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SBA Secretary Resigns; Special Election to Be Held on September 30

By Sutton Snook

On September 5, Krista Newkirk (3L) resigned as Secretary of the SBA. A special election will be held on Tuesday, September 30th, to fill the vacancy on the SBA Executive Board. Newkirk was elected last Spring; she had one opponent in that election.

Newkirk cited her other responsibilities as her reason for leaving. Among these is her position as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Women and the Law. The Journal is in its third year and Newkirk felt that she needed to devote all of her time into continuing to build the fledgling journal.

"I didn't feel like I could give it the time and effort it required considering the [SBA] meetings last two hours each week," commented Newkirk. "It was just too much for me to handle."

The SBA Secretary is charged with taking the minutes of the Executive Board meetings and posting them on the SBA bulletin board. Meetings are weekly and usually last two or more hours. The Secretary is a voting member of the board. SBA President Frank Sabia (3L) stated that he was "disappointed to see her resign, but I understand she has a lot of things to do." He added that he was glad that this occurred at the beginning of the year so that the SBA can find a replacement for the entire year, rather than having to hold a special election in the middle of the year.

"It's always disappointing when something like this happens because it places a burden on the rest of the board," added Sabia. Newkirk's resignation is effective immediately, and she is not remaining in the position until the election. Other members of the board will fill in until Newkirk's successor is elected.

"I wish to express my appreciation to Angel Williams and Ellen McBarnette for filling in and taking the minutes of the last two meetings," stated Sabia.

"I feel really bad about it and I wanted to provide someone the opportunity to take over the position who could have the time and effort to do it," said Newkirk. She expressed her appreciation to the SBA.

Search for New Dean Underway; Student Participation Minimal

By Heather Conoby

A search for a new Dean of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law is underway. Professor Davison Douglas was selected to chair the search committee currently seeking candidates to replace former Dean Thomas Krattenmaker, who abruptly resigned last May, leaving the post on July 1. The committee, comprised mainly of professors, is charged with finding candidates who are strong leaders, have good fund-raising skills, and who have excellent academic backgrounds, no small task to accomplish in less than a year.

Professor Douglas is confident that a new Dean will be found this year. The committee has already begun meeting in marathon sessions in order to begin the review process. Douglas indicated that several promising candidates have shown an interest in applying for the position, and felt that an adequate candidate pool would surface. The Search Committee will begin reviewing candidates in October and hope to have an initial selection of 10-14 candidates after the first screening process is over.

The student representative, SBA President Frank Sabia (3L) will represent the students of the law school on that committee. Sabia commented, "I was assured by Professor Douglas that there will be more student involvement in the middle and latter stages of the search process. The Committee has been very receptive to my comments." No other students are on the committee, although the administration has promised more student involvement once the committee begins inviting candidates to the school.

The process is complicated because no professors from M-W have shown any interest in assuming the position. According to Acting-Dean Marcus, most professors elect to enter teaching because they prefer scholarship and exploring cutting-edge legal issues over administrative duties often found in the practice of law. These same duties are an integral part of the job of dean, leaving little time for the activities that initially lured academics from private practice. One main duty of a dean is fundraising, and Marcus has planned several trips, including excursions to Florida and California. Another is handling the intricate budgetary process and politicking that is necessary. It is because of these administrative duties that Marcus has already stated his disinclination to continue in the position.

For other students who would like more involvement in the selection process, the second cut of candidates will be on campus in early February for on-campus interviews.
From the Editor's Desk . . .

The GradPlex: W&M's Forgotten Stepchild

Last month, when I moved into the Graduate Complex, I walked into an apartment that resembled something better left in the annals of a fraternity house on Saturday morning. The carpets had more stain than the woodwork of the Sistine chapel, the kitchen had more food on the counter-tops than my refrigerator currently holds, and the bathroom, well, you get the drift. And, just to add the icing on the proverbial cake, I had a grouping of wires in my living room that would put Jack's beanstalk to shame. Yes, these are the same wires from last year's cable installation infamy - ie, they had installed the cable, but had neglected to cover the wires in the corner and had never painted the apartment after the construction, even though the College had summer to do this.

Now my apartment was far from the worst. One poor soul had rotting food in his fridge, while others, who were lucky enough to get new carpet, found parts of their wall carpeted also, or spots on the floor with no carpet at all. So I felt lucky. All I needed was someone to clean the apartment, paint the walls, and build a small wall to cover the wires. Or so I felt lucky.

In all fairness, the student assistants at the GradPlex have been very helpful, doing whatever they can to help me in my plight. Unfortunately, the College has stood in their way.

My apartment was cleaned almost immediately - only three days after I checked in. The carpets were even cleaned quickly. The wires and the painting, however, have taken more effort. In the College's infinite wisdom, they have taken a somewhat backward approach.

First, they sent a crew to inspect my apartment to see what work needed to be done so they could solicit bids. Second, they came and painted the apartment. Now we are on step three - building the wall, after which we will arrive at step four - painting the living room wall again. No, they have not begun this step yet.

It appears that when the inspection crew visited, they missed the wires, even though they "protrude from floor to ceiling in my living room." In other words, when I inquired about the wires, the Housing Office was not aware that these wires existed. Hence, why the painting crew will be returning.

This all may be my fault, after all.

See GRADPLEX on 6

At Least the Dean Has Guaranteed Parking

When I arrived on campus two years ago, President Sullivan told me, and the rest of my class, that the law school is the Crown Jewel in the Crown that is William and Mary. Evidently, he forgot to tell parking services. Yes, the parking problem continues, and is described by some as worse. Although the administration claims that they have tried to find more parking for students, one look at the parking lot on a Thursday morning indicates that they have not gotten very far, if anywhere at all.

Tickets continue to be issued in record numbers to students. Faculty and staff members do not have much of a problem - they have a whole lot to themselves with more spaces than would be required if the entire faculty and staff of the law school all parked at the same time. Although one adjunct professor recently complained because she had to walk from a remote area of faculty parking, her complaint does not resonate with students who have become accustomed to walking as far as a quarter of a mile from the nether-regions of student parking.

The abundance of free spaces in the faculty and staff area angers many students who are left with the choice of either being late for class as they trek over to Campus Center to park, or parking illegally and risking getting a ticket. Similarly, the resident student spaces in front of and adjacent to the GradPlex often remain open all day as students drive to their classes on areas of campus or to off-campus internships.

The problem will not go away - the administration must do something, and soon. They cannot expect students to be on time for class and continue to pay tickets. At their least, they should call and nullify the tickets already given, so students are not forced essentially to pay $10 to attend class. We already paid tuition. We should not have to pay it over and over again.

The best solution, as mediocre as it is, is to make the middle lot, which is currently for Gradplex residents only, permit parking. This way the law students can use the lot in the day, when most See PARKING on 4

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From The President's Desk . . .

Now that the semester is in full swing, I would like to keep you informed of some current and upcoming things on which the SBA is working. First, there has been a lot of concern voiced about the parking problem.

The Student Services committee has looked into the matter, but the trouble seems to be that the Campus Parking Committee has not been formed yet, so things are at a standstill as of this writing. The Student Services committee is also working on getting some recycling bins placed in the student lounge and library lobby, and is also trying to get food service for the law school, two issues that a number of students have brought to my attention.

Elections for 1L Representatives and SBA Secretary are on Tuesday, September 30th. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at that day. You will need to have your student ID card with you in order to vote. 1Ls will vote for three representatives and a Secretary while 2Ls and 3Ls will vote only for the Secretary position.

Please come out and vote. Remember that if you don't cast your vote, you have no control over who will be making decisions regarding matters that affect your life here at the law school.

The Student Assembly in conjunction with Vice-President of Student Affairs Samuel Sadler's office have managed to get a great deal for students and their families for a trip to Busch Gardens on Friday, October 3rd. The first 2,000 tickets will cost only $12.00 each. The park will close at normal hours, but will remain open until 10 p.m. for William & Mary's private party.

After the first 2,000 tickets have been purchased, the price will go up to $16.50, which is still a bargain price! We hope to have a great turn-out from the law school. Tickets will be available this week in the lobby, or through the SBA office. Ask me or a Boardmember for more details.

The 3Ls should have received a questionnaire in their hanging files asking for their preferences about graduation speakers, etc. Please be sure to fill this out and turn it in. Ask Robin Dusek (3L) or Dave Copas (3L) for more details, they are the co-chairs of the graduation committee.

Fall From Grace, the SBA's annual fall social is scheduled for October 31st this year, which is Halloween. This is the only date that Trinkle Hall was available, so the Social Committee has decided to go with the Halloween theme and make it a costume optional ball. In years past it has been a semi-formal social. Semi-formal attire is still appropriate, and costumes are encouraged but not required. We are also considering the possibility of having a magician perform in addition to the regular D.J. The event will run from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. in Trinkle Hall in the Campus Center. There will be more information about ticket sales and prices at the date of the event approaches.

The SBA Executive Board has approved the budget for the 1997-98 academic year for those student groups/organizations that submitted budget requests last semester. Judy Sneed (2L), SBA Treasurer will be sending a memo to those organizations with their approved budget amounts and guidelines for how the money may be spent.

