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Wythe Honor Code

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By Paul Walker

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By Donald Sciorinto,
Judicial Council Chief Justice

Last year, President Sullivan began a process to unify the College's honor codes. The process is ongoing, thus it is unclear when the unified Code will be implemented. When it is implemented, it will supersede our present Code.

Until that happens, however, we are subject to the present Marshall-Wythe Honor Code. A student-wide referendum to vote on proposed revisions to the Marshall-Wythe Honor Code will be held next month. The revisions were proposed by last year's Judicial Council.

That Council sought to improve what it felt were shortcomings with procedural aspects of the Code. Specifically, the revisions seek to improve the efficacy of the trial process. The present Judicial Council is asking that you take an interest in these revisions because they will affect us until the unified Code is implemented. The referendum is your chance to either approve or disapprove these revisions. No matter what your viewpoint, please vote.

A copy of the proposed revisions will be placed on reserve at the library circulation desk. If you have any questions, please ask me or any member of the Judicial Council.

Security System Keeps Thieves and Students Out

By Deanna Griffith

Following several delays, the library security system will be up and running today. In an effort to prevent theft of both library and student property, all students entering the library outside of normal hours must swipe their ID cards to open the doors. Although the start up of the security system was originally scheduled to coincide with the beginning of the fall semester, law students now must alter their routines to adjust to using their ID cards for after-hours entry.

According to Jim Heller, Director of the Law Library, several factors contributed to the delay. These problems ranged from hardware and wiring problems to the programming of the ID cards. Many of the faculty ID cards have not been working because they are older and not in good condition. There may still be a few glitches to be worked out over the next week or two, but Heller is confident that the system is ready to go. The library staff did not want to activate the security system while the problems were only partially resolved, fearing that the faculty, staff, and students would suffer.

Many 2Ls and 3Ls have been disappointed to find out that they will no longer be allowed to enter and exit the library through the second floor faculty wing. Heller explained that most libraries only have one main entrance in order to prevent theft of books. He explained that having an alternate exit defeats the purpose of the magnetic book theft prevention system. "We will have one main entrance and exit, as a library should," Heller said.

The second floor door also contributed to the start-up delay. The door has an emergency release handle which triggers an alarm. During the installation process, Heller said he assumed that scanning an ID card would override the emergency release. When he found that the system would only be deactivated by turning a handle on the door, he immediately knew that this was wrong. Resolving this problem led to further delays in the activation of the security system.

Although these problems have inconvenienced both staff and students, the system is on its way to making the library a safer study area. In addition to the safety aspect of the system, it offers another advantage to students: increased access hours. The building will be accessible to students using ID cards at 6 a.m., ninety minutes earlier than before.

Students who haven't checked if their cards are programmed correctly should do so as soon as possible. If a card is working properly, it will turn the yellow light on the card scanner green. If your See LIBRARY on 9
A Managing Editor's Response

As the 2L and 3L job search kicks into full swing, several students have been dishing out more resumes. The current grist feeding the infamous M-W mill goes something like this: "Those #1 students (insert organization of the best 5 firms) have taken credentials on their resumes for fewer interviews. The rest of the class have a chance at shorter notice contracts and offers of employment. Instead, they can look for opportunities that will remain for other students.)

The problem stems from the fact that many students are appearing more prominently on interview lists than others. Arguably some form of "Law Firm Darwinism," those passed over in the process complain that candidates with certain credentials on their resumes (such as journal or Moot Court experience) have taken unfair advantage of the on-campus interview process by dropping for every firm in certain areas rather than selectively for those firms in which they have a genuine interest. Whether or not the substance of these complaints holds true, they ignore the fundamental issue underlying the entire job search process, that of choice.

Although the control in the job search process originates with the student's choice to apply for any given position, power ultimately vests in the firm itself as its recruiting officials choose whom to interview. "The most productive use of his time dictates that he interview only those candidates who, based upon his evaluation of their credentials, may be invited to join the firm. Consequently, recruiters actively schedule interviews with certain portions of the class, unfortunately passing over others who may perform as well or better than those who happen to "look good on paper." Most students feel a certain degree of anxiety about their employment prospects, a feeling heightened by the misery which pervaded most of our first year class. Many feel frustrated at the lack of certain steps which may be necessary to facilitate this process.

Assuming that students in the upper percentiles of the class with journal or Moot Court experience will attract more attention from employers, by no means does this translate into abundant offers of employment. Instead, recruiters subscribe to a subjective system in selecting which students to interview and offer employment. Aside from exacerbating tensions among all strata of the 2L class, this year's preemptive strike has not reduced the number of applications, cannot force employers to interview applicants they do not foresee employing, and will force the issue now dividing the class to remain on the forefront of the job search horizon.

When all the dust settles, the issue remains one of choice: each student says it was hard to say, with a straight face, that he or she "wants to work in Topeka," perhaps he or she should not have applied to the OCP's "open to interview for a native Kan-

Of course students want to place themselves in a position to secure a paid job for the summer, but how much of a safety net is necessary? An extra interview? Twenty interviews? It is necessary to continue to drop for every firm after one has received a perfectly respectable offer? No. Safety nets are fine, ego boosts are not.
Olsen Visits M-W; Imparts Advice On Persuasive Advocacy

By Sutton Snook

On Wednesday, September 18, 1996, the Masters of Advocacy Lecture Series held its inaugural lecture by Theodore Olsen, Esq. who spoke before a crowded room on persuasive advocacy before appellate tribunals. The speech served as the official kickoff for the 1996 Bushrod Washington Moot Court Tournament.

Olsen, currently a partner at Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, served as Assistant Attorney General, under President Reagan and has argued before the Supreme Court 11 times, including three times this last term. Cases from the last term included issues involving the constitutionality of single-sex colleges, interpretation and application of the Sentencing reform Act and Federal Sentencing Guidelines, and federal appellate review of allegedly excessive damage awards.

Olsen gained prominence as the defendant in the landmark case of Morrison v. Olsen, where the Reagan Administration lost its battle against Congress over executive privilege. "The Clinton Administration now wishes I had won that one," stated Olsen. Most recently, Olsen argued on behalf of Virginia Military Institute in its unsuccessful battle to remain all male. Aside from regaling the audience with war stories from his appearances before the High Court, Olsen provided some needed advice to potential advocates before the mighty Bushrod Court. He imparted the importance of moot court in legal education and commended M-W for beginning the moot court tradition over 200 years ago.

Olsen said that most important in appellate preparation is knowledge of the record, preparing possible questions and answers, and practice. Olsen commented that when he argues before a court he holds three moot courts in front of fellow attorneys. Olsen also noted that it is very important to know what the case means, and what the case will mean for the country should he win his case.

To prepare for argument before the Supreme Court, Olsen undergoes a long and arduous process. First he writes a script of his argument, followed by an outline of the script. He also creates as many as 75 pages of possible questions and their answers. "You can really understand what the justices are thinking when they ask questions," commented Olsen.

