create a "first class" facility for the school’s legitimate needs. The project would probably be scaled back later on.

The committee has also contacted the university architect in order to gain information concerning the present structure and determine what limitations may exist with respect to environmental and aesthetic concerns. Although some individuals have mentioned the possibility of adding another level to the current structure, no one knows whether the current building or its underlying soil can withstand the additional stress such an addition would bring to a change in the current policy, but was strongly opposed to the vestible site.

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**SBA to Sponsor Referendum on M-W Smoking Policy**

By PAM ARLUK and JENNY CLICK

At a special meeting held last Wednesday night, plans were made for an SBA-sponsored referendum on the smoking policy at Marshall-Wythe. No date for the vote has been set yet.

A two-tiered structure for the referendum was discussed at the meeting. According to SBA president Richard Brooks, students will first be asked to vote on whether or not they prefer a change in the current smoking policy. The next question will ask students to choose between two proposed locations for a smoking area in the law school, regardless of their answer to the first question.

Under the policy now in effect, smoking is permitted only in the lobby of the law school, and in room 239. Smoking is also permitted in the student lounge, classrooms and the hallways of Marshall-Wythe.

The choices offered in the second question on the referendum are the nauseahygide station directly in front of the postilion offices, and the glassed-in vestible leading from the lobby to the patio area.

Restriction of the smoking area became an issue this year when Elizabeth Dopp (3L) formed a committee with the intent to modify the current policy. At Wednesday’s meeting, Dopp outlined the pros and cons of each of the proposed areas.

According to Dopp, the advantage of the vestible site she favors is that the area is small and could be uncomfortable for smokers.

In contrast, Dopp said the nauseahygide station in front of the administration offices would be more comfortable for smokers, but non-smokers entering the offices or going to the most courtroom would be exposed to unwanted smoke as they passed the area.

At the meeting, Jarrell Wright (3L) represented the interests of smokers. Wright said he thought most smokers would agree to a change in the current policy, but was strongly opposed to the vestible site.

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Promotional display in trophy case elicits negative comments

SERCH Schedules AIDS Panel Discussion Wednesday

By MORGAN SMITH

Students for Ethnic, Racial and Cultural Harmony (SERCH) will sponsor a panel discussion on AIDS, Wednesday at 5:00 pm in Room 112/114.

Speakers slated for the panel include Peninsula area residents who have tested positive for the HIV infection or have been diagnosed with an active case of AIDS. The speakers have volunteered to discuss their experiences as HIV+ and AIDS patients and answer student questions.

Also on hand will be Rob Donohue, an AIDS educator who, until recently, was affiliated with the Peninsula AIDS Foundation (PAF).

Last Wednesday night, SERCH members set up an AIDS awareness display in the trophy case in the lobby. The display, consisting of notices and announcements from magazines, posters, pamphlets, and condoms, has generated controversy within the law school community.

Chris Farris (3L), SERCH president and local gay activist, said the fact that some people are shocked, disturbed and annoyed at the display is an indication of the ridiculousness or immaturity of some people at this school.

While Farris said that noone in the law school has come to him directly to complain about the display, he has heard of remarks made by others through friends. According to the remarks Farris has heard, some students believe the display is an attempt on his part "to shove his view down [their] throats."

Farris said the focus of the display is safe sex and the majority of the materials are aimed at heterosexuals. While some of the posters and pamphlets do display information about homosexuals, Farris said their inclusion in the display does not amount to propagandizing in favor of any particular lifestyle.

"Gay is here; the purpose of the display is to educate people about safe heterosexual and homosexual practices."

On Friday, rumors circulated that a pamphlet which outlined the hazards of various sexual activities had been removed due to student complaints. Farris explained that the pamphlet had not been removed, but merely had fallen down and was subsequently put back up again.

According to Farris, "nothing has changed at all in the display or how it was put up on Wednesday."

"The whole idea behind [the display] was to grab people's attention and get them to think," said Farris. SERCH members intend the panel discussion on Wednesday to serve as an educational experience, not merely as a source of controversy within the school.

Farris pointed out that L.A. Lakers' star, Magic Johnson, who announced that he is HIV positive last Thursday, said he will use his celebrity status to help make others more aware of the risks the disease poses for all people regardless of their sexual preference.

Jody Anderson (2L) said, "my hope," said Farris, "is that whether they [students] are saying good things or bad about the display, they'll come on Wednesday" to the SERCH panel discussion.

**Merger Planned for M-W Newspapers**

By LEEANNE MORRIS

The Advocate and the Amicus Curiae will merge after a decision by the Publications Council of the College to appoint Jennifer Click (3L) editor-in-chief of Marshall-Wythe's official newspaper.

At a three-hour meeting on Monday, the Council told the Council that if appointed to the position, she would merge the staffs of the two newspapers.

Click said the pages of the newspapers will be open to anyone wishing to contribute, and the plans to maintain the regular features now appearing in both papers.

Click also said she hopes to subscribe to the College Press Service to keep abreast of developments on other college publications that may be of interest to Marshall-Wythe students.

In addition, Click said she would try to purchase a crossword puzzle for the newspaper. "I feel very strongly about getting the puzzle," said Click. "The second years will have to start attending Legal Skills ethics lectures soon, and they need something to do in there if they're going to stay awake."

The voting members of the Council consist of five students, two faculty representatives, one community representative and two officers. The editors-in-chief of other student publications are members of the Council as well, but they may not vote.

In addition to Click, who will now be a non-voting member of the Council, Marshall-Wythe is represented by faculty representative Almane Sellese, Matthew Fullen (3L), editor of the Bill of Rights Journal, and SBA Publications Council representative Paula Sinozich (3L). The council also selects the editor of the Bill of Rights Journal.
Troubled Lithuanians pay visit to Marshall-Wythe

By PETER KUBIN

Unbeknownst to the student body, Marshall-Wythe was the site of a brief visit by a mysterious group of Lithuanians on October 29.

The group of 11 Lithuanian government officials made the school the last stop on a two-week U.S. tour. The reason for the visit was to confer with some faculty members regarding questions of law and government and to assist in the drafting of a Lithuanian constitution.

Marshall-Wythe was the third and final stop of the gang of 11, which consisted of Lithuanian Parliament members and the Vice-President of Lithuania. This came after a week spent with the Illinois state legislature and five days in Washington. According to Professor Neal Devins, who organized and coordinated the visit, the purpose of the trip was threefold: to symbolically connect themselves to Democracy through the U.S., to gain insight into the workings of a democratic constitution, and to get cash.

Since the discussion required simultaneous translation apparatus, it was decided that the meeting be private. Nonetheless, thanks to a high-level leak, your Eastern friends learned about the visit, the purpose of the trip was threefold: to symbolically connect themselves to Democracy through the U.S., to gain insight into the workings of a democratic constitution, and to get cash.

Next on SBA priorities was self-congratulation. Brooks lauded Dee Cohen’s hard work on the Law School Speaker’s Forum for obtaining Mary Sue Terry as a lecturer. Delayed reaction!

Accolades went to Tammy Moss, as well, for the successful “Fall From Grace” bash. As Steph Cangin disclosed, total ticket sales grossed $2733 while expenditures amounted to $2134. Using the Federal Accounting Standards Board method, previously rejected by the SBA, the net profit was $590.

Also addressed at the meeting were broader W&M concerns. Brooks reported on the proposed allocation of the new student graduate housing. Ideally, Marshall-Wythe would like 66% of the 246 additional openings. Although law students comprise 41% of the total graduate population, the proximity of the housing to the law school justifies such distribution.

Presumably, graduate students in other programs would prefer to live in Ludwell as it is closer to the main campus. Moreover, allotting a higher percentage of the new housing to law students would ease the parking crisis. Lastly, this allocation also is supported by the pivotal role the Dean Sulivan and his predecessor had in the realization of the housing. Marshall-Wythe likely will obtain at least 46% of the space.

Prior to presenting the final item on the agenda, Brooks, in a rare act of showmanship, unveiled a blackboard inscribed with an eloquent message. It challenged:

Ask not what your SBA can do for you, but what you can do for your SBA.

Unsure of the source of his paraphrase, Biden, or rather, Brooks, proceeded with the meeting.

Last on the slate was the Colonial Echo, the college yearbook. Brooks has requested that the law school funding of this publication be diverted back to Marshall-Wythe, citing lack of coverage and interest in a campus-wide yearbook. If approved, the change could occur next year, providing resources for a separate yearbook for the law school community. Apparently, composites just are not enough for Brooks.
Virginia Power recently reported that the chance of a catastrophic accident at the Surry nuclear power plant, a mere ten miles from Marshall-Wythe, is 1 in 1,000 each year the plant operates.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is investigating the report, which indicates that the rupture of a single water pipe at the Surry site could cause a reactor core meltdown and radiation leak.

Both Virginia Power and the NRC are playing down the report, saying the chance of a catastrophic accident is probably considerably less than 1 in 1,000 and that the public should not be alarmed. The NRC plans to study the problem over several weeks but has no plans to close Surry.

The potential problem has existed since the 1,650-megawatt facility was licensed in 1972, but remained undiscovered throughout the construction and licensing procedures and was uncovered during an internal Virginia Power inspection. The NRC sent an inspection team to Surry in mid-October, a week after the industry newsletter Inside NRC disclosed the utility's finding. Although a 1-in-1,000 probability is much greater than what is generally considered acceptable in the nuclear power industry, Edward Butcher, deputy director of the NRC's radiation protection and emergency preparedness division, said "we don't feel there's any imminent concern." Martin Bowling, Virginia Power's manager of nuclear programs, echoed this lack of concern, saying the finding simply detected "basics that were left uncovered.