If there are still any organizations that have not given a list of their new/current officers to the SBA to be included in the administrative/SBA contact See SABIA on 4
Candidates Vie For Positions on SBA Board
Six Compete for IL Representative Secretary

Max DeWitt,
Christopher Forstner,
Mac Stuckey

Ideas Into Action

The three of us believe in the philosophy of “Work hard, Play hard.” We understand that law school can be quite rigorous; however, we all must clear our heads from time to time as well. We’ll promote more mixers, socials and the occasional BEvERage on the patio. Given the limited time between classes, it seems logical to ask the administration to conduct a lunch vendor. Additionally, it might be worth exploring the idea of a full service food court at the graduate complex. We have the same concerns as all of you; expanding law school parking, exploring possible job opportunities and, in general, getting the most out of our tuition money. We’re willing to lobby for any issue which will enhance our collective law school experience. We’ve got three years to share in Williamsburg and we’re committed to making the most of it.

Crystal D. Harris

The Student Bar Association is the voice of the student body here at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. Each class is given a voice in the SBA and I want to be the voice of the IL class. You deserve a representative who is honest, forthright, and caring. You deserve a representative who will fight for your rights and declare your desires to the board. You deserve a representative who will stand up for the first year class. You deserve to have Crystal D. Harris as your IL Representative. I will make sure that the voice of the class of 2000 is heard. I will make sure that your needs are acknowledged and that the goals of our class are achieved. In order to make this year more productive for all members of our class, remember to go out and vote on September 30, 1997 for Crystal D. Harris for IL Representative.

Liam McCann

My name is Liam McCann and I am running for IL Representative. I am married and have two girls, ages 2 and 4. Like many of you, my wife and I undertook an enormous step when we decided that I should attend William and Mary; leaving our friends and family back in Washington state. Therefore, I feel that I, like all of you, should make these three years the most productive and exciting time in our lives. As your IL representative, I will work to make your voices heard at the law school through the Student Bar Association.

By John Wehmueller
Flat Hat Opinions Editor

We’re not going to Disneyland. But we may be going to Busch Gardens.

Student Assembly President Travis Patterson and Vice President for Student Affairs Sam Sadler are planning a school-wide trip to Busch Gardens before fall break.

“I just think it’s a wonderful idea,” Sadler said. “I hope a great many students participate and I think it will be a lot of fun.”

The idea was inspired by the party put on at Busch Gardens in 1993 for the College’s 300th anniversary celebration. According to Patton, if the entire student body celebrated the College’s 300th anniversary at Busch Gardens, “why not have a party there every year?” This year’s trip is tentatively scheduled for October 3rd, a week before students begin leaving for full break.

That Friday also falls during Soberfest, so there will be no parties on campus that night. Patton and Sadler have been formulating the plan since late summer and ironed out the details with Busch Gardens on Wednesday.

“It’s really their [the Student Assembly’s] thing,” Sadler said. “I just try to facilitate it.”

The park has been “completely cooperative. They really want to do this,” Patton said. For a ticket discount to take effect, at least 2,000 students must sign up for the excursion. Busch Gardens is offering tickets to students for $16.50. The regular cost of a full day at the park is $35.00.

As an incentive, Sadler’s office will cover part of the cost of the first 2,000 tickets sold; students who buy their passes early will be charged $12.00. Students holding season passes pay $4.00.

The park will begin accepting students with discount tickets at 3:00 p.m. Busch Gardens closes to visitors at 6:00 p.m. and students will have the park to themselves until later in the evening. There is some confusion between Sadler and Busch Gardens as to how late the park will remain open to students. A representative from Busch gardens said students could stay until 10:00 p.m., but a later fax message said 9:00 p.m.

The assembly will provide free transportation to and from the park. Parking will be free to those who wish to drive themselves.

“We’re taking this idea and running with it,” Patton said.

Tickets go on sale at the University Center and Campus Center Wednesday at meal times. Students with questions or comments can contact the Student Assembly office at 221-3302. Law Students can contact the SBA for details. Tickets will be on sale this week in the law school lobby. This event officially runs from 2 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Vacancy in SBA to be Filled by Special Election

NEWKIRK from 1 SBA and added that the organization is a good voice for the students and that it deserves a secretary who could provide more time to fulfilling the duties. She added that she wishes her successor the best of luck.

The election will be held on Tuesday, September 30, in conjunction with the IL Representative elections. Two students, Jeff Timmers (2L) and Stephen Robertson (2L) are running to fill the vacancy. The special election is open to all students.

Newkirk nomination leaves only four 3Ls on the Executive Board — SBA President Frank Saba, Student Assembly Representative Jimmy Robinson, and 3L Representatives Angel Williams and Nicole Gayle. Although all four of these members may vote, the 2L class will have five voting members and may dictate the decision on any given matter.
Monday, September 22
Hang out with Powerful People: The SBA hosts a combination student-faculty mixer and on-campus pub crawl from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the law school lobby and on the patio. Aside from the arguably powerful professors, leaders of student organizations will be on hand to dispense information and to con you into signing up for activities that undoubtedly shall suck up your free time. Free snacks and beverages will be provided, but if you’re out for beer, you may be out of luck.

Tuesday, September 23
Hang out with Fred and Kevin: The most technologically advanced conference in the world, a.k.a. Courtroom 21, a.k.a. the Fred Lederer Memorial Courtroom, will hold an organizational meeting at 4:30 p.m. in its secret headquarters, a.k.a. the McGlothlin Courtroom. The meeting is open to all students who are interested in being part of M-W’s technological paradise and want to learn how all that stuff works. First and second year students are particularly encouraged to join the Courtroom 21 team as a number of research and operational (which means you actually can touch the gadget) positions exist for students. Students who have expressed an interest in the past and wish to assume more active roles also should attend. If you are unable to attend or would like more information, contact Kevin Rasch (3L) or April Artegian (Room 200).

Calling All LSs: Learn how to use the on-line research tool that has gotten all the 3Ls through Legal Skills and their summer internships. With all of the books in the library moved into the most illogical places, who really has time to figure out what the law is? Besides, Lexis does all the Shepherding for you while you wait, leaving you more time for extracurricular activities. Sign up at the library circulation desk. A Lexis representative will conduct classes at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 25
Cutler Lecture: Professor David Currie, a national authority on constitutional history, will deliver the Cutler Lecture on “The Constitution in Congress: 1801-1809: President Jefferson and the West.” I bet this guy even can tell you what the Revolution of 1800 in the United States was all about. Big Hint: It involved Jefferson, an election, and the Alien and Sedition Acts.

Bar Review: Try your hand at Trivia! Are you almost sober from last weekend? Well, it’s time to go out again. Bar Review will be at JM Randall’s. Great deals on food and booze! Just remember, we’re all here to learn and nobody said from whom.

Strangers Among Us: William and Mary hosts the 10th Southern Labor Studies Conference, today through Sunday. Entitled Organizing the Unorganized: Past and Present, Globally and Locally, the conference will consider southern labor studies in a global comparative context. The conference will bring together scholars from a wide range of disciplines: labor activists, teachers, and students for panel discussions, lectures, and films. Students wishing to attend the conference, join the stampede to the Club or the stampedes to the History Department on main campus where you can fill out a registration form and reserve a spot for the event. If you’re out for beer, you may be out of luck.

Contemporary American Indian Art: Gary S. Wheeler, Professor in the Department of Art at Miami University Middletown, will present a gallery talk entitled Contemporary American Indian Art. The presentation will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the Muscarelle Museum of Art. The Muscarelle is located off Jamestown Road on the university campus and is open without charge seven days a week. Contact Rachel M. Szawn at 221-2703 for more information.

TV! TV! TV! TV!: Why else would we be in law school, but for the inordinate amount of free time we have to veg in front of the tube? If this fine point of M-W life has been lost on you, tonight’s as good a night as any to reform your ways. Beginning with Friends at 8:00 p.m. and culminating in the first ever live performance of ER, NBC’s famed Thursday night line-up previews for the fall season tonight. If you still aren’t interested, seek psychiatric help and go ahead, go back to the library.

Friday, September 26
Forget the Library: Another Lexis-Nexis session for LSs seeking to learn the real secrets of success in law school. Given the demonstrated lack of knowledge possessed by the reference “librarians,” Lexis and Westlaw may be your only hope. Sign up for classes at the library circulation desk. Today’s class will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 27
The British Have Arrived: Maybe not all of them, but certainly one of the more influential ones of the 20th Century. Lady Margaret Thatcher speaks today, 10:15 a.m. (that’s 3:15 p.m. in Limey Time) at William and Mary Hall.

Sunday, September 28 through Saturday, October 4
Don’t Drown Your Sorrows at the Undergrad Frats This Week: Soberfest, yet another conspiracy by the Substance Abuse Awareness people to make people learn at W&M, runs this entire week. You guessed it; the campus is dry all week, so people will be moving their parties off-campus, to the bars, and to Busch Gardens.

Wednesday, October 1
Who Needs LSAT?: Entries for men’s, women’s, and co-rec recreational soccer teams are open today from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Get a team together, begin intensive training, and kick the undergrads off the field.

Thursday, October 2
Rosh Hashanah: For fear of being termed insensitive, we will refrain from making jokes and instead make note of the fact that Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown today.

The Other Kind of Football: Act like a Brit today and brag to anyone who will listen about how you and all your friends have put together a really competitive football team. Of course, don’t forget to make it over to the Rec Center between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. to register for intramural soccer. Entries close today, and if you’ve convinced someone to come watch you play, you’ll look really silly when you forget to register the team.

Friday, October 3
Drink and Run: Remember, it’s Soberfest, so this isn’t what you might think — instead, it’s the Alcohol Awareness 5K Run, beginning at the Rec Center. One can only wonder how anyone with enough awareness of alcohol to be qualified for this event can possibly participate in an athletic event that causes cramping if you drink too much.