Olsen added that the U.S. Supreme Court currently has eight justices who regularly question attorneys, as Judge Thomas rarely voices questions. He also added that it is rare for an attorney to get through the second minute before a justice interrupts to ask a question. He also conducts extensive research of the justices to see if they have a track record on the issue or personal interest in the case. For example, when preparing for the VMI argument, Olsen noted that Justice Ginsburg was a vocal advocate against gender discrimination.

Olsen attended the University of California at Berkeley where he majored in speech, maintaining a heavy involvement in journalism. He credits journalism for his writing ability and encouraged students to be involved with the newspaper or journal. Olsen also said that if he had to law school over, he would choose Marshall-Wythe, complimenting the city of Williamsburg and the school. "The practice of law is wonderful," stated Olsen.
Meet Professor Grover

By Marte Barnacle

Although Professor Susan Grover has been on the faculty at Marshall-Wythe School of Law since 1988, the stories of her life seem to flow like Greek Orocles—these mysterious things that cause us to travel great distances to ask important questions. Sometimes we get the answers we need, sometimes our disks get eaten as a tribute, sometimes things work out and we don’t really understand why. Lately, our local oracle has undergone a number of changes. I spoke with Mike Phillips, one of the resident Patrons of the Law Library Computer Lab, to see if I could get the skinny on the evolution of techology there.

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Larger Than Life - The Class Of 1999

By Sara Hirsch

We survived law camp and made a respectable showing at the softball tournament with the help of Dean Krattenmaker. We have occasionally attended the “Bar Reviews” on Thursday nights and have even found our way to the deis on the weekends. The parking problem and the crowding around the hanging files has no doubt been made worse by our size. But what is the 1L class really like?

The characteristic most commented about by others seems to be the number of people in our class. There are 198 of us now because 2 incoming students were admitted off wait-lists to other schools. That number compared to the 185 students in the 2L class and 162 in the 3L class is not a large difference. There has been a national downturn recently in the number of applicants to law school (about 10%), thus the Admissions Office reasons that the number of applicants that actually accepted (the yield) would also decline. However, the yield increased this year to 26.2%, up from 25.8% last year. Although this produced a larger class, when the Admissions Office was actually looking for a smaller class, the result clearly reflects well on M-W.

Faye Shealy, Associate Dean for Admission, extends her thanks to everyone for choosing M-W and continues to welcome any feedback on the admissions process. She further states that the administration, which is being told by many in the class, and Grover participated in a public debate on that subject while there. She said that she would compare the Barbados situation to “the United States in 1970,” but explained that it is difficult to compare the U.S. with Barbados because of differing cultures and government structures. She pointed out that, “Barbados has a unique British and Caribbean mix that renders them especially resistant to change in this area.”

Grover also studied the status of women in Australia. She noticed that Australia faces problems arising from the larger class, when the Admission Office was originally looking for a smaller class, the result clearly reflects well on M-W.

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Professor Susan Grover

Grover believed that there are “techniques to maintain good physical and mental health” throughout the law school experience.

What advice does Professor Grover give law students? “Don’t forget that your perspective and attitude are within your control,” and “take affirmative steps to change your attitude if you are experiencing feelings of negativity, fear, or boredom.” She recommends exercise, study breaks, and varying your diet to help students remain alert and healthy throughout law school.

Grover feels that professors can set good examples for students by seeking to achieve balance in their own lives. As a member of a Women Law Professors Association for the Tri-State Area, Grover is currently planning a “maintaining and modeling healthy workstyles” conference to be hosted at W&M this Spring.

While in Barbados and in teaching summer classes in Australia last year, Grover concentrated on women’s rights and employment discrimination law. She

M-W Computer Lab Roars Into The 21st Century

By Dov Szego

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The Journal of Women and the Law Announces New Staff Members
Congratulations to Kathleen Bergman (2L), Kristian Burch (2L), Keri Chistensen (2L), Tanya Pickenscher (1L), Deanna Griffith (1L), Deanna Williams (2L), Eliza Hutchinson (2L), Stacey Jones (2L), Amy Laderberg (1L), Karen Lemp (1L), Kim Levine (2L), Eunice Aaron Goforth (2L), Calvin Anderson (3L), Drew Swank (3L), Wendy Vann ('96), and Charlie Young (3L) submitted an amicus curiae brief in United States v. Salazar, argued last spring at the law school, via the magic of Courtoom 21 technology, before the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. A majority of the Court agreed with the position supported in the brief submitted by these M-W students. Congratulations!

Marshall-Wythe Students’ Brief Prevails in Appeal
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New Judicial Council Member Announced
Aaron Goforth (2L) was appointed Associate Justice to fill a vacancy on the Judicial Council. The comment period will conclude on Monday, September 23. Any comments should be directed to the SBA Wilson (2L), and Stephanie Zapata (2L).

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such as stats packages, it also means that we can use the busi-
ness school’s Microsoft Office licenses (for Word, Access,
Powerpoint, etc.), and that things
such as Lexis/Nexis can be ac-
accessed from all the labs on cam-
pus. This may be a particularly
useful advantage when people
start cramming into the library
just before exams.

To address the obvious com-
plaints, Phillips assured us that
computer services will be teach-
ing usage classes. Announce-
ments for these classes are
generally posted on the bulletin
boards, in the Do
ter, on the TV
next to the circulation desk, in
the student lounge, and can some-
times be found in mail drops.
Classes can be signed up for in
the binder (which is now located
in the lab, not at the front desk).
Regarding user-friendliness, Phillips says that friendly is what
you're used to, but that an advan-
tage of the heavily windows-
based system is that all the pro-
grams are similar; you only
have to learn it once. In addition
to the fact that all the labs have
the same software, using the new
system should be easier and more
convenient.

Phillips also expects that the
system will continue to advance.
He said that he would expect
Windows NT 4.0 to be installed
the next time users are off-line (be-
fore the summer). There also
is movement toward having
Westlaw added, as well as
Quattro Pro (when the NT ver-
sion comes out).

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more uniform, easier to use, and
provides more functions and fea-
tures, it is truly a great step for
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ate, all these sudden changes may
create problems for some. In the
end though, everyone should
adjust and the new system should
help all of us to be more produc-
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of the 1L class include volun-
teering with the Peace Corps, the
Headstart program, the Red
Cross, the United Way Cam-
paign, Habitat for Humanity,
Special Olympics, and a variety
of other activities. Three of us
were elected Student Body Presi-
dent, many have led debate
teams, another was a College
Bowl Team Member, and one is
the great, great-grandson of a
U.S. President. Joining our ranks
also are Phi Beta Kappa mem-
bers, College Republicans, and
Young Democrats.

More recent accomplish-
ments by members of the 1L
class include 7 students being
invited to join the Journal of
Women and the Law, 5 joining
the Environmental Law Review,
and 14 joining the Bill of Rights
Journal. Many of the rest have
become involved in other extra-
curricular activities such as ini-
tramural sports, Student Legal
Services, Avalon, and writing for
this very paper. Some students
are just trying to keep up with
the workload. Whatever it is that we
are all doing, the faculty has de-
scribed the Class of 1999 as “pre-
pared, hard-working, and fun,”
so we must be on the right track.
We may even be able to live up
to the name of our softball team
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ment and learn the rotation sys-
tem around the hanging files if
we keep up the hard work.