A Washington watchdog group, the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS), perceives the situation in an entirely different light. Scientists for the group say that if the reported probability of an accident stands up after further study, the government should move quickly to close Surry. "It's an unacceptable situation where a single pipe rupture could cause a meltdown," said Robert Pollard, a former NRC scientist and current member of UCS.

Polland noted that NRC closed the Yankee Rowe plant in Massachusetts recently after determining there was a 1-in-100,000 chance its reactor vessel could crack and leak radiation. NRC officials contend that the two situations are not comparable.

The internal inspection which detected the pipe problem was part of an NRC-ordered program for nuclear plants to detect potential problems not considered when they were originally licensed. The inspections, scheduled to be completed by the end of 1992, also included a computer-based probability analysis to rank the chances of catastrophic events as a result of newly discovered problems.

The Surry inspection disclosed that a potentially catastrophic series of events could occur if there was a break in the gravity-fed pipe that carries cooling water from the James River. A rupture could flood an adjacent building housing electrical equipment, shutting it out, which could disable safety systems. In the worst-case scenario, the cooling system could shut down, and the plant's two nuclear cores could melt over several hours.

"If it were to happen, it's a bad accident," William Becker, chief of the NRC's risk application branch said. "There's not much stopping it. If you get water down into those rooms and flood those rooms, it's not a nice thing.

The cooling water pipe problem is unique to Surry because of its design, NRC officials said. Virginia Power has already replaced expansion joints at the weakest point of the unit pipe and tightened accident response procedures. According to Virginia Power, these corrections, as well as additional inspections and other relatively minor repairs planned for upcoming scheduled shutdowns, have reduced the risk of an accident.

Virginia Power spokesman Bill Byrd said the 1-in-1,000 odds were "extremely preliminary," and represented the combined odds of 28 extremely improbable scenarios. According to Martina Bovington, Virginia Power's manager of nuclear programs, the inspections and repairs would lower the odds to 1 in 10,000 by early 1993. He said Virginia Power hopes to convince the NRC that its analysis is overly conservative and therefore overstates the potential danger. Because there is no precedent for a large cooling system leak melding into a meltdown, Virginia Power spokesmen say the utility had to do a best guess estimate based on smaller leaks. Bovington said.

In October, the NRC assessed fines against Surry totaling $125,000 for two safety violations - one that had to be fixed twice, and another that had existed for 11 years. A $75,000 fine was imposed for a defect in one of the plant's emergency diesel generators that is supposed to

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Gerhardt predicts slow death for Roe

By JUDY CONTI

"Roe v. Wade is pretty much dead. The only question is how it gets buried." This was the theme of Professor Michael Gerhardt's October 29 discussion on Roe v. Wade, sponsored by Law Students for Choice.

More than 60 students attended this forum, which set out to explain and discuss the present and future status of this landmark constitutional decision. The tone of Professor Gerhardt's opening remarks was one of legal and academic impartiality, in order to be able to discuss the issue openly and to have as many points of view heard as possible. Gerhardt stressed from the start that although this decision is not yet fully dismantled, the Supreme Court is definitely heading in that direction. As a result, he said, if you have strong feelings about this issue, now is the time to get involved.

Gerhardt explained that the controversy is reemerging because the Court's interpretation of Roe v. Wade is one of process. The question the Court is not asking is whether a fetus has a fundamental right to life, but rather should the discussion about abortion be held in the state or federal forum. "The Supreme Court will most probably never talk about a fundamental right to life," he said.

Despite admitting that some of his past predictions have been slightly less than on the mark, Gerhardt made a few about the Roe v. Wade decision. The first was that the Court will go about dealing with the case in the most cynical, political way you can imagine." He added that very little action, if any at all, will occur before the 1992 election so as to avoid political backlash which could hurt Republican candidates.

Gerhardt also predicted that the dismantling which will occur will be done in a relatively quiet and slow manner. A lack of aggressive action seemingly will make it more difficult for Democrats to rally around the pro-choice issue. What the Republican Court is trying to accomplish is a subtle change that takes place so slowly that the opponents of the change do not even notice it as it happens.

Kate Atkins (3L) took issue with this position. Her belief is that since it is so obvious that Roe v. Wade is going to be overturned, it is precisely the slow action of the court which has been giving women's groups and pro-choice groups the chance to mobilize and begin building the coalitions they will need when the decision is overturned.

In response, Gerhardt noted that the constituencies were not very precisely defined. He said the pro-choice coalitions are "most likely to be more of a victory state by state." Linda Jackson (IL), president of Law Students for Choice, was extremely pleased with the event. She and the other officers were thrilled with the turnout and the quality of discussion that took place.

Certainly everyone present left with a better understanding not only of the Constitutional decision-making process, but also with a more informed opinion about how the Court and state legislatures will need to go about dealing with Roe v. Wade and the consequences of its fate.
Housing Partnerships provides respite from law school grind

By STEVE SCHOFIELD

Many law students may have forgotten the visceral joy of doing a project simply for the satisfaction of a job well done to benefit others. The job may be simple, but the result is rewarding both to the doer and the recipient.

There is a group of law students who have not forgotten this basic principle of life and participate in an organization called Housing Partnerships. Housing Partnerships is a statewide organization with a local office here in Williamsburg, directed by Jack Mahans. The organization repairs the homes of needy people in the Williamsburg area. The group does work such as painting, roofing, building walls or porches, and general preventive maintenance on the frames of the houses.

Some of the houses do not have electricity or adequate plumbing.

The law students, led by Audra Miller (2L) and Cheryl Bullard (2L), meet every Saturday morning and travel to the selected houses to work for several hours. Houses to be worked on have been recommended by local social service organizations, churches, and people in the area. Volunteers range from the inexperienced carpenter to those with more refined skills. All that is really required is enthusiasm and the willingness to commit some time to the project. The time commitment is whatever one chooses to put into it.

According to Miller, “Now more than ever, there is a need for Housing Partnerships, due to the recession and overall homeless problem. Although we don’t build houses, we try and make sure that at the very least the minimum comforts are provided.” Bullard adds, “It may not seem like we’re making a difference when we just repair a porch or a roof when the whole house is in disrepair, but any improvement increases the quality of life for the people we help...”

Working for the group gives each law student a unique opportunity to achieve two things: one being immersed in his or her studies. First, the work trips present a “hands-on” situation in which students can complete a job and be able to see the immediate benefits of their completed work. There is much to be said for the feeling of satisfaction in knowing that you personally have helped improve someone’s home.

Heightened involvement improves image

Resurrected Mary & William refrains from choosing sides

By LEEANNE MORRIS

Kate Atkins (3L) and Judi Conti (IL) are resurrecting Mary & William as a strong, active group open to anyone who cares about gender issues in the legal profession.

The co-chairpersons said that while going through the organization’s files, which had been neglected for about five years, they discovered that Mary & William had been very active, holding annual conferences that drew speakers from local offices such as Harvard and Cornell.

“We have a prestigious history to live up to and we want to do that,” said Conti. But according to Atkins, the group has been suffering from an image problem during the last five years. She said a lot of people have been turned off by its political activist approach on issues such as abortion.

Conti explained that “Only people that strongly identified themselves with the feminist movement felt welcome.”

This year’s group is dedicated more to examining the professional issues facing women in the legal workplace than to taking narrow political stances. Atkins explained that a group of members might get together to work on a particular political issue, but the group as a whole is shying away from taking sides.

“There’s room for all political agendas...” Conti said. “It’s not a consensus group.”

In light of their new professionalism approach, the group is planning a series of workshops to begin in January on gender discrimination in the workplace. The first workshop will look at how to handle sexual harassment as a summer associate without jeopardizing a possible job opportunity. Atkins said that Associate Demi Robert Kaplan, who has given a workshop in the past on interview tips for women, will be one William and Mary student who was essentially told that the job was hers if she would agree to sleep without jeopardizing a possible job. Many law students may have forgotten that William had once been very active, holding annual conferences that firms find for student who was essentially told that William as a student who was essentially told that William as a narrow political stance. Atkins is dedicated more to accepting members might get involved with professional organizations as well. Member Kathy Phlipot (IL) is organizing an effort to help the Virginia Women Attorneys Association with its research needs.

The group is also pushing the administration to get courses offered that are listed in the bulletin but may not be available for more than three years. Conti said they are lobbying for courses other than just those dealing with women’s issues. One thing Mary & William has done in the past and is continuing is its volunteer effort with Avalon Battered Women’s Shelter. Students interested in offering legal and other assistance should contact Janie Kong (IL) who is coordinating the effort.

Atkins will be coordinating the law school activities surrounding Women’s History Month in March. Last year’s events included a film series and a speaker series, and Atkins promises this year’s celebration will bigger and better.

Conti said the new Mary & William wants to be whatever its members want it to be and is looking for new avenues in which to direct its energy. She said the group would like to combine its forces with other student organizations such as Students of Ethnic, Racial and Cultural Harmony (SECRH) and the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) to further mutual goals the groups might have. The group is also considering co-sponsoring a speaker for the Institute of Rights Law, and it is seeking active faculty and administrative involvement.

“We’ve got a really positive, energetic outlook,” Conti said. “Enthusiasm and positive input are the key ingredients.”

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dents should not expect to see the bulldozers move over from the new graduate housing to start digging up the turf immediately surrounding our current building.

The committee "hopes to have the basic dimensions of a project put together by June, presupposing that all interested people in the law school community supply necessary information in a timely manner," said Lederer.

After a proper proposal is developed it will have to be approved by the central administration and the Board of Visitors to get onto the university's building program. Routinely, funding would then come from the state with contributions coming from private parties for certain portions of the project.

The committee encourages suggestions from all members of the community. To prevent slippage, the committee requests that all suggestions be made in writing. The committee is comprised of Professors Barnard, Donaldson, Heller, and Lederer as well as SBA representative.