Call the Rec Center if you’re really interested, undoubtedly the line won’t be too busy.

Please submit your entries for the Amicus Events Calendar to Kevin Muhlendorf (3L) or the Amicus hanging file. Entries may include activities sponsored by law school organizations, main campus or community events.

Impossibility of Performance
No Defense to Parking Tickets

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Gradplex residents are on main campus, and the Plex residents can use the lot at night, when most law students are home.

Last year, parking services, after receiving numerous complaints, came to the law school to survey the lots. Unfortunately, they came during lunch when most students are off-campus. Consequently, they fail to see the problem. I guess they just think law students enjoy parking illegally, which must explain the umpteenth tickets.

Another solution is to remove the fire lane from the far end of the parking lot. As there are no buildings that would require a fire lane, and since it is doubtful the cemetery will go up in flames, there is no sense in maintaining the lane. Changing it will provide another fifteen to twenty spaces.

The simplest solution is for the administration to instruct parking services to stop ticketing students until sufficient spaces can be found. Otherwise, maybe Dean Marcus will surrender his prime spot.

President Sabia Discusses Parking, Busch Gardens, Fall From Grace, Hanging Files, and the Budget

SABIA from 2
sheet, they must do so immediately!

I have noticed that some groups have not even checked their hanging files regarding my last memo on this issue. Perhaps some of the groups were unaware of the fact that they have hanging files.

All student organizations on the law campus have a hanging file located all the way to the left of the filing area beside the 3L hanging files. Officers of these organizations should check these hanging files regularly. If Judy does not know who your group’s treasurer is, you will not be able to receive any funds.

Anyone who is unable to attend the organizational fair from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. to register for intramural soccer. Entries close today, and if you’ve convinced someone to come watch you play, you’ll look really silly when you forget to register the team.

Sincerely,

Frank T. Sabia
SBA President
SBA Finishes Budget Four Days Behind Schedule

The SBA has finalized the current year’s budget on Friday evening, although the SBA Constitution requires the organization to have a completed budget by September 15. The big losers this year are Moot Court and the National Trial team, which were removed from the SBA auspices by the Student Assembly last spring. The law school has been forced to pick up the slack for the two teams.

The SBA budget was increased by the Student Assembly, as is customary. Organizations must now read the binders located in the library regarding the strict procedures that must be followed for expenditures. Note that no exceptions will be made for reimbursement procedures and that all organizations must submit receipts for reimbursements no later than thirty days after the date on the receipt. Memoranda setting forth each organization’s budget for the 1997-1998 school year have been dropped in the organization’s hanging file. If any organization has questions, see the SBA Treasurer Judy Stead.

Lady Margaret Thatcher to Speak at W&M

On Saturday, September 27, Lady Margaret Thatcher, Chancellor of the College and ex-Prime Minister of England, will deliver a lecture and discussion as part of the special Family Weekend program at 10:15 a.m. at William and Mary Hall. In addition to bringing greetings to students and their families, Thatcher will address questions from the audience. This visit to campus is one more in a series of several visits made by Thatcher during the four years since she was appointed to the position of Chancellor. Although controversy regarding press access to her speeches has reigned.

Lexis-Nexis to Deliver Legal Research on Web Browsers

Lexis-Nexis is delivering a series of classes to students on the Lexis-Nexis collection of legal research is now available on the internet through which the members of the 1998-1999 Moot Court Bar will be selected, must attend the packet distribution on Monday, September 22, at 7:30 p.m. The deadline for submitting Declaration to Compete forms will be announced at the meeting. Any student not attending the distribution will not be allowed to compete.

Environmental Law and Policy Review Selects Staff/Members

Congratulations to Allen Bachman (IL), Tara Booker (IL), Tom Christiano (2L), Eric Cronin (2L), Charlene Daniel (1L), Robyn Ellis (2L), Jennifer Honor (2L), Michael Hyman (2L), Erika Kroetch (1L), Lauren MacAnshen (IL), Charles Miller (2L), Chris Murch (1L), Andrew Pearson (2L), Jason Rylander (1L), David Saiki (2L), Heather Stacey (2L), Rachel Thurstun (2L), Alan Wilbur (IL), and Jeff Yeates (IL).

America Inn of Court Selects New Student Members

The 1 Anson-Hoffman American Inn of Court Foundation has selected the following 3L students to join the organization for the 1997-1998 Inn year: Tony Brown, Amy Dilworth, Mark Dowling, Brent Garland, Nathan Green, Melinda Kaufmann, Kimberly Levine, Ken Mahieu, Kevin Muhlendorf, Jimmy Robinson, Eric Smith, Windslyd Walden, Paul Walker, and Melvin Williams.

Southern Labor Studies Conference to Be Held at W&M

W&M will host the 10th Annual Southern Labor Studies Conference on September 25 through the 28th. Titled “Organizing the Unorganized: Past and Present, Locally and Globally,” the conference will consider southern labor studies in a global comparative context. While evening session are free to students, regular sessions require a $20 registration fee. For more information, contact Professor Cindy Hamovitch of the History Department at 221-3770.

Bill of Rights Institute Announces the 1997 Supreme Court Preview

The Institute of Bill of Rights Law will sponsor the 10th Annual Supreme Court Preview on October 24th and 25th. The Preview brings together court-watching journalists and academics for a lively analysis of key issues on the Supreme Court’s docket this term. On Friday, the Institute will hold its 11th moot court; this year’s topic is Piscataway v. Tauman, an affirmative action case. The other topics for the evening include a View from the Solicitor General’s Office, and The Court and Race Relations: What Lies Ahead? Saturday’s topics are Criminal Law and Procedure: First Amendment/Election Law; Civil Rights, Business, Commerce and Property; and Federalism: A Court in Search of Itself.

Registration is free for W&M students, faculty, and staff. For more information, contact Professor Dave Douglas at 221-3853.

Dean Search Committee Seeks Replacement for Krattenmaker

SEARCH from 3 to 5. There will be a student interviewing panel which will interview the 5-7 candidates and prepare a Student Report which will be presented to the Search Committee. This report will be used by the committee, as well as reports generated by other interviewing panels, to narrow the list of the top 3-5 candidates which will be submitted to the Provost and the President to choose the next Dean.

Provost Jillian Cell has set a February 28 deadline for this short-list to be submitted to her for consideration and selection of the dean. Professor Douglass indicated that no student should feel as though input is not wanted by the committee. Douglas said, “Student input is welcome and is important.” There will be opportunities for students to ask questions of the candidates when they come to the school in February. In the meantime, the SBA representative is acting on behalf of the students as an active part of the selection process.

The Search Committee consists of Professors Ales, Bahtia, Dickerson, Douglas, Hardy, Ward, and Williamson; Dean Emeritus Spong; Dean of the School of Education, Frank Sabia, Student Representative; and a local attorney.

Overheard...

Who says states can give more rights than the Constitution?

— Professor Williamson

Uh — Professor Smolla.

— Randy

There’s no black market for sperm.

— Paul in Ward’s Property Class

You need to have a scarcity to have a black market.

— Carla in Ward’s Property Class
Work Hard, Play Hard — Social Calendar Packed

By Alexis Bennett

The social season is under way for the beautiful people in the 'Burg. First on the list of events was the party at the "Blue House" on Friday the 11th.

All eyes were on the handsome and charming hosts Ryan Barak and Patrick Muldoon. The buzz around the keg and hot tub was that not only are these two gentlemen pleasing to the eye, they also know how to throw one hell of a party.

However, a good deal of the party’s success could be attributed to the glittering attendees. Each class made strong contributions. Representing the third years was the devastatingly handsome Paul Verbassey and the very sexy Steve Diamond.

Notoxicic, the fairer sex turned out to two of its finer specimens of beauty and charm, Audra Dial and Megan Timmins.

The second year class supplied the rugged good looks of Rob Toy and Bayard Smith along with the glamour and glitz of law school “bad girl,” Dana Lohtis. Even the first years appeared in good form. Max Dewitt (possibly the most amazing male specimen in the law school) led a barrage of great looking guys (most notable were Chris, Jerry, Hunter, and Mike) into the party much to the joy of every girl in attendance.

Next was the polo match on Sunday in Gutschland. Mark Van Dusen (3L) (who has the face of an angel and the pelvis of a devil) and Robin Dusek (3L) (gorgeous and does a mean Ike Turner impersonation) were hosting a fabulous picnic on the sidelines. Consequently, Robin almost ended up with a horse in her lap.

The rumor circulating was that Mark is up against Melissa Etheridge for the part of Janis Joplin in an upcoming movie. An industry insider was quoted, “Melissa looks more the part, but man — you’ve got to hear Mark do Bobby McGee.”

On the following Thursday, the A-list was out clubbing. The Rockin’ Robin was the scene for those cool enough to shake their booties on the dance floor and give the karaoke mike a try. Frank Saba (3L) made quite a hit with the ladies, crooning Elvis tunes but this was really the 2L class’ night to shine.

The four international sex symbols of 302 Griffin Street reigned supreme as queens of the evening. Leslie impressed all with her prowess on the dance floor while Jen Alaire (3L) was being spurred around by an unbelievably gorgeous and charming Spanish hunk.

This whirlwind of events culminated with the glamour and glitz of Casino Night on Friday. A racy prep party was hosted by those three fabulous hunks Tom Koonce (3L), Rick Ensor (3L), and Max Dewitt (1L).