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their differing balances of racial
groups, which has implications for
women’s rights issues.

“I plan to use insights gained
during my travels in my classes
here,” Grover said. Her research
is especially relevant to Women
and the Law and to Employment
Discrimination. Grover said
hopefuly, “Maybe I can use
some research material in Civil
Procedure as well,” although
the governments in Barbados and in
Australia use procedures very
different from ours.

In terms of the United States’
present situation regarding
women’s rights and employment
discrimination, Grover said,
“We’re on the right track—we’re
changing laws and changing at-
titudes, and with continued
changes, women and men enjoy
improvements in the workplace.”

Despite her fruitful year away
from Williamsburg, Professor
Grover said she is happy to be
back with the William and Mary
students. She especially enjoys
the “good human environment”
here and she feels that our fac-
ulty’s collegiality is superior
to other schools and both faculty
and administration have great
concern for the students. The
“students are the clients at Will-
am and Mary School of Law,”
and Professor Grover takes plea-
sure in teaching with that idea in
mind.

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student strives to place himself
in an optimal position to
choose a firm whereas employers make
the ultimate choice as to which
of our sycophantic corps will be
invited into their hallowed halls
of association.

Changes in the current job
search procedures will not
change this fundamental fact.

Rather than fighting among
ourselves, we must realize the
permanence of our situation and take
into consideration the positions
of others. None of us created the
policies, and none of us deserves
any of the blame.

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Brandon personalities allegedly encouraged Brandon MacDonell, whose talent is eating and

The Customer Isn't Always Right

Jack Metier of Hudson

Cultural Diversion: Goya's Forgotten Works Of Art

By Jill Cramer

It is just about that time in the semester when we feel the need to flee as far as possible from the confines of our law books and the colonial overdrive of Williamsburg. For those of you who do not have the time to actually leave the metropolis, or for those who are just looking for a quick study break that involves castration, famine, and execution, the latest exhibit at the William and Mary Muscarelle Museum of Art should provide an ample escape from the horrors of law school.

"Goya! Prints by the Spanish Master," features prints and lithographs by the famous 18th century Spanish painter in celebration of his 250th birthday. Goya is best known for his commissioned paintings of Spanish royalty, but his prints offer a much more interesting and revealing side of the artist. The gallery contains over 100 Goya pieces which were hidden from the public in his own time, and published only a half century after his death. Goya used his prints as an outlet for the disillusionment and disgust that he felt towards war-torn Spain and its departure from civility and faith, an intention which easily comes across in the artwork.

The exhibit is comprised of three distinct series of works. The smallest section, "Los Caprichos," is Goya's attempt at political satire. The largest section of the exhibit, "Los Desastres De La Guerra," or, "The Disasters of War," gives the viewer a grisly sense of the horror of Spain's War with Napoleon. The final series, "Los Proverbios," presents dark images of human folly. The strength of the exhibit, both in terms of content and artistic skill, is "Los Desastres." Even if you know nothing of Spanish history, Goya presents agraphic and somber view of the devastation of the war which easily communicates the far-reaching effects of the conflict.

During the artist's time, war was a glorified and exalted occurrence. However, Goya saw the evil side that no previous Spanish artist had dared to reveal. "Los Desastres" also exposes the looting, destruction, and mourning that took place on and off the battlefields.

Goya's small prints are dark and foreboding. Images of mutilated men and women are the subject of almost every piece. Each piece is carefully drawn and heavily shaded. While some prints are clearly detailed and ornate, others are deliberately vague in form in order to impart a sense of the indiscriminate harshness of the violence of war. The hideous expressions and frozen horror on the faces of Goya's figures lend a chaotic sense to the prints, further showing Goya's own disgust toward the war.

With titles such as "A Cruel Shame," and "What Madness," Goya adds words to what he already displays through his artistic representation. One particularly appalling print, "Great Deeds Against the Dead," depicts a tree strewn with dismembered bodies. A severed head is perched on a branch, a pair of arms dangle in the air, and a headless corpse is tied to the tree next to several other mutilated soldiers. As do all of the prints in "Los Desastres." "Great Deeds," gives the viewer an obvious sense of the excesses of war. Another print which really drives this point home is a picture depicting the castration of a naked man by several soldiers, an image which is bound to put a grimace on the face of any male strolling through the gallery.

While the entire Goya exhibition is not as gruesome as these two works suggest, there are virtually no uplifting images in the collection. However, I recommend "Goya! Prints by the Spanish Master," to any willing art aficionado. The Muscarelle Museum of Art is a fantastic university museum.

Aside from the Goya show, there is a small but impressive African Art exhibit that is worth visiting. The Goya prints will be removed on October 13th, and will be replaced by the works of Nell Blaine, a contemporary landscape and still life painter.

Hopefully the Blaine exhibition will provide a more uplifting and aesthetically pleasing opportunity for the culture-deprived law school student. Meanwhile, check out the provocative and poignant works of Goya.

Law Watch

- The truth is stranger than fiction -

Pepsi Drinker Files Suit to Join the Jet Set

John Leonard, a 21-year-old business student, had a dream. He gathered five investors, tossed back a case of Pepsi, and set off to collect his Harrier Jump-Jet from PepsiCo. Yes, you remember the ad: 7,000,000 Pepsi Points for the jet behind the curtain. That's roughly 16.8 million cans of Pepsi, which should have kept the jet well out of reach, except for the fact that PepsiCo allowed customers to purchase additional Pepsi Points for $.10 each. Leonard filed suit August 6, seeking delivery of the jet. PepsiCo defends its ad, saying that it was just a computer-generated scene and that everybody should have known it was a spoof. The Department of Defense adds that neither Pepsi nor Leonard will be able to get one of the limited number of Harrier jets in its service.

Gag Me with Blue Jell-O

Jack Metier of Paso Robles, California, has filed suit against two radio stations, two radio show personalities, a local teenager, and the organizers of the Mid-State Fair over an incident which occurred at a jointly-sponsored talent show. The two on-air personalities allegedly encouraged Brandon MacDonell, whose talent is eating and spitting up gelatin, to aim his act in Metier's direction. Specifically, Metier alleges, "Brandon MacDonell did swallow Jell-O and did intentionally, and with malice and wanton disregard of plaintiff's rights, throw up the Jell-O on the shoulder, down the right arm, stomach area, and right hip and leg of the plaintiff."

The Customer Isn't Always Right

Lou Dinovi, of Hudson Ohio, filed suit against the American League, requesting a temporary restraining order preventing the league from suspending Cleveland Indians player Albert Belle. DiNovi, whose company owns season tickets, claimed that he and other season ticket holders were entitled to see Belle play in the specified games. He later withdrew the suit at the request of Belle, who reportedly just wanted to get the suspension over with so he could play baseball again.