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to supply backup power to the facility. A $50,000 fine was levied for an electrical problem in safety pumps that help shut down the plant in case of a problem.

According to the NRC's Kenneth Clark, although the violations have not yet resulted in a radiation leak or other emergency, "you had, in both cases, a degraded ability to respond to emergency conditions and you were not aware of it, which was not acceptable." The Surry plant was on the NRC's "watch list" of troubled nuclear plants from June 1989 until June 1990.

Clark also said the NRC does not believe the recent fines indicate a new, chronic problem. Although the October fines are, at this point, proposed penalties. Virginia Power spokesman Carl Baab said the utility would not contest them, adding that the utility "does not take issue with the NRC's findings."

The fine for the emergency diesel generator violation was $25,000 higher than usual because the problem was discovered by an NRC inspector, not by the utility. Virginia Power was notified twice before the problem was repaired properly.

The second violation stemmed from an electrical problem that could have disabled safety injection pumps that are part of Surry's emergency shutdown system. Baab said utility officials have known since 1980 that the pumps would have to be operated manually during an electrical outage, but believed that was acceptable.

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Grade parity the proper remedy for fundamental unfairness

Christian Connell

The issue of grade parity in first year classes is not a question of professional freedom but rather one of fundamental fairness. As stated in the last issue of the Amicus Curiae, Marshall-Wythe adopted a policy in the spring of 1991 requiring "[the] distribution of grades in all sections of the same first year courses should be essentially uniform." Such a policy was long overdue.

When I was a first year, those of us who by happenstance were students in Professor Selsele's Contracts section, were the unwitting beneficiaries of the lack of such a policy. Each of my classmates who eyeballed the first semester grades of our competitors in Selsele's and Dean Sullivan's sections readily discovered that the grades in Dean Sullivan's section were on average substantially lower than those in Selsele's section. Granted, the students in Selsele's section could possibly have been more intelligent than those in Sullivan's section. Another plausible explanation, however, was that the students were of roughly equivalent intelligence and possessed an equivalent understanding of the material, but the professors simply differed in their opinion of their students understanding of the material.

Some may argue that this issue of student grades should fall entirely within the discretion of the professor, that a professor's ability to grade his/her students or his/her students' performance on an exam is a matter of professional freedom. Understandably, the professor can select the textbook of his/her choice, control the discussion in his/her class, and decide, within limits, what knowledge of the law a student must possess to receive a certain grade. All of these decisions fall within a law professor's area of expertise because they involve legal considerations and the textbook will best help my students learn the law, what class discussions will add to my students' understanding of the law, what standards must my students meet to demonstrate that they understand the law.

However, the normalization of grades across sections of the same class is not a question of academic freedom for it is not a fundamentally legal question. Rather, the question is really one of probabilities and best answered by a statistician: what are the chances that two sections of students — one numbering 70 and the other numbering 110 — who are randomly selected from a class of students with comparable intellectual abilities, would manifest substantially different scores when given a test on the same subject matter?

This question is not unique to the law school and appears repeatedly in other academic environments. In an attempt to shed some light on the issue, I contacted a statistics professor at Old Dominion University and asked him to speculate on the probability that two classes of approximately 70 and 110 students, chosen randomly from all the students who matriculate at the law school, would manifest on average lower intellectual abilities. He answered that a prerequisite to answering the question accurately would be an assurance that students for each section are selected entirely at random. Randomness, as he defined it, was literally assigning a number to each student and drawing the numbers out of a hat. Since I could not ensure that the selection process was conducted entirely at random, he could only provide me with a conditional answer. He responded that assuming the students were chosen for each section entirely at random, then the intellectual abilities of the students in the two classes would normally be the same. Unfortunately, he was unable to give me any fixed percentages or probabilities. In any event, the school could commission an actual statistician to find the answer to this question.

Essentially, the problem with the old system was one of fundamental fairness. The system left, we have all feeling that an arbitrary assignment to one section or another would affect their class rank and thus their job prospects. If any institution should be sensitive to such criticism, it is a law school where issues of "fundamental fairness" and "due process" are actually discussed in class as part of the curriculum. However, until April of 1991, this school had declined to remedy this problem. Moreover, even if it were shown that sections chosen at random routinely differ in their intellectual ability, I would suggest that this be communicated annually to each new class of first year students. The goal, after all, is not just fairness but the appearance of fairness.

Grade curves not representative of student performance

Jarrell Wright

The story goes like this: Law school professors determine grades by hurling bluebooks down flights of stairs, and your grade in the class depends only upon where your bluebooks land on the stairs. The cynicism in this frequently-cited story reflects a general dissatisfaction with the unpredictability and apparent irrationality of the grading system. Because of this dissatisfaction, some students and faculty have argued that a strict grading curve be imposed. However, this suggestion will not remedy anything that may be wrong with the current system. A mandatory grade curve would serve no useful purpose and, in fact, would be detrimental to the students, the faculty, and to the school as a whole. In short, all that a mandatory curve would do is force the professor to make sure that as many bluebooks land on the top stair as on the bottom stair.

First, let me state that my argument has nothing to do with the issue of whether two professors teaching different sections of the same class should consult each other before assigning grades. Of course they should. One student's exam paper for Professor Marbury and another student's paper for Professor Plessy, if comparable, should receive comparable grades for Constitutional Law. However, this is completely different from stating that Marbury and Plessy should be forced to impose a strict curve upon the grades of all students in their classes.

The fundamental yet unspoken assumption of those who support a mandatory curve is that law school grades can be mapped out on a purely objective and mathematic basis. This assumption is inherently flawed because law school examinations are poorly suited for strict curves. Grade curves are generated by compiling statistical norms into an assessment of average performance. Although it is possible to think in terms of statistical norms on objective tests like the SAT or the LSAT, the concept does not translate quite as well when applied to subjective examinations.

One's performance on a law school exam is contingent upon a wide range of factors — your substantive awareness being only one of them. The reasoning you used to support your answer, the writing style in which you presented it, and even the quality of penmanship you displayed also have a strong influence over your final grade. There is no way these highly subjective factors can be quantified in a way that is either accurate or meaningful. Thus, imposing a strict curve on law school grading would not present a realistic index of students' relative performance. The idea that it could is specious at best and preposterous at worst.

Along the same lines, a mandatory grade curve would eliminate the flexibility professors now have in grading exams without increasing the fairness of their results. If there have to be as many C's as there are A's, for example, the professor has to make a tough choice. Either give more students C's for work that the professor believes more appropriately deserves a B, or give fewer students A's. So, there is no real fairness but the appearance of fairness.

In a subjective setting, the professor has to be given a great deal of latitude in assessing student performance. When that latitude is restricted, professors are backed into a corner and forced to make decisions they do not believe are proper, based on a mathematical model that should not even be applied in such a context.

Of course, this hurts the students as well. Because the system we currently have generally tends to award more high grades than low ones, students in both the top and bottom of the class would lose — a mandatory grade curve would shift all grades. And fewer students would disproportionately harm those in the lower end of the class by misrepresenting their grades to ever more demanding employers. Although the class ranks may remain relatively stable, the grades used to calculate them go down.

As a result, students at William and Mary would not compare as favorably to students at other law schools, especially those law schools which have the good sense to take a more pragmatic and rational approach to grade curves. Given the current condition of the economy and the hiring market, this consideration has to be critical. When William and Mary students do not look as good to potential employers, fewer students find work, and fewer employers bother coming on campus to interview — that hurts everybody, regardless of grades. And it also hurts the law school itself. Lower grades, fewer employers, and fewer offers not only mean lower prestige for the school, but also smaller contributions from future alumni.

Every single one of us has wished for more predictability in grades we receive after exams. We have all complained that our final grade does not always seem to reflect our interest in the class or our preparation for the exam. And we have all dutifully grumbled our own personal version of the staircase myth. But whether grade inflation is too subjective or too objective is immaterial.

The law is more art than science, and our ability to practice law cannot be quantified precisely and plotted out on a scale. We are here to learn how to be lawyers, not paralegals. No bright lines and mechanical distinctions await us in the real world — law school is the wrong place to impose such artifacts.
We are in law school not preschool

Sandra Rizzo

We are in law school not preschool. This sounds like a rational, incontrovertible statement on its face. However, some of the administrators of Marshall-Wythe have, by their actions, begged to differ with the statement.

They have done so by depriving us of information that we deserve to have, by deciding by administrative fiat that we preschoo1ers are not smart enough to make an informed decision when presented with all the facts, so they will keep some of them from us. Somehow we have picked up some law in preschool, (with sincerest thanks to those wonderful people who soon feed us each day), we know that in law, as in life, the more facts we can ascertain, the better informed judgments we can make. This sounds like another rational, incontrovertible statement on its face. Ironically, some of the administrators of Marshall-Wythe disagree with this statement also.

They have manifested their disagreement with both of my presumptively indisputable statements by forcing us to select our classes without the benefit of important information which is withheld from us — the date of the scheduled final exam.

Surprisingly, they are inconsistent as well. (This occurrence is not a departure from the practice of the legal profession as you know from reading court decisions.)

I came to law school with high motivations. I would submit that even if we made unwise choices, that should be our prerogative because we are, after all, in law school. Some of us will be making important decisions for clients in a few months or a few years. We are being trained now to make those decisions in the most informed way possible. During that training, we have been told to ascertain as many facts as we can. It is anomalous that those administrators that training do not follow one of its basic tenets. I would urge reconsideration of the current policy of withholding pertinent information based on my faith both in what the professors at Marshall-Wythe have taught us, and in the students at Marshall-Wythe themselves.