Then it was off to the gala event. All the guests arrived looking fantastic in their finery, but the evening’s hostess, Krista Newkirk (3L) was a standout in a stunning full length silver dress. This first lady of style was always a paragon of success in keeping the festivities running smoothly.

However, much of the guests’ enjoyment of the evening could be attributed to the efforts and dedication of the PSF volunteers. Dave Riordan’s (3L) charisma and patient assistance to neophytes made the crowd a popular destination while all the broke souls at Katy’s blackjack table were in agreement that she was a little too good as a dealer.

Rebecca Ethier (3L) was dedicating her night to making sure that the guests were all enjoying themselves and consequently, looking great while doing so. And Dave Bruns (3L) (be still, my beating heart) as always was pouring his heart and soul into the success of PSF.

Also worthy of accolades were Rhonda Jones (3L) and Rob Toy (3L) who were out back dispensing companionship and beer.

Neglect of Graplex Perplexing

Graplex from 2 was asked that the work be done now, rather than over either Fall Break or Christmas, when I cannot protect my belongings from whatever damage may be inflicted.

You may recall some of the horror stories from last year, in which students came home to find their beds painted, their computers splashed with paint, etc.

And so, I wait. Frustrated. I would think that the College would take better care of its newest housing complex.

I wonder what Lettie Pate Whitehead Evans, for whom the complex is named, would say if she were here now.

A few years ago I came to Williamsburg and began my education at a venerable institution with a proud tradition. On the side I went to the college across the street from the Green Leafe. Not to borrow a phrase I won’t say that all I learned from the Green Leafe, but some of the best lessons were definitely imparted there.

It was there I learned: the difference between whisky and whiskey, and why an eighteen-year-old beats two twelves. Just how reasonable a great cabernet can be.

That Babe Ruth’s record for most scoreless World Series innings pitched stood until 1961, the same year his home run record was eclipsed. That a properly poured Guinness will hold the shamrock to the bottom of the glass. That the United States is a fish in the river so thick you could hear ’em coming. That a good cigar’s composition changes from tip to butt. That the Brits were preparing to abandon Virginia when Rolfe suggested they try growing tobacco. That Mickey Gilley, Jerry Lee Lewis and Jimmy Swaggart are cousins.

The difference between an IBU and an IPA. That a good idea beats a good intention any day. The mystic words to the Gilley classic, “The Girls All Get Prettier at Closing Time.” That the secret to a long life is knowing when it’s time to go.

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Protecting the West From the Sharks of the Securities Industry: Interning for the SEC in California

Lydia Hoover

After much job searching, soul searching, and frustration with mid-Atlantic weather conditions, I decided to forsake my firm job offer and accept a paid internship position with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Pacific Regional Office in Los Angeles. I made this decision with absolutely no background in securities law and no inclination that I would ever want to work for a government agency. It was solely my desire to be back in the Golden State that prompted my acceptance of the PRO’s offer.

Following a long, but entertaining, four day journey across country, I discovered that the PRO is located in West L.A. in the E! Entertainment Television building, which is overpopulated with Hollywood types who insist upon taking the elevator to a single floor and constantly and on another.

PR0 could use a prior deposition of a particular witness. I was also able to sit in on a deposition of a witness in an insider trading/manufacturing manipulation case. The other interns and I also were allowed to attend the training sessions that the staff attorneys and examiners attended, which were very informative on issues such as the NASD and the Commission rules regarding mutual fund advertisements. The task I probably liked the least, but still learned a lot from, was having to digest depositions from the Orange County case.

All in all the summer was a valuable and worthwhile learning experience that helped me to appreciate working in an office full of attorneys who all had high qualities of life and did not hate their jobs. After my summer, I will definitely be looking into permanent work for the Commission.

Of course, there are disadvantages to every job. The PRO does not pay as much as a firm and they do not have the budget for scores of summer events. To my own dismay, the PRO does not extend offers to summer interns, as they hire staff attorneys on an as-needed basis.

I would highly recommend this summer program to any 2L student who is interested in securities law, working for the Commission (or any other agency), or permanent work in Southern California. Currently, the summer intern program at the PRO is run, in part, by Tim Belevetz (W&M ’92). The PRO requires a resume, transcript, and writing sample and they are more than willing to accommodate non-California applicants via telephone interviews. More specific application information may be found in OCPP.

Defending the VA Department of Corrections

Last summer I had the opportunity to work full-time for one month in the correctional litigation division of the Virginia Attorney General's Office. The experience was a fascinating and occasionally intimidating introduction to civil rights litigation in the prison context.

The main function of the Correctional Litigation Division of the Attorney General's Office is to represent the Virginia Department of Corrections (VDOC) in any legal action in which it is engaged. The seven attorneys in my division spent the majority of their time trying to settle habeas corpus claims and allegations of civil rights violations brought by Virginia prison inmates under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

Because the vast majority of prisoners filing claims against the VDOC cannot afford attorneys and therefore represent themselves, many judges waive the formalities normally expected of counsel in order to give the inmates a fair chance to have their complaints addressed. As a result, many seemingly frivolous claims were permitted to go to judicial hearings or trials. I spent the majority of my time aiding the attorneys in trial preparation by extensively researching the current state of prisoner civil rights law.

The majority of the cases on which I worked dealt with alleged violations of prisoners' religious rights. These religion claims were particularly fascinating because the Prison Litigation Reform Act, a federal law passed in late 1996, threw into question many of the so-called "freedoms" prisoners had obtained through consent decrees and injunctions imposed during the 1970's and 80's. In addition, the Supreme Court's rejection of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, which may have voided the entire concept of religious freedom in the prison context, coincided with my internship, allowing me to research a timely and consequential issue.

In addition to researching for trial preparation, my duties included updating the in-house reference journal of relevant cases and researching the potential effects of changes in federal and state law relating to prison litigation. Although I spent a considerable amount of time researching, the out-of-library experiences the internship afforded surpassed my expectations. I attended witness interviews and depositions at area prisons and a juvenile correctional facility, observed settlement conferences in judicial chambers, and assisted at the trials for which I had done research.

Correctional Litigation Division often intimidates me, but not because of the number of prisons I visited. As a general rule, the inmates I had to handle were in jail for violating revisions of the prisons and a juvenile correctional facility, observed settlement conferences in judicial chambers, and assisted at the trials for which I had done research.

Over the summer I worked on numerous cases. Some were quite unpopular, and considering some of the things I observed during trials and prison visits, it is no surprise that the value placed on their civil rights is less than is placed on any other identifiable group of American citizens. The general attitude of the attorneys for whom I worked was one of annoyance when prisoners attempted to assert their constitutional rights, and after reading many of the prisoners' claims I found myself sympathizing with their frustration. A great many of the claims were frivolous complaints brought by prisoners whose admitted goal was to frustrate the legal system and annoy the Department of Corrections. One striking example of this was a prisoner who made it to the district court and appealed a claim that corrections officers had attempted to another him with a mattress. What the prisoner, who had dozens of prior convictions for assault, guards, wardens, and other inmates, failed to note in his claim was that the officers used the mattress to push him after he had attacked a prison nurse with a metal knife he had made and hid in a body cavity.

Frivolous claims are disheartening, not only because they waste thousands of dollars, but also because by granting claims made by judges, lawyers, and society skeptical about claims that might be true.

One such claim was filed by an inmate at a psychiatric prison hospital who, by order of the state physician, had been held six months beyond the involuntary commitment date set by the judge who presided over his commitment hearing. The VDOC settled the man's claim for $12,000, admitting its physician had violated the inmate's due process rights.

I am grateful to the William and Mary Public Service Fund for making it possible for me to accept this otherwise non-paying internship. Perhaps surprisingly, the experience instilled in me a commitment to the protection of prisoners' civil rights.

The fact is that many criminals are only incarcerated for relatively short periods of time and most will eventually return to society. If their civil rights are not protected while they are in prison, criminals will not learn to respect the rights of others. They will have been denied the most fundamental rights guaranteed by the state and federal constitutions, and will have no incentive to respect the laws of a society that does not treat them fairly.

Despite a deluge of frivolous litigation, our country cannot afford to forget that our legal system would not be functioning as it is now if it allowed civil rights claims made by the least of our citizens to go unaddressed.

—Ann Hausebauer

Justice, Public Defender Style

Who can judge 'justly' the court of Gideon or Solomon? My summer at the Office of the Public Defender in Virginia Beach, made possible by the Public Service Fund, confirmed my trust in Gideon.

Almost one hundred years after the Fourteenth Amendment was ratified — and that criminal defendants were guaranteed access to due process protection through the holding of Gideon v. Wainwright, establishing the right to counsel. There is surely a greater chance that justice will
Ask Job Goddess

The Incredible Shrinking Resume? The Job Goddess Gives an Insider’s Answer to Student Concerns

Dear Job Goddess,

One of my friends showed me something called a “business card resume.” What he did was to have these business cards printed up, with his name and phone number on one side, and highlights from his resume on the other side. He said he’d bundle a bunch of people are doing this, so that when they meet potential employers they hand over these cards. Should I bother getting some for myself?

Curious in Chicago

Think for a moment, Curious, about the kind of circumstance in which you’d be tempted to whip out one of these incredible shrinking resumes. You’re at a social gathering. You happen to meet William Winkle, of the law firm Winkle, Blinken, and Nod, and it becomes clear fairly quickly that Will is a) friendly, and b) a potential employer. The surest way to turn this chance encounter into a job is to use it as the basis for future contact. As Carolyn Bregman, Career Services Director at Emory Law School, points out, “Follow up with a phone call or note, mentioning something Winkle said to you.” You can say that you’d like to follow up on whatever it is that he said, or by phone or by note and found that he’s an expert on phlegmen reclamation law and how that’s a topic that’s always fascinated you, and invite him for coffee at his convenience so you can learn more about it. What have you done? You’ve taken a social encounter and turned it into a potential job opportunity. And that makes the Job Goddess very proud.