A Kiss on the Hand may be Quite Continental... but kissing in the hallway at Atlantis Elementary School in Fort St. John, Florida, can get your field trip privileges yanked. The ACLU is helping two fifth-graders sue the school after school officials refused them permission to participate in a choral concert at the state capitol when they found out the students had kissed in the school's hallways. The students themselves had raised the money to cover transportation and lodging for the trip.

Do You Believe In Magic?

When Leslie Cowan, a second-grade teacher at a Stafford, Missouri, public school, sent her class home with confidence-boosting "magic rocks" last year, she never imagined it would spawn accusations of occultism and cost her her job. The smooth glass rocks were accompanied by uplifting messages like, "before you put your magic rock away, think of three good things about yourself." The school claims that Cowan was dismissed due to poor performance, but at trial, Cowan's attorney presented a note from the school's principal stating her belief that parents were removing their children from the school over the rock incident. A jury awarded Cowan $18,000 in lost wages; a hearing on her reinstatement is pending.

Technology Corner: The Job Hunt Gets Underway

By Alison Rosenstengel

Over the summer, William and Mary leapt into the cyberage with an extensive revamping of its campus computer resources. M-W jumped on the bandwagon by upgrading computers and networks and debuting its new web pages (http://www.wm.edu/law) to the world at the beginning of August.

The law school's web pages are an important recruitment tool, but also provide useful information to current students, including event calendars and reading lists. The Office of Career Planning and Placement is one of the many departments to have its own corner on the WWW, bringing at least the initial stages of your job hunt right to your computer. To get to OCPP's web pages, either link to 'Career Services' from the M-W's home page or jump directly to http://wartog.cc.wm.edu/law/Career/index.html. From here, you can read about OCPP and its placement summaries, get information for graduates, learn the details on getting NSF funding for next summer, and (perhaps the most important) access OCPP's job board postings. That's right—OCPP has recreated its bulletin board online. Using the password distributed at the beginning of the school year, students can access a firm in different types of job listings that OCPP offers, including Group Mailings, On-Campus Interviewers, Direct Contact Employers, and Judicial Clerkships. Employers are listed by post-date and area, and names, present on the listings are not searchable by geographic area or hiring preferences.

So, you're sitting at home with a list of who's coming—do you then have to trek over to the law school to find out the juice on these employers? Not necessarily. Eventually, of course, you should check the OCPP binder to see exactly what materials the employer has provided the school, but as we move further into the technology age, many law firms and agencies are strutting their stuff online. This enables students to get an inside view into practice areas, hiring criteria, and important notes that the employer handled by a visit to the OCPP for its - TECHNOLOGY on 12.
Robert Littleton

The scene is set: It's about 5 p.m. and you're sitting having afternoon tea with the local druïd discussing the merits of the new law regarding the right to carry concealed cudgels. The news comes through that a rather unpleasant chap by the name of Julius Caesar has just appeared with the first century equivalent of the Desert Storm coalition while your military might was keeping your chariot, and apparently the West Indies cricket team at home. You're off home to complain about the barbarians.

What I Failed To Do This Summer: Think

By Chris Ambrosio

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**The M-W Clubhouse**

By Sue McCue

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PSF conducts several fundraiser throughout the year to support its Summer Fellowship Program. Through the program, PSF provides financial assistance to William & Mary law students who wish to unpaid summer internships with public interest law organizations.

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Please support PSF and its mission by participating in its fund-raising and by patronizing the Gift Shop.

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**A Relaxing Day at Waller Mill Park**

By Dave Riordan

Among the best of Williamsburg's many hidden treasures is Waller Mill Park. It sits on the site of what used to be a working grain mill in the late 18th century. The park consists of a 343 acre lake, a 4.5 mile bike path, and several walking trails, one with a twelve station exercise course. In short, there is something for everyone. The views around the park are breathtaking, especially during fall foliage time.

The lake is clearly the centerpiece of the park. You can rent paddleboats, rowboats, or canoes for $3 per hour. The fishing from a rowboat is excellent. The lake is stocked with striped bass, large-mouthed bass, crappie, blue gill, and several other varieties. You can buy a fishing license at the lake, but be sure to bring your own bait.

Last weekend, my family went fishing out on the lake. Other older lawyers-to-be who are parents can appreciate the value of sure-fire entertainment for toddlers that doesn't involve Barney or Big Bird.

Stress is non-existent as you troll your hands in the water waiting for the excitement of the big one to bite. It really is a wonderful and romantic way to get away from the day-to-day grind of law school. Just don't expect to catch dinner. In three trips, we've managed to catch a few fish, but the largest was barely a foot long and had less meat than a foot-long at a baseball game.

The bicycle path meanders 4.5 miles through the dense woods. The path is not paved, so make sure you have mountain bike tires. There are plenty of rough spots, fallen twigs, and overhanging trees to make it a challenge even for experienced bikers.

If you are a nature lover new to the area, the Bayberry trail is a must-do. It runs 1.5 miles and has about 75 markers explaining many of the different trees, shrubs, and bushes indigenous to this area. You can also get a brochure from the information booth with more detailed information. It makes for a fine introduction to the Peninsula's plant life and will certainly give you some ideas on exotic things for your own garden.

Waller Mill Park is only about 10 miles from the law school on Route 654. (Route 654 is also called Airport Road, which may be confusing because the airport closed twenty years ago.) There are two ways to get to the park. The easiest is to take Richmond Road out past Outback Steakhouse. Look for the small brown Waller Mill Park sign on the right. Alternatively, take I-64 exit 25B. Take Route 132 south and turn right at the first intersection (Rochambeau Drive). Airport Road will be about 1.25 miles on the left. Again, there will be a brown sign for the park.

Pack a nice picnic lunch and take your favorite honey out for a relaxing, beautiful day on the lake.

It sure beats studying for finals. After all, they don't begin for three months.

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**Student Group Plans Third Annual Gay Bash**

By Mike Grable

No, the Amicus has not been taken over by homophobic thugs; rather, the members of the Lesbian and Gay Law Association are hard at work planning this annual fiesta. Well, actually, I'm hard at work planning it. OK, I'm feeling really guilty about the fact that I haven't yet had even an organizational meeting for LGLA this year. I've remedied that, however, by scheduling the meeting for Wednesday Oct. 2, at 7 p.m. in Room 124.

The LGLA is a group of law students interested in the relationship between sexuality and the law. We are open to all Marshall-Wythe Law students and pledge not to discriminate against hetero students based on their sexual orientation.

The LGLA is generally committed to raising awareness of the issues facing the gay community at M-W; we would be committed to raising awareness of issues facing the lesbian community as well, but as far as we can tell hasn't been an out lesbian at the law school since 1995. We talk about lesbians anyway, of course, and hope to discover a few on campus soon; i.e., all of this talk of lesbians is not just a pathetic ruse to increase our straight male membership.

On a more serious note, recent LGLA successes include lobbying the administration to actually include sexual orientation in the non-discrimination pledge that on-campus employers must accept. We also have hosted or co-hosted speakers ranging from Duke University Law Professor Jerome Culp, an expert on anti-gay ballot initiatives, to New York Law Professor Nadine Strossen, a leading gay rights supporter and the National President of the ACLU.