The futile job search takes its toll on all

Richard Hricik

It is the subject no one likes to talk about. Yet it is on the minds of every one of us. The lousy economy and the lack of jobs.

The anxiety among my friends and classmates is overwhelming. Everyone puts on their best face and smiles and says everything is OK. We make jokes and build icons out of our rejection letters. We make light of the seriousness and doubt. The pressure of finding a job, which will come greater with every interview.

Despite these efforts the pressure takes its toll. The frustration of the job search translates into irritable dispositions and lack of motivation. Being prepared for tomorrow's class seems even more like an exercise in futility than usual.

The anxiety is insidious. We come back after finishing our first year. We are proud of our achievements and excited about our futures. The pride gives way and is slowly replaced with fear and doubt. The pressure of finding a summer job, which will more than likely determine our job upon graduation, quickly builds. Right now determines where we will or won't be after graduation.

The pressure affects even those among us who have found summer employment. They are happy, but fear sharing their success at the risk of alienating friends who are still looking for work. Everyone's relationships are strained.

I came to law school with high expectations. I left a successful career where I was on the fast-track for promotion. I left to pursue higher goals, both personal and altruistic. A $5,000 loan bill awaits my graduation, as I have borrowed every penny for my education. I also have the pressure of providing for a sick parent, who currently works out of necessity. Watching her work herself to death is killing me.

These type of pressures exist for all of us and they are all different. For some it is providing for a wife and children. For others it is answering well meaning friends and parents who want to know if you have received a job offer. Still others must answer to another's expectations of their own performance. The messages we receive of concern become twisted into personal condemnations. "I know you'll find a job" and "You'll be OK" are comforted in our minds and come out as, "What is wrong with you?" and "Why can't you find a job?"

These anxieties and doubts are a part of every resume dropped in OCPP and in every cover letter written. As the job season winds down, these pressures become greater with every interview.

I rise above every rejection and lost opportunity. I focus on my accomplishments, a successful undergraduate degree, a work experience and the law school performance. But every rejection takes a little out of me, and the fire that was my pride of 2 months ago has at times turned to embers.

I ask each one of us to acknowledge that these pressures exist in everyone's lives, in our own ways. We need to recognize and be aware that these pressures are real and are felt by all.

I do not regret my decision to go to law school. Marshall-Wythe has taught me much. My greatest learning however, has come outside the classroom, as law school has forced me to define my own standards of success. I am successful because I believe in what I am doing. It is not the end result that is of paramount importance. To define self-worth in terms of GPA, class rank, or summer job is to give away my identity. I categorically refuse to do so. My own vanity demands nothing less.

To paraphrase Rudyard Kipling:

"To risk everything you own on one game of pitch and toss and lose; and with broken tools rebuild all that you lost ten times over and never mention a word of your loss. If you can do all of this...the world will be yours."

Another view

by John Lohmann

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Life after law school

Ziemer trades fellowship for job in entertainment law

BY DAVID ZIEMER

MIDWESTERN CORRESPONDENT

I have good news and bad news from the land of life after law school. The good news is that I resigned the fellowship at the Green Acre School of Law. The bad news is that I’m singing in a Hank Williams, Jr. cover band. Here’s how it happened.

One day after work, some of the other fellowship recipients and I decided to go to the Pioneer Inn, a hick bar in an unincorporated hickburg, and get drunk as pigs, which we did. So I got drunk and anti-hustled pool for a while.

Anti-hustling pool is a great way to make money when no one, and I mean NO ONE, will go away. My roommate for the past year and a half, Travis, is a friend of yours as a dummy, sink a few nice shots, pretend you think you’re the best player in the world (or at least the bar), and pretty soon a hunk comes up to play you for money. He’ll throw the first game. As soon as you realize you can’t win, you just take the drink and make it. It’s a pathetic life, sure, but it is my life all the same. And it sure beats actually learning how to play and spending others.

So anyway, I went back to the bar, but there wasn’t much going on. Yentsch had gone from being passed out on the bar to being passed out on the floor, oblivious to the people stepping over him, and Gonzales was explaining to Wroeblowski the difference between grass and turf. So I just sat there, listening to the jukebox and wondering what the hell had happened to my life. Before I knew it, I was singing along with the song:

"Hank why do you drink? Hank why do you smoke? Why must you live our lives, the way you wrote?"

Now, when I graduated, I swore I’d shave and get a haircut as soon as I got even one single exam over with. As it happened, I was looking pretty shaggy — not as bad as Professor Hardy, of course, but still pretty shaggy.

This one odd bit in the bar that happened was actually Hank Williams, Jr. and asked me for my autograph. So I wrote on this beer-soaked napkin, "To Elmer Schwulf, my only rowdy friend left, Hank Williams, Jr."

The next day, it was like miraculous fate had struck. I was going through my daily, futile ritual of looking through the wants ads, when there it was! An ad for an attorney, Hank Williams, Jr. impersonator. I called them up, drank a can of beer, auditioned and got the job.

Now I’m touring little hick bars all over the Midwest, singing about idiocy and dissipation, and people love it! The only drawback is when I go back home to family gatherings. Not only do I have to listen to the same stupid lawyer jokes I’m sure you all know, but now I have to listen to these as well:

Q: What do hemorrhoids and cowboy hats have in common?

A: Every asshole gets one sooner or later.

Q: What happens when you listen to country music backwards?

A: You get your wife back, your job back, etc.

Other than that, it’s a pretty good life. I get quite a few law clients as well. Mostly DWI’s, but that’s okay. At least I can empathize with my clients. The singing career is going great. There are 87 Drop Inn’s in Wisconsin, and the “Cheating Hearts” (that’s my band) has already played 41 of them since I joined up. Things could certainly be worse. I met this one clown who has to sing during male chagall covers — I’d rather die, honest to God. I really would.

The really big money in country music covers is doing that Randy Travis guy’s songs, but if I wanted to be vicious, I’d have to shave and get a haircut. Plus, I’d have to sing about loving some dumb country trolley that’s cheating on me (yeah, right!) with all the other women.

So I go on. Life after Law School isn’t that bad really, so long as your stomach’s bigger than your pride. "A counten­ance may survive," even in the no­holds-barred jungle of entertainment law (my new specialty), where I try to eke out a pathetic existence.

Ask Miss Demeanor

By MISS DEMEANOR

Hello again Happy Students! With Halloween and Fall From Grace behind us, and the Thanksgiving Holiday just ahead, I trust you are all enjoying the crisp November air, the last few days of the brilliant Virginia foliage, and the pleasant respite from the throns of Winnebagoes until the Grand Illumination once again finds our peaceful ‘burg teeming with tourists. I hope as well that you have all taken a brief moment from your studies and job searched to reflect on the triumphs and sacrifices of those we honor with today’s holiday, Veteran’s Day.

Looking for an Angle

Dear Miss Demeanor,

I’m first year student. We haven’t had any exams yet, so I don’t know where I stand in the class rank, but I think I should try to get a jump on the job hunt. OCPEP explained to us that we’re not allowed to contact employers unless we’re a law student. OCPEP explained to us that we’re not allowed to contact employers unless we’re a law student until December, but I was wondering. If I just went ahead and did myself, without going through the OCPEP office, would that be okay?

I know this isn’t really an etiquette question, but you can see why I wouldn’t want to ask anyone in the administration. I don’t want to break any rules, but isn’t it possible to bend them some to give myself every possible advantage over my classmates?

signed, “Just Looking for an Angle”

Dear “Future Personal Injury Lawyer,”

I am not in a position to answer questions concerning official school rules or policies. I write an advice column on etiquette matters.

I will say, however, that most rules, like good manners, are designed to protect you as much as those around you. While the imposition of a mandatory non­communication period does work to prevent any one student from asserting an advantage over the others, its primary purpose is to prevent you from taking an inordinate amount of time from your actual studies to pursue what you will find is an all­-consuming, inordinately expensive, frustrating, demoralizing and ultimately fruitless job search.

While Dean Kaplan may issue a gentle warning that only 5-10% of first year students actually find law-related summerwork, what he really means is that no one gets law-related work except those seven or eight who, before coming to law school, worked for Congressmen or Kings. In fact, to hear the Happy Students in the third year class tell it, the 5­10% figure does not refer to your chances of getting work your first summer, but rather to the number of members of your class who will find legal employment after graduation.

So cheer up, and put those silly little employment thoughts out of your head. Try to think about something more pleasant, like your upcoming Property exam.

Dear Miss Demeanor,

Whatever happened to law school social life? This school has changed so much since I first came here. Back then, there were lots of parties and chances to meet people, the Grad Thing was packed every Friday night, and everyone would help each other out with notes and outlines. Now it seems that there are just 600 separate and anonymous competitors at this school and no one has time for anything or anyone aside from themselves and their careers.

How did Marshall-Wythe transform so quickly from a small, supportive and concerned school to a large, cutthroat institution?

signed, “Missing the Old Days”

Dear “Unemployed 3L,”

I too have seen this sad transformation. Where once Happy Students would gladly give away outlines and help each other find cites, now many hide reporters and purloin study aids. Many simply blame the economy and the need to be more aggressive to survive in the employment market, but I fear the transformation includes a larger percentage of those who believe that if they are vicious and power mongers in school, they will be able to get great jobs and then relax and do nice things.

Unfortunately, these people fail to realize that the job of staying on top never leaves, and they will never be happy unless they are advancing at the expense of others. I can only hope that the planned expansion of the law school will not add to the anonymity and callousness with which more and more of the entering classes are perceived.

Of course, it could also be that despite how sweet she seems, Faye Sheely is really a spy for UVA and is trying to enroll enough Power Tool study geeks to make Marshall-Wythe look as bad as that school.