But what happens if you, instead, whip out your business card resume, and say, “Gee, Mr. Winkle, nice meeting you. Here’s my business card resume, in case you ever need anybody like me.” Now what have you done? You have, with one simple gesture, wiped out any excuse to follow up! Instead of having a phone call or a note from you that is personalized to Winkle, you’ve got a piddling little standardized card with you vital statistics on it. Ugh. I know you’re much more memorable, Curious, than anything you could possibly fit on the back of a business card.

So there you have it, Curious. Save the money you’ll spend on a business card resume, and spend it later, when you have a real business card to print, reading, “Curious, Esq. Winkle, Blinken, and Nod, Attorneys at Law.”

Yours Eternally,

The Job Goddess

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More Tales of Summer, Brought to You by P.S.F.

P.S.F. from 7 be done when the adversaries in our adversarial legal system are roughly matched.

The first day with the Public Defender, I was asked to assist with a first degree murder trial; the defendant had shot and killed his brother-in-law. The drunk and violent victim in this incident had been attempting to kick in the door of the defendant’s trailer home when he was shot dead.

It seems, in my novice view, the evidence pointed more reasonably to self-defense. The jury did find the defendant culpable, but of the lesser charge of manslaughter and imposed a sentence of one-year. I am not sure of the results were this criminal defendant dead.

My work included a number of violent felony cases. Sometimes the defendant was sympathetic, sometimes not; but in every case, I felt that counsel for the defense and the Commonwealth would have to meet its burden of proof. In referring to justice, I do not mean perfect justice, I mean a rough approximation.

I asked myself many times: Is one year in a prison just punishment for wrongly ending the life of another? Is justice done when a defendant foolishly turns down a plea offer of two years and is instead sentenced by a jury to twenty-six years?

While I am uncertain as to these questions, I am sure of my gratitude to the Public Service Fund. I learned a great deal this summer, and trust that in some small way I helped protect the rights of the accused. Short of an impartial, sometime judge, I will take the approximate justice that proceeds from Gideon.

—Mark D. Epley

ACLU Capital Punishment Project: To Die at the Hand of Violence

This summer I worked serving the public. Through the funding of the Public Service Fund I was able to provide the greatest service of all I gave life. I was an intern in the national office of the ACLU for the capital punishment project.

When my colleagues, friends, and family asked me what it was like to work in such a judge, I could only say that poor men and those men belonging to minority died and no one seemed to care. The fact is that people were often surprised that I would want to defend such people; men and women convicted of horrible crime. People wondered whether I had considered about the victim and the victims family.

The Death Row inmate is a human being and his murderous activity is committed under the color of law by those individuals with powers vested in them by us. It is in everyone’s name that a murder is committed. If murder is wrong why do we do it?

I saw a lot of death this summer, but the death of Justice Brennan had a great effect on me and on the struggle for civil rights. As guerrillas in the civil rights movement, we have seen that the death penalty is a weapon of the state and the death penalty is a weapon of the state and the state. The death penalty is a weapon of the state and the state. The death penalty is a weapon of the state and the state.

In 1996 retired Justice Brennan was quoted saying:

“One area of law more than any other besmires the constitutional vision of human dignity. The barbaric death penalty violates our Constitution. Even the vilest murderer does not release the state from its obligation to respect dignity, for the state does not honor the victim by exalting its murderer. Capital punishment’s fatal flaw is that it treats people as objects to be toyed with and discarded. One day the court will outlaw the death penalty. Permanently.”

—Daryl D. Butler

Justice Brennan was a strong opponent of the death penalty and an advocate of human rights. His untimely death will be felt by us all. Let his legacy in the fight to abolish the death penalty serve as a constant reminder that we must press on.

This summer I sat in a small, cramped office that was in the shadow of the supreme court. I would look out the window at that great building after reading the daily death watch (a daily running count of those executed by the state) and wonder: “when will justice be realized instead of being talked about?”

When will the words in the Constitution hold true for all Americans? When will we as a Nation wake up and say enough is enough? When will I be satisfied that I have seen the America that I have thus far only dreamed about? I think the words of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., from his “I Have a Dream” speech provides us all with some answers. “No, no, we are not satisfied, and we will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream.”

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Attention 3LS

236 Days Until... Graduation

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A Cultural Experience: Pizzeria Uno’s and Rockin’ Robin

By Erika “Kitty Kelly” Kroetch, Kindra “Reliable Source” Gromelski, Daniille “Social Chair Chick” Berry, and Rachel “Volunteered Again” Smith

On a hazy, humid Thursday night like every other hazy, humid Thursday night in the end of the deck we found our least pretty funny. Among those at the “chips” “Gods” “let’s make fun of” Erikson, More Clips to the porcelain gods “…” and a bag of chips “Green, Becca “just too nice to make fun of” Erikson, Todd “Praying to the porcelain gods” Rothlisberger and his new undergraduate roommate.

As we moved out onto the deck, some more law students joined the crowd and once again tipped the balance in favor of the 3L sightings, we spotted the surprise appearance of Dow “Oh so learned 2L” Saeger. At the far end of the deck we found our way up with “the boys”: Chris “There’s no way those things are real” Morrison, and Jeff “But its Queen Size” Polish, along with Jennifer “Lieutenant” Stanley, where we settled in for a few drafts and some interesting bites. As the Bar Review “specials” were nearing their end, we were pleasantly joined by Kevin “Thank God there’s more Southern here than Yankees” Rice, Mary Beth “Yes, my boyfriend is real” Lenkevich, Giancarlo “Uno Mas” Campignaro, Tyler “I can have my cake and eat it too” Dow, Chris “After tonight, I am not going out on weekdays” Hewett, and Jessica “You are coming to Casino Night aren’t you?” Arons and her little sis!

The numbers were definitely in the 1L favor once honorary 1Ls joined the party: Andy “You have to meet my dog” Lastig, Kevin “You have to meet Andy’s dog” Muhlendorf, and Matt “I just live here” Kaiser.

Before the evening drew to a close, infrequent socializers Ryan “Patrick and I really do have a lot in common” Barack, Audra “So this is the world outside the backyard of the library” Dial, Kristen “Some of the 3Ls trying out for Moot Court need to know” Burch, Patrick “Nobody ever fails Legal Skills” Muldoon, and Steve “My name doesn’t really mean what you think” Dickey.

Conversation then turned to the Green Leaf for some, where at this point, we lost a few, gained a few, and drank a few more. The rest of the night is history or at least pretty funny. Among those electing not to fight the crowds in the Leaf and instead remain at Paul’s were Mike “Afraid to go out and see the drunkards I lived with first year” Romano and an unidentified Education student who has frequently been seen with 3Ls of years past. Just a final note to the 3Ls: 1L numbers would have been better if we didn’t have such diligent students staying in on Bar Review night to make Legal Skills the class it was meant to be.

The following hard working 1L individuals had to be acknowledged for their willpower to continue working on their State Bar Memorandum and preparing for the Client A interview. If it weren’t for all of you, we could not have been out “observing” Bar Review. Missing In Action were: Bob “Waikiki Hokecky” Marshall-Wythe, Phil “The tortfeasor” Morris, Phil “The tortfeasor” Kohl, John “It’s really quite simple, but I just made it complicated” Lanou, Jason “Damn those Republicans!” Rylander, Paul “I’ve learned not to put liquid in the dryer” Zigler, Don “The Honorable” Martin, Hunter “McConaughy” Healey, Carla “Hail to the chief” Boyd, Chris “Eager Beaver Forster, Karin I should bring my M-16 to Property” Westbrook, and Bretta “Crowned and dangerous” Zimmer.

After taking a week to sleep off all the pizza, beer, and appetizers, students headed out in droves to the September 18 Bar Review at the perennially favored Rockin’ Robin. Things started slowly, but by 9:00 the dollar drafts had loosened up some inhibitions and vocal cords, paving the way for Karaoke.

Prompted by the vocal geniuses of Dave “Uh…” don’t change it while I’m singing, Beavis” Copas and Frank “Chris lives again” Sabia, aspiring Star Search prospects from every class rotated positions from the microphone to the bar all evening long. Judging from an informal poll conducted at the scene, Copas stole the night with his rendition of Led Zeppelin’s “Stairway to Heaven,” followed closely by the 3L Women’s Choir (whose leaders, of course, must remain anonymous) of “When I Think About You I Touch Myself” and “I Will Survive.”

The real entertainment at the Robin proved not to be in the singing, but in the dancing display put on by those who had indulged in more than their fair share of Jello-O Shots and Kamikazis. Our sources noted that a certain tall, dark 3L had difficulty keeping his pants on, the horde of Electric Sliders provided a well choreographed version of a mosh pit, and quite a few interesting couple combinations resulted in locked arms in arm during the dreaded slow songs.

After one (or six) too many renditions of Aerosmith’s Greatest Hits by an unknown, unkempt township, the evening drew to a close somewhat early prompted by the rudeness of the GED-challenged employees, the absence of beer (who would have thought that 2 kegs wouldn’t be enough for 100 people?), and Karaoke Man’s tactful decision to dedicate the “Asshole” song to our party.