We plan to be very involved in the planning of the 1997 Bill of Rights Student Symposium on the military's Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy, as well.

The LGLA is affiliated with the National LGLA and the William and Mary Gay & Lesbian Alumni/ae (GALA). Last year, we hosted the NLGLA Regional Conference and sent several representatives to GALA's Homecoming Weekend parties and meetings. The LGLA has also worked to forge strong relationships with other student groups; for two years running, we have cosponsored kegs on the patio with Mary & William, BLSA, and the Jewish Law Students Association.

We also have strong ties to the administration as our most noteworthy supporters are Dean Thomas Krattenmaker and Vice Dean Jayne Barnard.

We really do take our non-discrimination pledge seriously, and we invite any interested straight students to come to one of our meetings.

To paraphrase Anita Bryant: The LGLA: it's just not for gays anymore.

**Host of Bar Review**

Thursday, September 26
More Tales of Summer - PSF Style

Kids Are People Too

This past summer, I interned at the Brooklyn office of the Juvenile Rights Division of the Legal Aid Society of New York. The Juvenile Rights Division ("JRD") is one of the country's leading organizations in the field of child advocacy. The Division represents children in the five Family Courts in New York City. Nearly 85 percent of the case load deals with child protective cases such as child abuse, neglect, termination of parental rights, and adoption. The other 15 percent of the caseload involves juvenile delinquency proceedings which are quasi-criminal in nature.

Thus, this summer I worked as both child protector and defense attorney.

As an intern, I assisted JRD attorneys (called "law guardians") with various aspects of cases. My duties ranged from conducting client and witness interviews and reviewing discovery material to preparing direct and cross-examination questions and drafting closing statements. I drafted motions and answers to motions. I also was allowed to make courtroom appearances on the record, arguing motions and entering pleas on behalf of our clients. When the caseload permitted, I undertook legal research and writing projects. My caseload included arguing for the best interest of children who had been abused or neglected as well as defending children under the age of sixteen accused of committing crimes including, but not limited to, graffiti, robbery, assault, sexual abuse of children, rape, and murder.

Needless to say, emotions often ran high. The toughest moment of my internship came while I was sitting second-seat during the cross-examination of a six year old girl allegedly abused by our fourteen year old client and she burst into tears. I'll never forget the way her parents and brother looked at me. My supervisor reminded me that our client child was entitled to a defense no matter what and she was right but it didn't make it any easier for me or for my supervisor who had been doing this for ten years. It was great to work with dedicated women and men who after years of working in the Family Court, were not jaded and burnt out.

Working as a summer intern for the JRD was, in some respects, the culmination of my legal objectives. After a long history of public service spanning from pre-high school to the present, I decided to attend law school to become a child advocate. Child advocacy, to me, is currently the most important public interest area - not only because every issue which affects children, but because there are currently not enough attorneys to dedicate themselves to public interest. Thanks to the Public Service Fund, I did not need to worry about economics for the summer, leaving me more time to focus on my cases and the needs of my clients.

- Tosha Foster

Richmond Legal Aid

A bunch of chuckleheads in Congress decided recently that "radical" attorneys in Legal Aid offices were using frivolous class action suits to advance leftist ideals at the expense of the taxpayers. Consequently, they passed a provision forbidding Legal Aid attorneys from bringing any class action suits. Maybe this type of abuse goes on at other Legal Aid offices, but, from my brief experience at Central Virginia Legal Aid this summer, it seemed to me that most Legal Aid attorneys are too busy with legitimate cases to be worried about bringing time-consuming, frivolous lawsuits.

Thanks to the Public Service Fund, I spent part of my summer working for Central Virginia Legal Aid Society in Richmond. I had heard from several people that if you were looking for a place where you were given as much responsibility as you could handle, Legal Aid was the place. I wasn't disappointed.

The Richmond Legal Aid office has approximately nine full time attorneys on staff. The office serves lower income clients in such areas as housing, elder care, employment benefits, and consumer affairs. I split my time working for two attorneys, one of whom handled mostly housing issues and the other who dealt with social security and elderly clients (if you have a particular area of interest, you can make a request). Most summer interns are given the chance to represent a client before an administrative judge.

From the first day on, I got to handle things I wasn't sure I was capable of handling. Fortunately, I don't think there are any malpractice suits pending (thank you, Legal Skills). Under the supervision of an attorney, I interviewed clients, drafted pleadings, and basically did whatever legwork the attorneys needed done. Not having worked in a legal office prior to law school, this was my first opportunity to see exactly what it is lawyers really do.

At the risk of sounding like a public service announcement, the experience helped to reaffirm my faith that lawyers can actually make a difference in the day to day lives of people without resorting to multi-million dollar slip and fall cases. For example, on my next to last day, I was able to get the Richmond Public Works Department to issue a refund check to an elderly lady who had been ripped off by her landlord into paying the electric bill for both her apartment and her upstairs neighbor for nearly two years. It didn't take any great legal strategy on my part, and frankly anyone could have done it if they had taken the time. Thanks to PSF, I had the time and it felt good to actually see my efforts pay off.

- Alex Long

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Welfare Reform: Control Or Compassion? 
Republicans Have Gone Too Far, Forgetting The Purpose Of Welfare 

Christian Mastondrea

"There, but for the grace of God, go I." Those used to be words to live by. Today, it's "Those lazy vultures look how they suck our tax dollars down a sink hole. Yes, that's right, the Congress has finally managed to take a remarkable step into the early 1920's. With help from Wild Bill Clinton, history was made and a million or so children were earmarked for a life of fun below the official poverty line. 

Nastiness and division are the two key themes in modern American politics. The fact that a Democratic President should be part of this rape of the social security net is even more disappointing. The sixty plus years of the New Deal ideal's of the great Franklin Roosevelt have been turned aside for what is in fact a Social Darwinist approach. The history of welfare in this country stems from a time of great poverty, when most of the Nation lived in rural shacks, with no electricity and running water. Admittedly, some of the system had been stuck in a virtual time warp as well, in desperate need of reform. This proposal simply is not the answer. The meaness of this bill is overshadowed only by the stupidity of it. Punishing children for the indiscretions of the parent is simply reprehensible. How can a single mother of two, the average welfare family, find and keep a low-earning job when she cannot afford health and child care? Many people can not afford to live on the minimum wage paid for their limited work skills. No one with half a brain would have an extra child on welfare to get the extra cash because the increase in monthly allowance is smaller than the increased cost of the child. Now to discourage a problem that most sociologists said never really existed, we will punish the children by allowing no extra money at all. The five year lifetime cap on receiving benefits is the scariest factor of them all. Many of these people are not capable of making a job, or more likely a job will simply never be there. That happens if you lose the job through no fault of your own. There is some form of possible income subsidy that may kick in for a period of years. What happens when that time runs out? If you support two rug rats on $5.25 an hour. How much $6.25 an hour? It cannot be done!