Confidential to “Purple and Proud”

Although I agree that Fee Simple would be a darling name for a little boy, I would suggest that you not break from tradition and stick with Person V. Post III.

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Questions for Miss Demeanor should be placed in the Amicus Curiae hanging file. The editors will make certain that she gets them. Letters can be anonymous, and will remain that way unless Miss Demeanor figures out who you are.
Say it ain't so!

Dylan exposed; bought “Wind” from Trotter Hardy’s friend

By RICHARD A. HRICK

It was a dark and stormy night. The voice on the phone was shaken and disturbed. This flower child of the ‘60s had a secret she had to tell. Her soul tormented, she could no longer keep quiet. Her voice was so husky it could pull a sled.

As she started to spill her guts I began to realize the magnitude of her tale. The pictures that raced through my mind were indescribable. I envisioned hundreds of thousands of former hippies calling for me to be burned at the stake for speaking such heresy. “Bob Dylan did not write ‘Blowin’ in the Wind,’” she whispered.

As any good investigative reporter would, I told her “I’ll look into it.” I hung up the receiver and lit another smoke to think about what she said. The preeminent songwriter of the 60’s was a fake. A phony. A renegade.

After much thought and consideration, I decided she was just another whacked-out druggie in need of a fix. “This is what I’ve been reduced to,” I thought to myself.

It wasn’t that long ago . . . I was a prominent judge ready for a Supreme Court nomination. Then the fateful day when the world found out I skipped a large-section life crumbled, and the Court, well, let’s just say it went stories. A quick dues once more.

Legal Skills meeting as a IL. My colleagues turned, my ready for a Supreme Court nomination. Then the fateful up in smoke. So now I’m back at M-W forced to pay my to myself.

More clip ‘n’ save Marshall-Wythe trading cards

Collect them all! This week: power tools of Marshall-Wythe!
M-W Hosts Job Fair for '91 Grads

Marshall-Wythe took a break last Friday to host a job fair for recent graduates of Virginia law schools and employers from both the public and private sector seeking attorneys to fill current vacancies in their offices. The fair was sponsored by the six Virginia law schools and the Virginia State Bar Young Lawyers Conference.

According to Linda Spaulding, job seekers attending the fair were required to meet three criteria: graduation from a Virginia law school in 1991, passage of the Virginia bar examination, and unemployed status. Spaulding said that all employers attending the fair were required to have immediate openings for attorneys in their offices.

As winner of the pool, Nugent will receive an Amicus Curiae T-Shirt. Amicus Editor Kenan Click, as part of her ceaseless effort to recruit new members for the newspaper, said Matthew Hamilton will also receive an Amicus shirt.

Sadler Seeks Info to Correct Directory

Vice President for Student Affairs Sam Sadler is now seeking updated information for a supplement to the Campus Directories distributed last month. The Directories were sent to the printer before first year law students had a chance to provide the College with their local addresses.

Students who wish to have the correct information included in the supplement should submit it to room 203 in James Blair Hall by Monday, November 18. Copies of both the Campus Directory and the Law School directory are available in the administration offices.

Celebrity Lawyer Grutman Speaks on Ethics

Celebrity lawyer Roy Grutman will deliver a lecture tonight at 7:00 on the topic “Law and Ethics?” in Washington Hall, room 200. Grutman represented Jerry Falwell in his highly publicized suit against Hustler magazine publisher Larry Flynt.

In addition to Falwell, Grutman has represented such media personalities as author Jackie Collins, and Operation Rescue leader Randall Terry. The lecture is sponsored by the Off Campus Students Council.

RFK, Jr. to Speak on the Environment

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., will deliver a lecture on “Our Environmental Destiny” at Trinkle Hall in November 20 at 8:00 p.m. The speech will address the challenges that lie ahead for society in dealing with problems such as river pollution, global warming and the greenhouse effect.

Kennedy, professor and supervising attorney of the Environmental Litigation Clinic at Pace University School of Law, has successfully prosecuted governments and companies responsible for polluting waterways in New York state, and won victories for citizens seeking expanded access to shorelines.

The lecture is part of the William and Mary Speakers Series. Admission at the door is $4.00 for W&M I.D. holders and $8.00 for the general public.
Double vision video reviews

**Gallipoli** provides a poignant tale of WWI friendship; **Pacific Heights** a tale of Landlord-Tenant Act perils

**By MICHAEL REYNOLDS & STEVE SCHOFIELD**

**Gallipoli** - (1981; starring Mel Gibson; directed by Peter Weir)

This film is the story of two friends who trek through the Outback of Australia on their way to fight in World War I. They begin their friendship with a footrace at a county fair and end up together fighting the Turks in the Dardanelles. Frank, played by Gibson, is reluctant to join the Army but eventually succumbs to the pressure he gets from friends and strangers alike. Although at first blush this may seem to be a war movie, or anti-war movie, it is really about the bond that grows between the two young men as they are drawn toward a distant conflict and unavoidable fate.

Director Peter Weir has an eye for sweeping scenery and there is plenty of it in this film, from Western Australia to Egypt to Central Asia. There is also a very authentic feel to many of the scenes and characters. The film is well paced, never seeming too hurried, and the audience acquires a genuine affection for the main characters, although they could have been more fully developed.

Another one of the central themes of the movie is how the hundreds of Australian troops landed in the beach. Anger at the Brits has been a great impetus in sparking the creation of many good Australian and Irish films, and in this case that anger is well-placed. The slaughter at Gallipoli almost ended the budding career of Winston Churchill, and is believed by many historians to have hastened Churchill throughout World War II.

We recommend this video for virtually everyone, especially fans of the obligatory naked butt scene in every Gibson flick.

**Pacific Heights** - (1990; starring Michael Keaton, Melanie Griffith, and Matthew Modine; directed by John Schlesinger)

A happy young couple buy their dream house in San Francisco, live in the upper stories portion of the house, then rent the downstairs portion to Keaton, and slowly watch their lives devolve into a living hell. Keaton, looking like Batman on acid, plays a most convincing psycho tenant who has the law on his side. Matthew Modine plays the fed-up landlord who vainly tries to evict Keaton. Tensions rise in the household to a boiling point and then explode.

For one hour this movie did an excellent job building up our curiosity; the suspense was well crafted. Just what was Keaton doing in his room with the door locked? Why is Modine so stupid? Why ask why? In all fairness, Modine does an infuriatingly good job in playing a too-too-bright young homeowner; nevertheless, only so much tension can be built upon the stupidity of the central character.

Sometimes the characters are simply too frustrating. Steve even started actively pulling for Keaton near the end of the movie. Overall, the movie was well produced and acted but it has too much of a formula ending. We give it a general recommendation because it was enjoyable to watch, even if it’s not great cinema.

Dancing about architecture

Sources revealed: MTV’s compilation is a “stellar effort”;
Lloyd Cole turns a corner on *Don’t Get Weird On Me, Babe*

**By KEVIN WALSH**

One of the questions that people most often ask me (right behind “How do you maintain your boyish movie-star good looks?” and “What’s that smell?”) is “Where do you hear all that wacky new music?”

There are a number of sources. An obvious one is a good radio station, like WCWM (90.7 FM) and WVGO (106.5 FM); both are hit-and-miss opportunities to hear interesting new music. I also read a lot of music magazines and often, after reading an intriguing review or interview, I’ll take a chance and buy something without ever hearing it.

Also on this list is MTV’s “120 Minutes,” which airs every Sunday night at 11:00. Hosted by obligatory British guy Dave Kendall, “120 Minutes” offers a weird mix of alternative videos from the obscure to the classic.

You’re likely to see a Cure video, followed by a Nitzer Ebb video, followed by an interview with somebody you’ve never heard of. That’s the fun of it.

Now “120 Minutes” has released a two-volume CD compilation called *Never Mind The Mainstream.* As compilation albums go, these are top-notch; released on quality-minded Rhino Records, *Never Mind The Mainstream* boasts excellent sound quality, extensive liner notes and even an essay by ol’ Dave Kendall himself.

**Volume One** includes the Stone Roses’ recent dance hit “Fool’s Gold,” Bob Mould’s driving, optimistic “See A Little Light,” XTC’s poignantly “Dear God,” the Church’s excellent, eerie “Under The Milky Way,” Robyn Hitchcock’s buoyant lost-love analogy “Balloon Man,” and World Party’s superb pop/rock song “Put The Message In The Box.” Also included are songs by Red Hot Chili Peppers, Cocteau Twins, Camper Van Beethoven and others.

**Volume Two** is - amazingly - even better. Kicking off with R.E.M.’s chilling “Orange Crush,” Volume Two plows through the Ramones’ nostalgic punk classic “Do You Remember Rock n’ Roll Radio?”. Morrissey’s stately, plaintive “Everyday Is Like Sunday,” the Jesus and Mary Chain’s unique feedback-pop on “Head On,” Echo and the Bunnymen’s sinister and grandiose “The Killing Moon,” and Hissker Dit’s controlled thrash on “Could It Be The One?” Songs by Violent Femmes, X, Depeche Mode and Public Image Limited, among others, are also included.

Central to Volume Two is Joy Division’s cathartic “Love Will Tear Us Apart,” a song made especially despairing by the fact that the lead singer hung himself soon after recording the vocal. The rest of the band went on to become New Order and their “Perfect Kiss,” an ode to their former lead singer, immediately follows “Love Will Tear Us Apart” on this compilation.

The inclusion of Modern English’s 1990 re-make of their early 80s classic “I’ll Melt With You” is the only glaring mistake made in compiling *Never Mind The Mainstream.* The brush cool of the original is replaced by a slick, stiff recording and the result is as flaccid as it is pathetic.

The only other complaint I can imagine about these compilations is that, if anything, many of these selections are too predictable. A rare track or a live performance here or there would have been welcome.