Needless to say, we suggest that the Social Committee review our further association with the Robin’s Lizard Lounge. Demonstrating our usual level of creativity, festivities resumed at Paul’s and the Green Leaf.

If you didn’t make it into our “Bar Review,” don’t feel left out, just show up at future Bar Review and do something worthy of acknowledgement.

Upcoming Bar Reviews:
September 25
J M Randall’s
October 2
Outback Steakhouse
October 9
Fall Break—No Bar Review
October 16
Yukon Steak House
October 23
An Evening of Bowling at Willardsburg Bowl
October 31
Fall From Grace

More Clip n’ Save Marshall-Wythe Trading Cards! Collect them all!!
This week: Let’s Make A Deal
Carmela’s

A Little Italian for the Stallions, Not to Mention A Chance to Escape the ’Burg

By Andy Lustig and Kevin Muhlenborg

This October, our humble food critics took their palettes to Newport News for some of the best Italian food in the greater peninsula area. Though many are often frightened to leave the comfort of the ‘Burg, Carmela’s, at 14501A Warwick Boulevard, is well worth the 28-25 minute trip. We accompanied our meal, however, not following the directions the restaurant gives — you will get lost.

If you take I-64 East to the Ft. Eustis Blvd exit (the first one, towards Ft. Eustis), then take route 60 East for about 10 minutes, you will find Carmela’s at the corner of Oriana and Warwick, on the right side of the road.

With us this week were six hungry 3L’s, again aiding in the variety of dishes tasted and allowing us to, once again, test our public establishment.

To begin the evening, the appetizers were ordered. The beer selection was respectable, with beer prices ranging from $2.75-$3.50. In the spirit of the meal, Kevin had a Moretti and Andy had the Rappahannok Red.

To what our appetizers, the table opened with an order of Polpetini Spinach Balls ($4.95). The dish consisted of 6 balls (or 3 sets) covered with cheese and sauce, and lighty breaded. This chef’s obvious handles his balls with care because they were fluffy and well shaped.

Along with the spinach balls, the table split a gigantic Portobello Mushroom ($7.95). With a lovely garlic flavor, the mushroom further heightened our anticipation of the delicious treats to come.

To accompany the meal, we ordered a bottle of Stone Creek Merlot ($13.00) and Francesco Chianti ($14.00), the menu, like the 1L class, was full of promising choices, though we were only able to sample a few.

Andy ordered the special, a delightful mix of chicken, shrimp, and rigatoni in a tomato white wine sauce ($11.95). The breasts were tender and supple, and the perfect portion, no more than a mouthful, while Andy’s ribbed noodle (the rigatoni) was never ending.

Kevin, as he often does, felt adventurous. Taking Carmela’s up on their offer to create his own dish, he went with a lobster ravioli in a pesto sauce ($8.95). While delicious and beautifully prepared, as is so often the case, Kevin felt teased, creamy ricotta than she could handle in one night.

Over the protests of your ever sensitive and politically correct food critics, one heartless diner ordered the Veal Picatta ($10.95), a lovely cut of meat pan seared and sauteed with mushrooms and capers in a light lemon sauce. In response, that particular patron stated, “I’m no Nabokov, but much like Lolita, the tenderest meat is often the youngest.”

One dapper Law Review editor ordered the Cannelloni al Forno ($10.95), a jumbo foot long noodle stuffed with chicken, peppers, spinach, roasted peppers, garlic, mozzarella, ricotta, parmesan, and smothered in Carmela’s own special sauce. Unaccustomed to handling an object of such girth (and unable to find the fork) in comparison to the bountiful platters that surrounded him.

Two in our party had the Chicken Rollantine ($10.95), a savory combination of chicken, ham, and creamy sweet marsala wine sauce served over the pasta di giorno.

One of our party had the Lasagna ($7.95), a staple of any good Italian restaurant, which came with more meat and and left somewhat unfulfilled. Having seen the quantity his companions enjoyed, Kevin felt that he deserved more, so he ate off his most generous friends’ plates. In other words, the only, and we stress only, disappointment of the night was the small portion of Kevin’s dish, which paled in comparison to the bountiful platters that surrounded him.

Two in our party had the Chicken Rol...
Music for the Masses

An Evening with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra turns into A Night on the Town

By J.S. Bach and Georges Bizet

The first weekend in September turned out to be quite a cultural and emotional experience. The Virginia Symphony Orchestra, in association with the Williamsburg Winery, sponsored an "Evening Under the Stars with Beethoven" together with a wine tasting. The wine tasting began promptly at 6:30 on Friday, the 5th of September. After having paid an outrageous $30 for Boone's Farm-like wine and the cutest little finger-foods, we were determined to get our money's worth. After quite a few glasses in a very short time and a round rendition of the S&M Man, we embarked on self-guided tour of the Winery's vineyards and production facilities.

We were distracted from our efforts in helping the winery in fermenting it's vines, when we heard the familiar and graceful call of the oboe. With some challenge, we took our seats under the vast tent and with nervous anticipation waited the arrival of the Maestro.

The VSO opened with Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 in F major, otherwise known as the "Pastoral." Listening to the smooth, yet driven, arpeggios and crescendos of the piece, I was consumed by happy and special thoughts and memories, not unlike the happy and special feelings a shepard feels after the storm (Allegretto).

As its final piece of the evening, the VSO performed one of Beethoven's most treasured and moving compositions, the "Moonlight Sonata" in C sharp minor. The haunting and melodic sounds which flowed so elegantly through the heavy summer air, coupled with the beauty and brilliance of the twinkling constellations sent organic tremors through the crowd.

We were unable to control ourselves as we burst into tears, falling to the floor, sobbing in utter despair. Why are we so alone here? We just want to be held and feel the touch of a woman. We have feelings and needs too, and R.D.'s Gallery of Girls just is not cutting it anymore. Soldaten, any takers to fulfill our longings for love (or perhaps a brief interlude)?

What made this weekend so ironic was that instead of finding women, Bruce Hornsby found us. Obviously concerned at having found two grown men weeping at his feet, the good artist showed us the compassion that is evident in his work. After talking it out with us and providing a seemingly never ending flow of tissues, Bruce invited us back to his crib for a little impromptu jam-session.

A quick tour of the estate and a brief snack, we found ourselves in this marvelous studio, filled with a grand piano, guitars, a mandolin, a cittern and other assorted instruments such as a lute and bagpipes. Bruce sat down behind his Steinway and because he had become aware of the fact that we are pretty big fans in the music industry, asked us to critique some new compositions dedicated to life in Colonial Williamsburg.

The songs included "I Am a Shepard: I Tend the Sheep, Stranded on Dog Street, Mind the Manor, Ezekiel's Theme, Nice Costume dude, Get Outta My Way You!*!@** Tourist, and our personal favorite, Where's Dean K now?" All of the songs displayed the artful songwriting ability and genuine emotion of a Bruce Hornsby classic.

This man is so sensitive and compassionate that his songs caught the passions, tears, and hopes we all feel for good old CW. We definitely recommend buying this one when it is released later this year. Also, keep your eyes open for a possible surprise performance at the Green-Leafe.

Stay tuned next edition (if we are still employed) for our review of Puff Daddy's Tribute to the Notorious B.I.G. and special commentary on the East coast - West coast rivalry.

HOOKUP Pick of the Week:

The "Lu"/Tupponce (3L) suggests Billy Ocean's "Get Outta My Dreams and into My Car"

A Divided Court — Swingers and The Game Reviewed

By Kristi Garland and Chris Murphy

Swingers — Michael Faveau

Kristi Garland writes for the majority.

Swingers is already one of my all-time favorite movies. This low-budget romantic comedy/male-bonding flick, featuring relatively unknown stars, tackles its themes of love, friendship, and following your dreams with such warmth that you hate to see the credits roll.

A movie about twenty-something men in L.A. trying to launch their acting careers, Swingers combines a witty, well-written script with sweet, short, and effective cinematography — surprisingly rare feat in this modern era of movie-making.

And then, just when you thought it couldn't get any better, they toss in a retro-70s theme that made me wish I knew how to do the Lindy and could stomach a martini. I haven't gotten the soundtrack yet — but I will. All in all this movie is on its way to greatness in my book — I've seen it four times thus far, but suspect it will find its way into my VCR for years to come. >>> (out of four).

Christine Murphy writes for the dissidents.

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Getting A Little Saucy In the Kitchen

By Kim Hackett

The scent of autumn is in the air and that means it’s time for some serious cooking! The following recipes can be made before you sit down to watch your favorite football team (go DAWGS!). While these sauces simmer, turn on the tube and watch Dallas get their butt kicked. After the game, you’ll have a nice little Italian meal waiting for you.

A few tips before you start cooking: You will need a very large pot for Mama’s Spaghetti Sauce. I bought my tomatoes at Hill Pleasant Farms off of Richmond Road in Norge. A 20 lb. box sells for $5.00 or less. You will need about 1/4 of the box for the spaghetti sauce.

Canned tomato products may be substituted for fresh tomatoes. Fresh pasta can be purchased in the dairy section of your local supermarket. Boxed pasta may be substituted.

If you are a vegetarian, omit the ground beef from the spaghetti recipe. Sauté the garlic and onions in a little olive oil. You may want to add additional mushrooms.

The remaining spaghetti sauce can be placed in plastic containers and stored in the freezer for up to 6 months. The clamp sauce should not be stored in the freezer. Leftovers should be placed in the refrigerator and consumed within a few days.