Let us not forget that even a capitalist Supply sider will talk in terms of the minimum level of unemployment being about 2 percent. That is the rate that unemployment ran at given an economy with full employment. For too long the debate on welfare has focused on the idea that this is a vicious cycle of poverty caused by the system designed to alleviate it. Let's look at it from another angle. Let us assume that poverty is, in fact, the vicious cycle that begets more poor, and evil if a job is not lost to the recipient people at a tolerable level of existence. Without this crucial safety net, what organizations shall take up the work of helping the poor? The largest charity in the United States is Catholic Charities of America who has concluded that all of these changes in the law could lead to a required doubling of its operating size, a feat few believe is possible. The lesson learned reluctantly by FDR was that some problems are so large that only the Federal Government has the size to handle them. I do not believe that the states are inherently evil but their record on the matter is less than impressive. The states had a chance in the early part of this century and they dropped the ball. I do not believe that the block grants that this legislation proposes will convert such systems into a virtual time warp as well, in desperate need of reform. The plan itself is a package of hate and xenophobia. The 104th Congress has cut off legal immigrants from aid. These are people who pay taxes the same as the rest of us! Most people seem to think that this was a huge part of the budget, but my understanding was that cash in kind social service made up not more than 3 or 4 percent of the federal budget.

I will believe the promises when I see them. The Congress has said "Get off the dole and get a job." Well great, of course the welfare rolls will go down because even if a job is not lost to the recipient, they will be thrown off. I am not opposed to workfare, but the government would have to be prepared to provide jobs to those who could not find them. The market is not omnipotent; that "hand" may lift some up, but it also has the ability to crush people as well. Many of these people don't want to be on the dole, most don't know what they can do, and most are clearly only marginally employable. What has happened to our sense of community? Any one of us could find ourselves in this level of desperation. I hope we can live with those one million extra children in poverty, and I hope you enjoy your $25 tax cut.

Michael Coe

"Welfare programs must contribute to the attack on family breakdown and illegitimacy. Unless such problems are dealt with effectively, they fester, and grow, sapping the strength of society as a whole and extending their consequences in troubled families from one generation to the next." - John F. Kennedy

The welfare system prior to the passage of Republican welfare bill was a disaster. It trapped the poor it was designed to help in a debilitating cycle of dependency, subsidized and created incentives for familial dysfunction, and discouraged the very behavior necessary to rise out of poverty and into self-sufficiency. Among the most despairing effects of this system were the incentives for illegitimacy, divorce, and non-work. Irrespective of the good intentions of the initiators of the original welfare programs, the perverse results of what followed are undeniable. President Kennedy acknowledged that welfare "as we know it" contributes to family breakdown and illegitimacy.

The impetus for reforming welfare is first and foremost to ensure that those on the lowest rungs of America's socio-economic ladder get what they need to reach self-sufficiency. A secondary, but significant concern, is to make certain that America's taxpaying citizenry is getting more "bang for its buck." The myriad of 77 overlapping and sometimes conflicting welfare programs has been an extraordinarily expensive and complicated way of failing at this original task. In 1965, welfare absorbed around 1.5 percent of GNP when Lyndon Johnson launched the War on Poverty; without reform, welfare was predicted to consume 6 percent of the GNP by 1999. This quadrupling of the percentage of national resources spent might be defensible if the programs worked instead of making matters worse. They don't work and it isn't defensible.

The author of the companion piece will agree that the previous welfare system had burgeoned into an uncontrolled monster which ruined the lives of its dependent citizens and set the ability to break free from its master. Everyone agrees that welfare reform was necessary. Surprisingly, even President Clinton agrees, after being swayed back to the substance of his 1992 campaign rhetoric by unfor­ giving critics of his policies. Those who advocate a Republican bill, whether for politics (Congressman Charlie Rangel) or principle

"In 1965, welfare absorbed around 1.5 percent of GNP when Lyndon Johnson launched the War on Poverty; without reform, welfare was predicted to consume 6 percent of the GNP by 1999." (Senator Daniel P. Moynihan), agree that something had to be done. The recently signed Welfare Reform bill may not be perfect and it may even exacerbate some short-term problems, but it is undoubtedly a step in the right direction.

In a broad sense, the welfare reform bill seeks to do four things: (1) reduce illegitimacy; (2) demand reciprocity and work; (3) promote moral renewal; and (4) control costs. First, the social science literature is unanimous in its observation that children born out of wedlock are at a serious disadvantage in life. By 1991, 61 percent of poor families with children were headed by single women.

Second, by demanding work and reciprocity, welfare recipients are given aid and are expected to contribute to society for the given assistance. Instead of a one way handout from the state, we enter into a relationship of mutual responsibility with those we help.

Third, by encouraging moral behavior from the recipient (marriage, work, education) and activism from private social institutions, the welfare bill should help re-establish the behavioral poverty which plagued our recent efforts. Behavioral poverty includes citizens justifying inaction in local social institutions in the belief that they already 'paid' the government to take care of the problem and the recipients' eroded work ethic and dependency, lack of educational aspiration and achievement, inability or unwillingness to control one's children, criminal activity, and drug/alcohol abuse.

Finally, in these days of exploding debt and huge deficits, federal spending must be reduced, in welfare as in other programs. 

The Welfare reform was needed and necessary. Here, everyone agrees. No one is certain exactly what works and where it will work. Congress chose a wise approach. First, set down the general principles about what a welfare program should do, then get out of the way. Some claim that we won't be spending enough, but spending has never been a measure of effective welfare in the past.

By making the legal space and proper incentives available to the states to create innovative and effective approaches to welfare, we have finally taken a step towards sanity.
Pinhead Gunpowder For Everyone; REM Goes Big Time Corporate

By Dov Szego

Pinhead Gunpowder: Jump Salty

This album isn't particularly new; it came out in 1994. The songs on it are older than that, mostly from various compilations and 7 inch releases by the band since 1991. The band never got big, they don't tour, and none of their albums have ever gone Gold, much less platinum. They were never reviewed by Maximum Rock 'n Roll (which none of you have ever heard of) or a Jane Fonda workout tape, bend your knees, rest your knees against your elbows, little bounces with your buttocks. One... two... three... four. There's a little story about some homeless guy watering plants growing in through the sidewalk. All this over driven power chords, and the usual solid rhythm section. Nobody does it better. "It's my Armageddon scheme. It's my twisted future dream. It's right around the corner, just you wait and see."

The lyrics on this album come primarily from the mind of Cometbus. He shed light on his sociopolitical views with such songs as "Freedom is..." "We're stripped of human dignity, forced to live in poverty, 'cuz in this land of the 'free' our land has shrunk. We're why the company, the land slaves to the property, 'cuz in this land of the 'free' our knees, rest your knees against your elbows, little bounces with your buttocks."

"The music is any less complex or interesting than previous efforts; however, the band distances itself from the more technologically based, "new age-esque" Monster. Stipe uses virtually no vocal effects—his overdrive pedal, the maracas return; in short, New Adventures is almost what you might call "old-school" REM.