All in all, “120 Minutes” Never Mind The Mainstream is a stellar effort. Not necessarily a must-own, but for those of you who are interested in progressive music, but don’t have the money to buy a lot of different albums, these compilations offer an instant singles collection. The selections are diverse and almost uniformly excellent and, with 16 songs and more than an hour of music on each disc, it’s relatively economical too.

**Don’t Get Weird On Me, Babe** — Lloyd Cole

Lloyd Cole’s excellently titled second solo album, Lloyd continues his exploration of wordy pop songwriting by expanding it into an orchestral setting.

During most of the Eighties, Cole offered up literate guitar rock, updating Bob Dylan and Lou Reed, with his band, The Commotions. Songs like “Perfect Skin” and “My Bag” quietly established him as one of the low-key geniuses of his time. His underrated self-titled first solo album, released last year, filled with witty, tuneful examinations of love and confusion, was the culmination of that promise.

Now, Cole has turned a new corner. Sort of. On songs like the Byrds album opener “Tell Me Nothing About Your Sister,” he rocking single “Weeping Willow” and the bitternes “The One You Never Had,” Cole continues in familiar territory. The first single of the album “She’s A Girl and I’m A Man” (known by many for it’s repeated line “She’s got to be / The stupidest girl I’ve ever seen”) typifies this side of Lloyd Cole a repeated, catchy guitar riff, instantaneous drumming, ironic lyrics, droll vocals - it’s all here.

On much of the album’s second side, however, Cole adds full orchestration. For the most part, it works, as on the painful, brooding “Butterfly,” the country-ish “There For Her,” and the hypnotic “What He Doesn’t Know” (complete with synthesized chirping crickets for percussion). On “Margo’s Waltz” a meditation on emerging from the mourning period following the end of a relationship, the swelling strings and constantly upbeat music reflects perfectly the song’s message of “finding a new way of living.” On the divorce tale “Half of Everything” however, the orchestration sounds extraneous to the song and added just because it could be added.

Don’t Get Weird On Me, Babe (a line which, by the way, appears on the B-side of the first single and nowhere on the album) is an almost natural extension for Lloyd Cole. If Bruce Springsteen did it, it might be daring and weird, but Lloyd Cole has always passed himself off as something of an urban sophisticate and he sounds right at home among the strings. The fact that I happen to like his guitar songs probably won’t stop him from doing this again on his next album.
Bathgate’s star disappoints; incredible Gun thought-provoking

By R.L. CLAY

Billy Bathgate - R
CAST: Dustin Hoffman, Nicole Kidman, Loren Dean, Bruce Willis, Steven Hill

Billy Bathgate isn’t a bad film. Unfortunately, it isn’t good either. A high-budget gangster film based upon a top flight novel, its downfall is the screenplay and directing which combine to make most of the characters one-dimensional and thus incapable of evoking many feelings one way or the other.

Hoffman portrays the big boss gangster, heading up a stellar cast, but his character epitomizes the earlier criticism: one-dimensional, what a waste!

Kidman shows off her wares quite nicely in this film, both physically and as an actress. The strength of her work is undercut by a lack of any indication as to her character’s motives, most of which are inexplicable.

The biggest flaw with Bathgate is the title character. Loren Dean, a newcomer, plays the role and is horribly miscast. Bathgate is supposed to be a rough, ambitious kid who’s sweet tough. Dean looks as if he belongs in knickers, enrolled at a boarding school. It just doesn’t work.

In spite of the above flaws, this film wasn’t bad. One of the reasons is Steven Hill. He’s one of those actors you’d describe as a journeyman — nobody knows his name but you’re sure you’ve seen him in a few dozen good films. Hill plays a tough but caring guy who uses his considerable intelligence to look after those he’s fond of, Bathgate and the Hoffman character.

Another plus for the film is the work of Willis as right-hand man to Hoffman’s character. Unfortunately, Willis’ role isn’t very prominent.

Round out the aforementioned with some gratuitous violence and a slick, high-budget look and you have a disappoint-

ing, but somewhat entertaining film.

Year of the Gun - R
CAST: Andrew McCarthy, Sharon Stone, Valeria Golino

Year of the Gun is about a young journalist in Rome during the mid-seventies, a politically charged time in that area of the world. McCarthy portrays the journalist, whose attempts to write a novel that mixes fiction with the current activities of a radical, left-wing group land him in trouble.

An interesting aspect to this film is the use of varied styles of directing and cinematography at certain points in the movie that give the viewer more of a sense of being involved in the action, something of a live news coverage, or documentary flavor.

The acting by all parties is credible, with McCarthy’s effort being the best of the bunch. There are some problems with the believability of a few plot twists, but if you can suspend your sense of reality, Year of the Gun is ultimately an entertaining film that may make you think about some of the political issues it raises.

MOVIES AT LARGE

In an attempt to get some use out of the countless hours I’ve spent watching movies of every imaginable type, I’ll also add a list of movies I would recommend that are available at the video store that are worth seeing. This edition’s genre: sports.

American Flyer - A young Kevin Costner in a film about family relationships and dealing with the unfairness of life. The thrills and spills of bicycle racing a la Greg Lemond is the backdrop.

Vision Quest - Matthew Modine and Linda Fiorentino in a coming-of-age movie. Fiorentino and a seemingly unbeatable wrestling opponent set the catalysts to Modine growing up.

Hoosiers - Gene Hackman coaches a small-town high school basketball team in an attempt to beat the big boys. Wonderful characters, touching relationships and great acting performances by everyone.

NEWS FLASH: Worst film of the year (possibly the decade) nomination to Highbander II. Utter trash and laughable are the only ways to describe this sham of a facade of a mockery. I could go on but I think you get the point.

Finally, Williamsburg Theater will be showing Dead Again later this month. It’s well worth the price of admission, offering intriguing plot twists and loads of suspense.

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Book Review

The Garden of Eden: An erotic twist of Hemingway

By KATHRYN O’CONNOR

The Garden of Eden — Ernest Hemingway

The Garden of Eden represents a surprising, compelling and erotic twist on more traditional Hemingway themes. Afficianados of Papa’s works and those less familiar will be challenged by the intense exploration of human relationships and sexuality in this novel. The characters and plot force the reader to go beyond the limits of tradition toward an open acceptance of the experiential, more specifically, the sensual world.

Published nearly 25 years after the author’s death, the final version is a mere 274-page compilation of thousands of unfinished manuscript pages. The editors acknowledge that much has been excluded from the marketed version. What remains is perhaps Hemingway’s most complete analysis of the effect of human relationships on the human psyche.

The novel centers on a young American couple honeymooning on the Côte d’Azur in the 1920s. Catherine Bourne, wife of author David Bourne, begins to question her identity and role as a woman in what seems an ideal marriage. The couple’s cycle of hunger and satisfaction proves pivotal to the development of the plot, as Catherine yearns to satisfy her need for self-exploration and David seeks clarity in his writing. Hemingway introduces these themes with a familiar brevity and economical use of detail that immediately captures the reader in its simplicity.

Despite the apparent “normalcy” of their marriage, David and Catherine’s individual needs (his to write and hers to explore) carry them on a path of destruction. Catherine introduces a third primary character, Marita, who becomes both David and Catherine’s lover. While initially her presence propels Catherine’s search for identity, she later serves as the stable, supportive, unassuming woman David’s solitary writing habits require.

All this may seem to give away the plot. I can assure you The Garden of Eden is chock full of subplots and themes that will surprise and challenge any reader. Hemingway worked on this novel for 15 years until his death in 1961. It represents what many believe to be his best character portrayals and without a doubt his strongest heroine. However, The Garden of Eden should be read primarily for its brilliant exploration of people struggling with what their lives are all about. That’s one theme that bears repeating.
Legal clerking: make an investment in your future

By NATALIE GUTTERMAN

Today, when the job market is flooded with new law school graduates looking for employment, anything you can do to make yourself stand out in a crowd and any contacts you make can be vital to your career. The legal clerking program here at Marshall-Wythe provides an excellent opportunity to make contacts, gain experience, and get credit while you’re at it.

Legal clerking is available to second and third year students, and a maximum of four pass/fail credits can be obtained in this fashion. A student can participate in two clerkships a semester, including the summer (although you will have to pay tuition for these credits). To get credit for participation in the program, a student needs to do forty hours of unpaid work for an employer for whom they have never received any compensation. Once the hours have been put in, the employer fills in an evaluation form, and the student writes up a "reaction" statement about their experience. It is that easy.

There are many benefits to legal clerking. It provides you with a valuable tool for getting a job (a huge concern for many second and third years). If you are not sure what type of law you want to practice, it’s an ideal chance to explore the multitude of options available. You can work in several types of legal positions, then compare and contrast them at your leisure. It is a no-risk way to explore the legal world — if you do not like it you never have to go back, and if you do like it, you have a way of narrowing your job search.

If you have a burning desire to practice a certain type of law, legal clerking provides a method by which you can make sure it is really what you want to spend your life doing before you are locked into a career you hate. In addition, it will give you something cogent to put on your resume that will demonstrate to prospective employers that you are serious about and dedicated to this area of law. The same is true of location — if you really want to settle in a particular geographic location, but have no ties to the area, a clerkship in that location not only demonstrates the sincerity of your desire to live there, it helps you make those important contacts.

There are two ways to obtain a clerkship. If you have made a contact on your own and the employer agrees to participate, you only need to get Professor John Levy’s seal of approval. However, if you don’t have any contacts, Professor Levy has a file of many jobs and locations, and he can help you tailor a program to fit your needs.

So, in these disappointing times of mass mailings, endless interviews, rejection letters and unemployment — keep in mind the many advantages and benefits legal clerking has to offer to assist you in obtaining the job you have been waiting for all your life.