Mama’s Spaghetti Sauce
Fresh tomatoes
basil
6-8 large garlic cloves
ground oregano
2 onions
red pepper flakes
2 green peppers
5 bay leaves
12 mushrooms
rosemary
2 lbs. lean ground beef
thyme
2 small cans tomato paste
1/2 cup sugar (optional)

The first step of this recipe is to peel the tomatoes. This can be easily accomplished by making 2 slits at the base of the tomato in the shape of a cross. Plunge a few tomatoes in a pot of boiling water for 20 seconds. Remove and let cool while you repeat the process for the rest of the tomatoes.

Slice all of the tomatoes in half and remove the pulp section with the seeds. This procedure removes water from the tomato and will prevent your sauce from becoming soup.

Slice tomato halves in two and place in a blender or food processor. Puree enough tomatoes to make 6 cups of sauce. Place the puree in the pot. Finish quartering the remaining tomatoes and throw them into the pot. Mince the garlic and slice the onions. Place them in a large non-stick frying pan with the ground beef.

Brown the meat until no pink remains. Drain the fat and add the meat mixture to the pot.

Slice the mushrooms and green pepper (remove the seeds) and add them to the pot. Add the tomato paste.

The spices should be added to your own individual tastes. Start with a small amount of everything and add more as your taste buds dictate. Mama uses a lot of basil and oregano, small amounts of thyme and rosemary, and a medium quantity of red pepper. A word of caution: if you use ground cayenne pepper, use very small amounts!

Add the bay leaves. The sugar should not be added at this time. Bring the mixture to a boil over medium heat. Then reduce the heat and let the sauce simmer uncovered for two hours, stirring occasionally.

More spices should be added during these two hours along with the sugar if you want your sauce to be on the sweet side.

Pour the sauce over fresh pasta. Serve with a Caesar salad and a loaf of fresh sourdough bread.

Don’t forget the bottle of Chianti!

Ramen: It’s Not Just for Undergrads Anymore

By Lydia Hoover

After four years of college, most of us realize that Ramen noodles are a meal in and of themselves. Add a few vegetables and a few spices to the brothy concoction and you find yourself indulging in an exciting and new eating adventure.

There is one man, however, who seems to have more than a little time on his hands, as he has written The Book of Ramen, a cookbook with recipes on how to use Ramen noodles in soups, salads, entrees, and, you guessed it, desserts.

Well, sometime after the bar review last week when I ended up at my local hangout, the Cherry Wheat beat me up and I agreed to pick a recipe out of this book, make it, try it, and write up an article about my experience.

Resolved to be a woman of my word, even though Sam Adams had a hand in my promise, I was determined to pick out a dish. Soups using Ramen are so lacking in innovation and the entrees seemed the same. I decided to be bold and make a dessert dubbed “Ramen on a Stick.” So, the recipe calls for wrapping the noodles around a stick, deep frying them, and rolling them in caramel and nuts.

Some may scoff at the very idea of making such a dish, but I figured, it must be ok, after all, it is in a cookbook. So I made my Ramen, melted the caramel, and after a little frying and a little dipping … voila, Ramen on a Stick. To be totally honest, the deep fried noodles that got really crispy and then covered in caramel were not bad. The wet, limp noodles in the middle of the stick, however, were a different story. I guess I’ve eaten worse things, but I don’t think I’d have had such a nice dessert. So, if you have some spare time and want to try something new, go ahead and try it. After my experience, I think I was left mostly wondering what kind of life the author of the cookbook leads.

Ramen on a Stick
1 Package Ramen Noodles
8 Popsicle Sticks
1/4 Cup Chopped Pecans, Walnuts, or Peanuts
6 oz. Carmel Candy Cubes
Oil for deep frying

Use a package of noodles that has not been broken up so that you get nice long noodles. Boil the noodles in a saucepan with two cups of water. Drain in a colander. Carefully wrap one end of a stick with noodles until about 1 1/2 inches in diameter. This is a sloppy mess when the noodles are hot and wet, but gets easier as they cool and dry — then they begin to stick together. Just try it to get the knack.

Put the caramel (remove the wrapper) in the top part of a double boiler with plenty of water in the bottom part, and boil at medium high. It takes about 1/2 hour until they get gooey; don’t let all the water boil away. Add one teaspoon of boiling water to the caramel mixture to speed up the process.

Heat oil to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Hold the end of a stick in a pair of tongs and deep fry for a little over one minute. Drain on a paper towel. Repeat with all the sticks.

When most of the oil has drained off, roll the fried noodles in the softened caramel. Then roll the caramel-covered noodles in the chopped nuts. Let cool on waxed paper. Makes seven to eight sticks.


The Game: Good, Bad, Or Not Worth The Film?

FLICK PICK from 11 ing this one in a big hurry. Christine Murphy, dissenting.

Picture this — You are an investment banker with no family, no mistress, not even a dog. Your wife left you for another man. Oh, and it’s your birthday and you are almost fifty.

Now picture this — For your birthday, your long-lost brother presents you with the opportunity of a lifetime — a "game."

What kind of game, you ask? After an entire day of diagnostic tests, physicals, etc. your game is designed to fit your personality, to highlight your strengths and weaknesses.

You do not know the rules. You do not know the regulations. You do not know who else is playing. You do not even know when the game begins. But when it does, you better be ready or you lose.

I can’t tell you much more about this movie without spoiling it. All I can say is this — Don’t go alone. Don’t trust anyone. Pay attention.

Incidentally, my roommate has not seen The Game, and there were no particularly catchy lines.

CROSSW RD Crossword

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Krista Newkirk (3L) and Lew Glenn (3L) discuss how much to gamble.

Dave Riordan (3L) reigned over the craps table to eager gamblers hoping to make a quick buck.

Lydia Hoover (3L) does her best John Travolta while dancing on the table.

Mark Epley (2L) and Ellen McBarnette (2L) consider their winnings and Mark's '70's shirt.

Lydia Hoover (3L) helps Karen Field (3L) choose the lucky, or unlucky, winners of the door prizes.

Matt Kaiser shares his better half with all.

Brian Robinson (2L), Rebecca Eicher (3L) and Aaron Book (2L) share a moment.

Alas, only the Editor got that one.
Coughlan Up Predictions . . .

Success Stories: Tampa Bay, Davis, and Hingis

By Ken Coughlan

If I told you one month ago that three weeks into the NFL season there would be only one undefeated team left in the NFC, who would you have guessed that team would be? Be honest. Dallas? Green Bay? San Francisco? Carolina? Any of those four would have been logical choices.

If I had a time machine, I’d put money on the team that really did it (in Vegas or Atlantic City, of course). The Tampa Bay Buccaneers. No, that is not a misprint. And they didn’t win over second-rate opponents either.

Their season opener was a victory over the 49ers and their next two games were won against the Lions and Vikings. In fact, all three of those games were won with their only loss being to the Bucs.

The last time Tampa opened a season with three consecutive wins was in 1979 and they made it to the NFC title game. Since then they have been a model of inconsistency, losing 10 or more games in 13 of the last 14 seasons. Why the sudden change? Two words — Tony Dungy.

The new head coach seems determined to remind people about the forgotten third NFL team in Florida. He’s done it with draft picks like Warrick Dunn, Mike Alstott, and Warren Sapp, all players other teams didn’t want for various reasons. Dunn was too short, Alstott was too slow, and Sapp was too unpredictable off the field. So far they’re all coming through for the coaches, though.

The Bucs haven’t been the only excitement in professional football. On the 15th the New England Patriots got to host their old coach, Bill Parcells, and his new team, the New York Jets.

The Patriots were up 24-17 with just over two minutes to play, but Neil O’Donnell led his team on an 82-yard drive to score the tying touchdown with under a minute left.

The ensuing kickoff sailed into the end zone, but the Patriots decided to run it out anyway. The return was fumbled on the 16-yard line and the Jets recovered. They set up for the chip shot field goal, but it was blocked with 16 seconds left. That sent it into overtime and the Patriots eventually took the game with a field goal of their own.

On the following Monday night, the Philadelphia Eagles faced off with the Dallas Cowboys at Texas Stadium. The Eagles did everything within their power to make sure that the Eagles walked away with a victory, but Philadelphia missed out. The Eagles absolutely dominated the first 57 minutes of the game, but 5 field goals kept Dallas within reach down 20-15.

When the ‘Boys got the ball back, they drove it into the end zone and missed a two point conversion, taking a 21-20 lead. The drive wasn’t without controversy, though. With a fourth and five around mid-field, Dallas benefitted from a pass interference call. The replay clearly showed that the ball had been slightly tipped, so by rule, there could be no interference.

After the kickoff, the Eagles drove down to the Dallas six yard line, benefiting from a too-close-to-call what the referees didn’t notice that Ty Detmer clearly crossed the line of scrimmage before the final pass.

On the field goal try, the holder bobbled the snap and didn’t get the ball down cleanly. Chris Boniol opted not to try the kick and they couldn’t run it into the end zone.

In major league baseball, the Baltimore Orioles became the first team to clinch a playoff spot with a 6-5 victory in the first game of a double-header with the Cleveland Indians. The game was actually highlighted by another victory of sorts.

Right-fielder Eric Davis played his first game since undergoing colon cancer surgery in June. He put up ordinary numbers, but the crowd recognized the immensity of his achievement by giving him a standing ovation on several occasions. Davis had to have a third of his colon removed and has been undergoing chemotherapy for several weeks.