There are two particularly interesting things about this album. First of all, the songs were recorded with various crews in various studios, in various cities across the country. Perhaps I have a good imagination, but it seems to me that songs recorded in one place sound different from others, but somewhat similar to each other (notably, the Seattle tracks seem to be the more distortion reliant, harder songs). The other interesting thing about New Adventures is the incredible list of instruments used. Sounds as common as the guitar and as unusual as the electric sitar, the bozoku, the ennio whistle, the arab-odyssey, the farfisa, the mellotron, the autoharp, and the guiro all find homes in the REM sound. I have to admit that even with a dictionary, I don't know what all those instruments are.

As a cursory overview, the disk is pretty good. It's not the best, it's not a classic, but it's pretty good. It certainly covers a wide range of tempos, dynamics, and lyrical topics, and there are no particularly bad songs (I hate instrumental though, and "rither is one"). Make no mistake, New Adventures is clearly REM, and it would clearly appeal to REM fans, but the rest of us can't handle REM for very long.

The best song on the album "New Test Leper" could easily have fit in on Document, or even Green. Slow, deliberate lyrics and melody. Stipe's near-patented "I'm a reject" content, and a plethora of instrumental sounds and flavors characterize this classic REM. REM uses primarily acoustic guitar and a near-syncope to the beat to create a tune that is almost infectious in its simplicity; this
Agents Bring Good Vibe To W&M Campus

By Melissa A. Augusti

Agents of Good Roots, a band out of Richmond, Virginia, visited William & Mary's campus on Saturday, September 14th. They performed for a sold-out crowd in Lodge One of the University Center. The band includes lead singer and guitarist, Andrew Winn from Roanoke, and saxophonist J.C. Kuhl from Baltimore. The drummer, Brian Jones, is from Pitts­burg and graduated from the University of Richmond in 1995, and Stewart Myers, a William & Mary alumnus from Roanoke, plays bass. Haven’t heard of ’em? Don’t worry…you will.

For all you Wahoo alumni, Agents of Good Roots has taken over Dave Matthews’ old stomping grounds, playing at Trax in Charlottesville every Tuesday night and at the Floodzone in Richmond every Wednesday night. They are handled by Red Light Management, and although these four have only been together a year, they’ve already released one album, “Where’d You Get That Vibe?” and have temporarily turned down an offer to sign with RCA records. Why? Winn explains that they’re young and they have got time. “We’re all only 23 years old. Right now we just want to concentrate on writing good music and getting better as musicians.” Indeed, a rare element to this young band is that each one of them on his own is a talented musician. No one or two members carry the band’s success. Not only do they all help write the songs, but they all perform lead vocals. One fan doesn’t get a kick out of such variety. “It’s great watching the audience taking a moment to figure out who in the world is singing before they notice Brian Jones piping his vocals from behind the drums.” Jones gets down and funky on the title track, “Where’d You Get That Vibe?” and Stewart Myers, the saxophonist, gets light and loose with his vocals on “Straight,” an upbeat lyrical maze which tells the story of a girl who’s not so fine inside. But still, official lead singer Winn, who received a Master’s degree in Classical Guitar from VCU, is known and favored by the crowd for his deep, raspy vocals which manage to flavor any melody with a hint of blues and soul. The secret to Winn’s mysterious vocals is actually attributed to a freak accident. When Winn was fourteen years old his family went on a skiing trip. During one of their outings, Winn found himself skiing too closely to a row of telephone poles. He lifted his ski pole in a reflex motion to keep himself from hitting one of the telephone poles. Winn ended up stabbing the telephone pole with his ski pole. As a result, his momentum carried him into the opposite end of the ski pole and Winn was pierced in the throat. He underwent surgery to sew his vocal chords back together and voila, a signature singing voice was born. Winn laughingly admits the incident was the best career move he ever made.

So now to the question: what’s their sound like? Drummer Brian Jones offers one description: “We’re a rock-n-roll band with a motown, 60’s jazz vibe. It’s soul music.” Among all the new young jazzy, funky, folkly, alternative, and the most recently coined “electro-coustic” bands, who knows what the great dividing line is? I just happen to think that listening to Agents is like a good feeling that taps you inside and asks you to dance. So if you’re up for that chilled-out, dim-roomed, sway-ing-to-moody rhythms-with-a-good-feel-ing-inside-type of night, Agents of Good Roots is definitely worth a drive to Richmond’s Floodzone to check out, or a visit to any other club you might happen to come upon them. Having just finished performing on the Horde tour and now playing the club scene with familiar names such as John Popper, Gibb Drell, They Might Be Giants, and Everything, the opportunity to see them may come sooner than you think.

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Spending An Evening Feeling Minnesota

By Lee Ranieri

Despite the title, Feeling Minnesota is not an obscure take-off on Raising Arizona. It is, nonetheless, full of unpleasant characters who do all sorts of unpleasant things in unpleasant places. Which is not to say that Feeling Minnesota is a bad movie. Actually, I was pleasantly surprised by it.

The film starts out with a woman in a wedding dress being chased around the middle of nowhere by a car full of thugs. The explanation for this clichéd weirdness is that one of the thugs is a small-town crime boss named Red (Delroy Lindo), and the woman he’s after, Freddie (Cameron Diaz), has stolen ten thousand dollars from him. I assumed Red was running Freddie down in order to serve a complaint on her for a conversion lawsuit, but Feeling Minnesota is full of surprises. Apparently, Red has decided to punish Freddie by forcing her to marry his bookkeeper, Sam (Vincent D’Onofrio). Why in the world would a man with a bookkeeping deficiency, and apparently a problem with some visual problems, want to marry a woman? I couldn’t imagine this was a good idea beyond me.

Alas, Freddie and Sam are star-crossed lovers, and their marriage is doomed to failure. Shortly after the ceremony, the first signs of marital strife appear: on the horizon Freddie has sex with Sam’s brother on a dirty bathroom floor during “reception” (a few beers on a tree stump and a louche and booby in the back yard). In retrospect, though, this is not so much of a surprise. Sam is a big, awkward, menacing oaf whom Freddie hates, and the twist probably the only likable part of the film is Sam, played by Vincent D’Onofrio. Why in the world would a man with a bookkeeping deficiency, and apparently a problem with some visual problems, want to marry a woman? I couldn’t imagine this was a good idea beyond me.

Despite the title, Feeling Minnesota also has a problem with some visual clichés: there’s a few obligatory John Woo-handgun-stands-off, cars going off cliffs, and an ending that’s just too tidy. The strengths of the film make these sins forgivable, though (well, except for the casting of Reeves). One of the problems is Keanu Reeves. He really has no range at all. To be fair, though, he can shift from Vacant to Vacanty Intense pretty convincingly. Feeling Minnesota also has a problem with some visual clichés; there’s a few obligatory John Woo-handgun-stands-off, cars going off cliffs, and an ending that’s just too tidy. The strengths of the film make these sins forgivable, though (well, except for the casting of Reeves). One of the problems is Keanu Reeves. He really has no range at all. To be fair, though, he can shift from Vacant to Vacanty Intense pretty convincingly.