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Open bar, black velvet traditional highlights of SBA soirée
M-W socialites enjoy sauna-like conditions at Fall From Grace

By MUFFY ST. ARMAND

On an unseasonably warm evening for the second of No­
vember, the students of Marshall­Wythe and their escorts entered the Grand Ballroom at the Willi­
am & Mary Campus Center for the SBA’s annual semi­formal, “Fall From Grace.”

A social committee chaired by 2L Tammy Moss created an event that will be remembered by many for months to come. Gossip mongers will have to wait until the spring for an event to rival this one. From the begin­ning of the evening to the end, the ballroom was the place to be in Williamsburg.

The Grand Ballroom was awash with Fall colors and deco­rations. The autumn theme was reflected in the orange and white balloons that served as a ceiling for the dance floor, as well as the artful positioning of pumpkins throughout the room, and the centerpiece of pumpkins, Indian corn, and fall leaves. The sea­sonal affect was marred only by the sauna like conditions which intensified as the evening pro­gressed.

Party-goers were attired in a wide range of evening clothes. As usual, black was the color of choice for the majority of females. Styles ranged from mi­cro-minis to mini­dresses to ankle length gowns. As at most fall events velvet was a favorite fab­ric. One ensemble was the talk of the evening — and the next week — a stunning black and gold number worn with coordi­nating shoes by 2L Susan Korzick. Also noted with ap­proval was the lovely gown worn by 1L Patty Storey, who was be­decked in a pink and white combination of fabric that was ever so touchable and tempting.

Most men in attendance were attired in what appeared to be their interview suits. As one third year commented, “They’re used to being in those suits anyway, so they thought they might come in handy later in the evening.” Several gentlemen took the opportunity to sport a more daring tie than usual. 2L Lawrence F’Amos was espe­cially courageous in a colored shirt and a bold tie. The country club look also proved popular among the gentlemen, with the camel hair sport coat worn by 2L Tobin Roth inspiring envy in many.

The debutante 1L’s were impressive in their uncanny imita­tion of past first year classes at “Fall From Grace.” Many sec­ond-years were overheard asking “Is that what we looked like last year?” The unanimous re­pose was “Yes!”

It was evident that students of all classes had taken to heart SBA president Rich Brooks’ advice with respect to the open bar. Bar manage­res Caroline Berrettini and Missy Callahan reported that by midnight grapefruit juice and rum had proven to be the drink of choice. Several social commit­tee members were inexplicably surprised at the rate at which vodka and gin disappeared. Many in attendance remarked that the bartenders were amaz­ingly generous.

Much to the amazement of this reporter, dancing was the focal point of the evening, after 1L’s Judi Conti and Amy Alli­son got things started with their rendition of the twist. The sounds of CASPER, a big city band imported from Richmond, in­spired many to expand their dancing horizons. Stars on the dance floor included, but defi­nitely were not limited to: 3L’s Jane Sherman, Dave Arnold and Elizabeth Dopp; 2L’s Missy Callahan, Scott Lesmes and Sherry Meakins; and 1L’s Hannah Sims and Mike Rausch. One couple sighted frequently was 3L’s Mike Chu and “a friend” of Stephanie Reyer’s.

The only indecorous displays of the evening were some late night PDA’s seen first at the tables and towards the end of the night on the dance floor. This reporter was surprised to stumble across one couple in the storage closet behind the bar, but man­aged to exit the scene undetected. The band played several slower tunes that provided close time for those not interested in engag­ing in such public displays. 1L’s are advised not to fret too much; next fall someone else will be the center of gossip.

SBA president Brooks re­ported that money was made, the security guards did not have to shoot anyone and he was not forced to make entries in any stu­dent’s “permanent record”. One cannot help but wonder if things would have gone as smoothly without the presence of three William & Mary security guards. All in all, it was a stunningly successful evening.

Late night destinations in­cluded the Green Leaf for last call, where rumor has it some Marshall­Wythe staff members were sighted. Fine eating estab­lishments such as Frank’s Truck Stop provided a 2 am breakfast for many and some students were lucky to receive invitations to private parties where they en­joyed home cooked meals and an early rehashing of the night’s events.

Many thanks to all who served as designated drivers, as well as those who made their way on foot to post “Fall From Grace” festivities, and to those who real­ized the wisdom of calling a taxi.
Flashy Students Frolic at Fall From Grace

Photos by Greg Brummert

Casper (NOT a law school band) kept the crowd on its feet as hapless boogiers sloshed their cocktails onto the dance floor.

In a desperate attempt to find a girlfriend, Andrew Herzig gave several women balloons. Suzanne FitzGerald was unimpressed.

Dave Arnold ponders the brilliant smiles of his spouse Jane Taylor and friends, Michelle Joseph, Stephanie Rever and Michael Chu.

Recently married John Edwards caught in a public display of affection with his stunning wife Sheila. Classmates were amazed.

In a scene reminiscent of undergrad frat parties, a gang of first-years heckled the bartender for stronger drinks. For some party-goers, half and half mixes were simply too weak.
### Events Calendar

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11**
- **ATTENTION SECOND YEARS:** Remember the early decision applications for PSF. Pick up applications at OCPP NOW!
- **OFF CAMPUS STUDENTS COUNCIL:** Applications for PDP OPEN Ethics. 7pm, Washington 200.
- **PDP OPEN OUTLINE FILE:** 12:30 - 5pm in the PDP office, Room 236.
- **INSTITUTE OF BILL OF RIGHTS LAW, STUDENT DIVISION:** Symposium Committee meeting. 5 pm, Room 120.
- **SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ALUMNI LECTURE:** PBK, dodge Room, 7:30 pm.
- **FILM:** "The Man Who Knew Too Much," Charles Center, Tucker basement, 8 pm. Free and open to public.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12**
- **SERCH BAKE SALE:** 11am - 1:30pm in the lobby. Buy delicious homemade goods and support SERCH.
- **STUDENT FOR ABORTION RIGHTS:** will speak at 4 pm, Room 124. "For more information contact Rebecca Mordini (229-0274)."
- **WOMEN'S STUDIES FILM:** "Wings of Desire," Charles Center lounge, Tucker Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**
- **MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING VS. UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND:** Rec Center, 4 p.m.
- **SERCH PANEL ON AIDS AND HIV INFECTION:** 5 pm, Room 124. Panel consists of people who are HIV+.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14**
- **TOWN & GOWN LUNCHEON:** "Mexican Women Who Work As Crabpickers On The Eastern Shore," Leach Pellet, CC ballroom, 12:15 pm.
- **PUBLIC POLICY COLLOQUIUM:** "Producing and Using Public Policy Education," a panel discussion involving members of the Board of Advisors of the Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy, Morton 342, 3:30 p.m.
- **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** Bible study of First Peter, including music and refreshments. 6:15-7:30 pm.
- **MEN'S BASKETBALL:** Verich Reps, W&M Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15**
- **VOLLEYBALL:** W&M vs. Memphis State University, Adair Gym, 11 a.m.
- **CHEMISTRY SEMINAR:** "Monolayer Dynamics by Surface Rippion Scattering" by Hyuk Yu, chemistry department, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison; Rogers 100, 3 p.m. (Refreshments at 2:30.)
- **PHYSICS COLLOQUIA:** "Solid State Dynamics and Electronic Properties of Pure and Doped C60" by Robert Tycko, AT&T Bell Laboratories, Small 109, 4 p.m. (Coffee in Small 123, 3:30 p.m.)
- **PSYCHOLOGY COLLOQUIUM:** "Attachment Theory, Gender, and the Longitudinal Analysis of Couple Development: Two Studies of Undergraduate Couples and Desert Storm Families?" by Keith E. Davis, Psychology department, Univ. of South Carolina, Millington 211, 4 p.m. (Refreshments, Millington 232, 3:30 p.m.)
- **REVES HALL COUNCIL COFFEE HOUR:** "International Poetry Reading," Reves 1st floor lounge, 5 p.m.
- **OPENING RECEPTION FOR TWO EXHIBITIONS:** "The Rowdy London of William Hogarth" and "Cape Dorset Annual Graphics Collection," Muscarelle Museum, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the public. For information, call ext. 12703.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**
- **COMPREHENSIVE RECYCLING PROGRAM COLLECTION:** W&M Hall parking lot and Crim Dell amphitheater, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **GIFTED LEARNERS CLASSES** begin, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- **CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES:** Muscarelle Museum, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For further information call ext. 12703.
- **VOLLEYBALL:** W&M vs. UVA Adair Gym, 11 a.m.; W&M vs. Houston, Adair Gym, 7:30 p.m.
- **FOOTBALL VS. U. SAMFORD:** Zable Stadium, 1 p.m. For ticket information call ext. 13344.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**
- **GALLERY TALK:** Judith Varney Burch, director, Arctic Inuit Art Gallery, will talk about Inuit art, Muscarelle Museum, 3 p.m. Free.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18**
- **FILM:** "Eleni," Charles Center, Tucker basement, 8 p.m. Free and open to public.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**
- **LECTURE:** "Environmental Concerns of the Arctic: Art is the Window of a Culture," by Noel J. Brown, regional director of UN Environment Programme, Andrews 101, 7:30 p.m.
- **STUDENT RECITAL:** Ewell Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- **THE GALLERY PLAYERS:** Bruton Parish Church, 8 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**
- **W&M 20TH-CENTURY MUSIC ENSEMBLE:** Ewell Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21**
- **TOWN & GOWN LUNCHEON:** "Attitudes of German Students Towards NATO," Armand GalloCC ballroom, 12:15 p.m.
- **WOMEN'S STUDIES BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES:** "Postcolonial Literature," Chris Borgie, literature, Charles Center lounge, Tucker Hall, 12:30 pm.
- **PUBLIC POLICY COLLOQUIUM:** "Economic Reforms in Eastern Europe," Leonid Hurwicz, department of economics, Univ. of Minn., Morton 342, 3:30 p.m.
- **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** Bible study of First Peter, including music and refreshments. 6:15-7:30 pm.
- **W&M THEATRE:** "A Doll's House" PBK, 8:15 p.m.