Also, Pete Rose is trying to get himself reinstated after being banned for life from baseball for gambling misconduct. The ban has been in place since 1989. Rose’s lawyer and attorneys for Major League Baseball already had preliminary talks and they plan to meet again this month.

Finally, in my last article I reported that Martina Hingis had won every match in straight sets on her way to the semi-finals of the U.S. Open. Well, the streak didn’t end there.

She took the entire tournament just as convincingly. The 16-year old has lost two matches all year and has won the Australian Open, Wimbeldon, and the U.S. Open.

The Official NHL Preview: Get the Predictions Now

By Todd Gillett

Western Conference

Pacific Division

7. San Jose Sharks (last season: 27-47-8): The sole bright spot of the Sharks’ 96-7 campaign was acquiring former Blackhawk’s goalie Ed Belfour. In the off-season, they lost him to free agency. (Prediction: And they thought last year was ugly.)

6. Mighty Ducks of Anaheim (36-33-13): Last season, forward Teemu Selanne poured in 51 goals for the Ducks. Teammate Paul Kariya contributed 44 of his own. Their next best player, Steve Rucchin, only scored 19. The Ducks lack depth and the Disney-operated management has yet to open their cheatbooks to correct the problem. Unless the Movie Studio/Team Owner starts to concentrate on hockey rather than merchandising, the Ducks will never be great. (Prediction: Another Mickey Mouse season.)

5. Los Angeles Kings (28-43-11): Remember 1993 when the Kings went to the Stanley Cup finals? Now, remember the last time the Kings were in the playoffs? Here’s a hint … it was 1993. Life without Gretsky has not been kind to the Kings. Still, no one can stay the doormat forever. (Prediction: Kings manage to pick themselves up off the floor, miss the playoffs by three points.)

4. Calgary Flames (32-41-9): The Flames were not a very good team last year. While they will not be great this season, they are still a young team and, with luck, could improve. The playoffs are still a longshot, but they are within reach. (Prediction: They won’t set the world on fire, but they might squeak into the postseason.)

3. Vancouver Canucks (35-40-7): Messier’s return to his native soil instantly makes the Canucks a better team. However, 37-year-old forwards, even legends, generally do not last long. If the Canucks hope to make a run at the Cup, this year might be their only chance. (Prediction: Mess will be “The Man” in Vancouver, but not the savvor.)

2. Edmonton Oilers (36-37-9): In the opening round of the playoffs, the Oilers used nine rookies and beat the heavily favored Dallas Stars. With more experience, this team could become a serious contender. Sadly, however, the fans in Edmonton might not be able to enjoy it. The team has been put up for sale by its owner and might be moving to America. If that happens, there will be more NHL franchises in California and Florida combined than in Canada. (Prediction: A wonderful season for the Edmonton faithful to remember.)

1. Colorado Avalanche (49-24-9): The only thing that can stop the ‘Lanche is probably the ‘Lanche. In last year’s Western Conference Finals, the Avs appeared comaplemental as they were picked apart by the Red Wings. With Sakic and Forsberg both looking healthy, not to mention Roy in goal, look for Colorado to regain the drive that took it to the cup in ’96. (Prediction: If they don’t tinkle it to the Finals, they’re underachieving.)

Central Division

6. Toronto Maple Leafs (30-44-8): The MapleLeaves … oops, Leafs do have Mats Sundin. Unfortunately, they don’t have much else. (Prediction: Should be eliminated from the playoffs by mid-November.)

5. Phoenix Coyotes (38-37-7): Keith Tkachuck might be the next NHL superstar. (Prediction: Surprise, surprise. Another mediocre season.)

4. St. Louis Blues (36-35-11) Every year, the Blues do one thing. First, they take the ice, wearing the ugliest uniforms in the league. Then, they fail to make it to the conference finals. Without Brett Hull and company start producing, the team owners should consider trading players and starting over from scratch (Prediction: Surprise, surprise, another mediocre season.)

3. Chicago Blackhawks (34-35-13): It’s been noted that there’s usually only one winner anything to cast doubt on that assertion. Still, the playoffs might be a possibility. (Prediction: Won’t make Chicago residents forget Michael.)

2. Detroit Red Wings (38-26-18): Had things stayed the way they were, the Wings would have been a solid pick to win it all again. Losing Konstantinov hurts. (Prediction: Great, but will it be enough?)

1. Dallas Stars (48-26-8): The Stars might be the best defensive team in hockey. Acquiring Goalie Ed Belfour might make them even better, if they could only make it out of the opening round of the playoffs. (Prediction: Great regular season. Playoffs might be iffy.)

Eastern Conference

Northeast Division


5. Montreal Canadiens (31-36-15): Only Boston has more problems than the Habs. (Prediction: Another year of rebuilding.)

4. Carolina Hurricanes (32-39-12): This year, the Hartford Whalers move to Greensboro, NC. Next year, they’ll move into the new arena built for the See HOCKEY on 15
In the Swing of Things With IM Softball

By Mae Stuckey

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(Look for the latest on the M-W, A&B, and CAC.)

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McIntosh and Joel de la Rey Prohosky have knocked the cover off the ball on several occasions. Garber even intimated that the Madras could knock the Briefs off their covered pedestal. (Garber plays alongside several fellow UC workers has posted a 1-1 record so far this season. Having won an 8-7 squeaker in their first outing, they dropped their second game to Maqui before you can drive her, you must know how to Parkerson’s squad by the count of 12-7. Speaking of teammates Tonya Richwell Powell. Crawford stated, “She might appear unassuming to some in the classroom, but she sure packs a wallop on the field.”

The mighty 11. Assault and Battery posted a big win this past Thursday. Led by the bats of Rick Go West and Earl The Pearl Pinto, the blazing speed of Patrick Blake Stare (still recovering from his triple), the smooth gloves of Jason Can You Tell me what a Dwelliss is? and the pitching of Mac The Knife is Stuckey in my backey, A&B downed the undergrad fraternity SAE. Kevin Rice-J-Roni. The real Williamsburg great summed it up best, “For a bunch of washed up law students, we did alright.”

In co-reaction, the 2-1 teams of Jamon, Jamon and Phat Bacon did battle this past week.

In this battle of the pork, Garber reported that Jamon skewered the Phat boys and girls 2-1. Jill Kramer vs. Kramer and Dana Love Lefoks Up Where We Belong ran the show for Jamon, with big plays on the field and strong appearances at the plate.

Dennis Barghaan Shopper got the win on the hill and helped his own cause by belting a towering homer. Doug Wher’e Drak’s Bacon took the loss in stride.

Keep your eyes peeled right here for the latest on the M-W intramural scene. And if you don’t have a team of your own, be sure to support your fellow M-W ballers.

If you’d like your team to appear in the bright lights of the Amicus, drop a note in my hanging file.

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2. Buffalo Sabres (40-36-12): The Sabres were the most improved team in the league last year, thanks to the excellent coaching of Ted Nolan. Now, Ted’s gone along with Gary Galley, the team’s best defense man. The Sabres do not have the size-up-front to match the top teams in the Eastern Conference. However, if they are able to put all the distractions behind them, they will probably be able to compete with anyone. (Prediction: A successful regular season for a team overcoming adversity.)

1. Ottawa Senators (31-36-15): In 1910, the Ottawa Senators made the playoffs. In 1934, the team left the NHL. Last year, the Senators made their first playoff appearance in 66 years, nearly ousting the favored Sabres. If Alex Tashin develops into a star, the Sens might be able to take their place among the elite. (Prediction: Hell freezes over... Sens make it to the conference finals.)

Atlantic Division

7. New York Islanders (29-41-12): Over the last couple of seasons, the Isles’ uniforms included a logo which looked suspiciously like the “Gorton’s Fishstick Fisherman.” This year they’ll be returning to the original “Long Island and a hockey stick” icon. Glad they could get that settled. Now if they could just start working on their team... (Prediction: In the NHL’s toughest division, the Isles will sink quickly.)

6. Tampa Bay Lightning (32-40-10): This Summer the “Ning traded to acquire Flyers’ defenseman Karl Dykhuis and former Legion of Doomter Mikael Renberg. Unfortunately, to swing the deal, they had to give up Chris Gratton, their future star. Remy should help, but he and Dino Ciccarelli won’t be enough to save this team. (Prediction: No Gratton, no playoffs.)

5. Washington Capitals (33-40-9): During the offseason, the Caps management failed to sign their two best scorers, forwards Adam Oates and Peter Bondra, to longer contracts. At the same time, they also raised ticket prices. No comment. (Prediction: Insert your favorite Caps nickname here... Capitals, Choking Dogs, Flightless Eagles, etc.)

4. New York Rangers (38-34-10): As all Redskin fans know, there’s a thin line between being “veteran” and being old. This year the Rangers’ aging line-up will cross that line. If the Rangers’ front office doesn’t purchase some new talent quickly, this could be a bad year down on Broadway. (Prediction: Next step for the Great One... Geriatric commercials.)

3. Florida Panthers (35-28-19): In 1996, the Kitty Cats played in the Stanley Cup final. Last time they didn’t make it past the first round. Despite losing Brian Skrudland to the Rangers, the Cats still have enough fire power to compete offensively and Vanbiesbroek in goal. (Prediction: With a little confidence and a lot of luck, Panthers start winning again.)

2. New Jersey Devils (45-23-14): The Devils are the most boring team in the league. While teams like the Sabres skate all over the ice, the Tunkip Dwellers constantly use neutral ice traps to keep opponents out of their zone. This slows the game down. It also works. The Devils had the best record on the East last year. (Prediction: The system works, again.)

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