**FRIDAY, NOV 22**
- **CHEMISTRY SEMINAR:** "Target Specific Drugs: Directing Chemotherapeutics to Tumors" by Ned Heindel, chemistry department, Lehigh Univ.; Rogers 100, 3 p.m. (Refreshments at 2:30.)
- **PHYSICS COLLOQUIA:** "Wormholes," by Matt Visser, Washington University, St. Louis, Small 109, 4 p.m. (Coffee in Small 123, 3:30 p.m.)
- **MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. VIRGINIA WESLEYAN:** W&M Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- **W&M Theatre:** "A Doll's House" PBK, 8:15 p.m.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**
- **COMPREHENSIVE RECYCLING PROGRAM COLLECTION:** W&M Hall parking lot and Crim Dell amphitheater, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **GIFTED LEARNERS CLASSES** begin, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- **CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES:** Muscarelle Museum, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- **FOOTBALL VS. RICHMOND:** Zable Stadium, 1 p.m. For ticket information call ext. 13344.
- **W&M THEATRE:** "A Doll's House" PBK, 8:15 p.m.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**
- **W&M THEATRE:** "A Doll's House" PBK, 2 p.m.
- **EVELL CONCERT SERIES:** Christine Anderson Williams, pianist, Ewell Recital Hall, 3 p.m.
- **CONCERT:** Gallery Players highlight the music of Mozart, Mussi...
Mychal’s Myriad Myopia

L.A. high school rivalry shows safety should come before football; Butler wins Koch Award over Holyfield

By MYCHAL SCHULZ

A final thought on the 1991 baseball season. I read a column somewhere that said that the 1991 World Series would not really go down in history as one of the best and most exciting series ever. The reason, said this columnist, was that this series didn’t have any “superstars” like Orel Herzschiser, Jose Canseco, Rickey Henderson or Darryl Strawberry. Wrong. I found one of the best things about this series was the fact that it was played, for the most part, by a bunch of players that don’t receive the artificial, automatic hype that is given to players that play on either coast. I, for one, find it gratifying that the “big market” teams, those that have the money to throw around on big-name free agents, were sitting home this year.

Smaller market teams are at a severe disadvantage in professional sports, in terms of both publicity and finances. When a small market team like Atlanta or Minnesota does well, the whole league benefits. Next year I hope to see Seattle or Milwaukee play Atlanta in the series. That should shut up the New York and Los Angeles media, again.

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Speaking of too much hype, why are the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers receiving so much media print and air play? When the Giants and 49ers play well, we hear about it. When they play poorly, we hear about it. When they are average, as both are this year, we still hear it.

Instead, I’d like to see some more media attention given to Houson, both are this year, we still hear it. But we bear about it. When the season ends, we know what team he plays for, Houston, Detroit, Kansas City and there?

That should shut up the New York and Los Angeles media, again.

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Last week in Los Angeles, the top-ranked high school football team in the city, Banning, was scheduled to play at second-ranked Dorsey. The Tuesday before the game, Banning teachers, administrators and parents met and decided to not play at Dorsey, but instead offered to have the game played at Banning or at a neutral site. The reason? It seems that at a Dorsey home game earlier in the season, rival gangs exchanged gunfire just outside the stadium, injuring some spectators attending the game. Further, a week before the game, a Banning student was shot and killed by a gang near the school’s football field. These incidents happened on the heels of an incident last year in which Dorsey players and students crossed and field and forced a confrontation with Banning players and students after Banning had defeated Dorsey in a playoff game.

Two aspects of this situation are bothersome. First, the reaction of city government officials was appalling. One city council member stated that he was going to try and force Banning to forfeit the rest of their games. He also wanted to cut funding for athletic programs at the school. Such a reaction by a governmental official is inexcusable. Apparently, the council member believed that a football game was a little more important than protecting players and spectators from random gunshots that seem to plague the area around Dorsey. The second disturbing aspect was that Dorsey supporters claim the move was racially motivated, because Banning, with a predominantly Hispanic school district, did not want to come to Dorsey, a predominantly African-American district. Never mind that the Banning team has black players and a black coach.

This incident illustrates the way in which sports have mixed-up the priorities of our society. A football game should never, ever take precedence over the genuine concern for the safety of the players and fans. The threat of gang violence around the Dorsey football stadium is real. To threaten Banning with the forfeiture of an entire season and the cutting off of funds because of a concern over the safety of the team and fans is, well, stupid.

As for the race issue, a decision to not play in a location where there has been gang violence, including gunfire, is not a black thing, a white thing, or any other kind of ethnic group thing. A bullet from a gun doesn’t care what color you are, and there is no football game, high school, college or professional, that is well through numerous teams and its fans to danger because of gang warfare. Bravo, Banning, and may you win the state title.

To the lighter side of things. Congratulations to Jim Franklin, Brian Golding and Kelly O’Brien for successfully completing the 26.2 mile Marine Corps Marathon in Washington last week. A question, though. How did Jim and Kelly manage to carry Brian the last 10 miles?

Prediction: Florida State 31, Miami 20. Ain’t no way a Gino Torretta-led Miami team will beat the Seminoles at Tallahassee. And if Notre Dame gets by Penn State this weekend, look for the Irish and Seminoles to hook up in the Fiesta Bowl. And by the way, as Heisman contenders continue to falter, Desmond Howard should begin to dust off his trophy shelf. The award is his come December.

Finally, the Professor Charles Koch Award, given to the person who is most genuinely possesses athletic talent, though you’d never know it by looking at her, goes to Professor Lynda Butler. Eight pounds, nine ounces on October 29. Even Evander Holyfield would have been screaming for mercy. Until next time, peace.

Getting in the hole

Partners can help you get in line for the perfect swing

By TOM BOOK

Ask any professional golfer the first thing they check when major problems develop in their getting in the hole and they will respond with one word—ALIGNMENT.

I know it is very boring to go to the driving range and practice addressing the ball while constantly checking to make sure you are lined up squarely to your target. However, without such diligent practice you will never know if the last shot hit the target because you lined there or because of a faulty swing that compensates for the bad alignment.

In playing golf with members of the law school community, I have noticed that many have poor alignment. Often, they will aim directly into trouble and then their swing will go through numerous contortions in order to hit the ball away from trouble. I am firmly convinced that Joe Quigley will need back surgery before he is 30 because of the gyrations he goes through.

The worst thing is that often the swing does not fix the alignment and the ball goes where it has been aligned, into the woods. Again, Joe comes to mind—I recently bought him a compass because he spends so much time in the woods.

If you want to see someone with pretty good alignment, try to play a round with Chris Smith. However, keep your eye on him because he likes to tee up his drives ahead of the actual tees.

Golf is a complicated game at a professional level and all but essential to have your partner stand behind you and tell you if your alignment is correct. It can be very embarrassing when your partner points out your poor alignment before you try to get it in the hole. You may feel insecure, but knowing how to align yourself to get in the hole seems like it should be very easy and natural. But, sometimes you need a guiding hand to get everything in order.

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It can be helpful to address the ball and then stand very still while your partner reaches down and moves your legs and club into the proper alignment. It may feel a little awkward, and the posture might be a little ridiculous for the golf course, but this can be the best way to get properly aligned often your partner can see things that you cannot.

I hope these tips help you because there is no satisfaction in vainly trying to align yourself in a direction that is counterproductive to your pleasure and enjoyment.

I’ll see you on the links!
description of at least one of his attackers fits the description of an assailant in the College Terrace incident.

The third attack occurred between 3:00 and 3:30 a.m. on James Blair Drive near Tucker Hall. In that incident, a lone male student travelling on foot was attacked by two men. The two assailants were described by the victim as being a light-complexioned Black man wearing a diamond stud earring in his left ear, and a dark-complexioned Black man with a broad flat nose.

Notices of the assaults were not posted at the law school until mid-morning on Thursday, November 7. According to Sadler, he did not receive reports of the attacks from Campus Police until Monday, and his secretary was out of the office on Tuesday, so the notices could not be prepared.

Several members of the law school community noted that only two copies of the notice were posted, both on the front doors to the school. These notices had disappeared by the end of the day. When similar incidents occurred earlier this year, notices were placed in several locations throughout the school.

Sadler said that he hires a student to post the notices. The student is instructed to post the notices on the front doors of the law school, the doors going into the library, and the doors to the student lounge. In this instance, Sadler said, the student did not follow the instructions given by his office.

Even women who don't rely on SHS still pay student fees, $228 of which goes to SHS.

"If I only have the option of going to Student Health Services here on campus under the group health plan, then I think that's excessive," said Linda Jackson (IL), president of Law Students for Choice. Students who scheduled their gynecological exam in the afternoon before the new policy was instituted will not be required to change their appointment. Also, SHS will still allow students with legitimate conflicts in the morning, for example, student teaching, to schedule their exams in the afternoon. It was not clear whether regularly scheduled morning classes would be considered a legitimate conflict.

This new scheduling procedure was instituted on a trial basis, but, according to Dr. Herman, it will most likely be in place next semester as well.

This scheduling policy only applies to routine reproductive health care needs. Emergency medical care is still available to William and Mary students on a walk-in basis.

Additionally, students with non-emergency health problems may request placement on the Health Center priority waiting list and be scheduled for an appointment as cancellations occur.

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