Video Pick of the Week: 12 Monkeys

If you’re familiar with director Terry Gilliam’s other films, The Fisher King and Brazil, you’ll probably like 12 Monkeys. Bruce Willis tries his hand at some actual acting and does fairly well in this sci-fi/fantasy that deals with themes of perception, reality, and time. In case you ever get tired of renting The Paper Chase, try this one.
Monday, September 23
Faculty Favorites Film Series: Judy Ewell of the History Department introduces "Viva Zapata!" at 8 p.m. in the Tucker Theatre. Free.

Register to Vote: At the University Center between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., for more information call 220-6157. If you don't vote, you can't complain - so guarantee your right to bitch, go register to vote!

Tuesday, September 24
Barry Sheek: speaks on the "Power of DNA Evidence in the Courtroom" to the Virginia State Crime Commission in Richmond at 10 a.m. at the General Assembly Building at 9th and Broad Street.

Wednesday, September 25
Phi Alpha Delta: Hosts an Ice Cream Social on the law school patio at 12:45 p.m., please come out and them.

Lunch with the President: W&M's President Tim Sullivan holds an informal luncheon with students at 12 noon at his home on the main campus. Call Gail Sears at x1693 or send her an email at gsears@facstaff.wm.edu for reservations. Later dates include October 18, November 7, and November 25.

Thursday, September 26
Register to Vote: At the University Center between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Fall Intramural Golf Tournament: Deadline for entries, two-person teams, sign up at the Rec Center front desk, 221-3314 for more info. The tournament will be on Friday, September 27 at the Colonial Golf Course, a $15 fee includes 18-hole greens fee, cart, soft drinks and food.

Register to Vote: At the University Center between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Friday, September 27
Criminal Law, raspberries and wine: Gail Sears will host the defenders of our country.

Saturday, September 28
Cross Country: Women's and men's vs. Pennsylvania, 1 p.m. Watch other people run a long way.

Sunday, September 29
Warner vs. Warner: Incumbent Senator John Warner and Democratic challenger Mark Warner debate at the University Center at 8 p.m. Tickets should be requested from the Office of University Events at 221-1365, but at press time they are rumored to be sold out. The debate will be televised by all of Virginia's public broadcasting stations, with a national debate between Congressional leaders to follow at 9 p.m.

Field Hockey: vs. Old Dominion, 5 p.m.

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Wednesday, October 2
Fall From Grace Tickets Go On Sale: The fall semi-formal dance sponsored by the SBA will be held at Trinkle Hall in the Campus Center. Tickets go on sale in the law school lobby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursdays. Tickets will be $10 on the first two days of sales, then $12 until the day before the dance, then $15 at the door. Ticket price includes the great DJ, hors-d'oeuvres, and all beverages.

Sunday, October 6
Café. Tickets are sold at the door or in advance at the box office, call 221-2674 between 1-6 p.m. M-F, or between 1-4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Bar Review: B.M. Randall's, 7-9 p.m.

Friday, October 18
Fall From Grace: The annual fall semi-formal dance sponsored by the SBA will be held at Trinkle Hall in the Campus Center. Tickets go on sale in the law school lobby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursdays beginning on Monday, September 30. Tickets will be $10 on the first two days of sales, then $12 until the day before the dance, then $15 at the door. Ticket price includes the great DJ, hors-d'oeuvres, and all beverages. Come out and enjoy the fun!

Muscarelle Exhibit: An exhibit of Neil Blaine's later work will open with a reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The show will be up until December 1.

Bar Review: Pitchers, at the Marriott on McLawns Circle, 7-9 p.m.

Friday, October 25
Supreme Court Preview: Sponsored by the Institute of Bill of Rights Law, under the very capable direction of our Professor Paul Marcus. Law Students are encouraged to attend. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a moot court argument of the Clinton v. Jones case; 8:00 p.m. a discussion of "What Do the Supreme Court's Opinions Over the Past 5 Years Tell Us About Future Decisionmaking by the Court?"

Saturday, October 26
Supreme Court Preview Continues: Hear leading law professors, the Acting U.S. Solicitor General, and distinguished members of the press discuss possible developments in this year's session of the Supreme Court; 9 a.m. Civil Rights, 10 a.m. Business, Commerce & Property; 11 a.m. First Amendment, 1:30 p.m. Voting Rights, 2:30 Criminal Law, and 3:30 p.m. Federalism.

PSF Casino Night: Come out and support a great cause! Help the Public Service Fund raise money for student internships with public interest legal charities. Play blackjack, roulette, craps and wheel of fortune. There will be a DJ, beverages, snacks, and raffle prizes. Tickets are $12 at the door, $10 in advance, and $8 for volunteers.

"Why pay to snarf milk when the label will cram the whole cow up your nose for free?" There's nothing so important about this album that you need to feed the corporate machine with your fourteen bucks.
Stitch Center

O Puck, Canada Gets Beaten At Its Own Game

By Mike "Stitch" Melz

What's big news in sports these days? Well, it depends on who you ask. Football fans will talk about the beginning of both the college and NFL seasons; just don't bother calling them on Saturday or Sunday afternoons unless you have a wide screen TV with surround sound. (By the way, I'm a football fan, so feel free.) Baseball fans are getting ready for the playoffs as their teams continue jockeying for first place in their respective divisions. Don't bother calling a hard-core baseball fan either; unless you've taken a course in probability and statistics, (My reaction is, to paraphrase Chevy Chase, I was told there would be no math . . .) Finally, hockey fans are celebrating a victory that most sports fans don't even know about — more on this later.

By the time you read this article, the biggest game in the young college football season will already have been played. Danny Wuerfell and Peyton Manning will have gunned it out already in Knoxville, with the winner taking an early Heisman lead. Of course, I'm talking about Florida at Tennessee. By the way, Tennessee's stadium holds over 100,000 people! Don't be surprised if this game factors into determining not only the SEC champion but also the national championship.

Turning to the pros, it's a tale of two seasons, one just beginning while the other just beginning to end. Since my last article, some fans out there (and you know who you are) have pointed out to me that the Redskins are 2-1 while the Cowboys are 1-2 after giving up an 18 point lead to the Cowboys, led by "Captain Comeback." Jim Harbaugh. All I have to say is: the season is still new and I'm sticking with the Cowboys. (Heart of a champion, baby!) As for baseball, however, the season is old and the playoff picture is becoming clearer. (For those who aren't big fans, the season is very old.) Cleveland has already clinched the AL Central Division with the best record in the Major Leagues while Atlanta is still on top of the NL despite a recent losing streak. New York and Baltimore continue fighting it out for first place in the AL East, with the loser most likely claiming the wild card spot. The best race, however, is in the NL West, as San Diego and L.A. battle back and forth. For San Diego, the last time these guys didn't suck, Steve Garvey was hitting home runs off NL pitching and the ladies in the stands.

Now back to hockey. About a week ago, the U.S. beat Canada 5-2 in the final game of the best-of-three World Cup Hockey finals. By the way, these weren't a bunch of college kids or amateur hot-shot playing, these were the pros, the best in the world. Representing the Canadians was a team consisting of Gretzky, Lemaieux, Lindros, and Messier, among others. U.S. goalie Mike Richter led the Americans with a spectacular performance, making 35 saves. Of course, this is the worst thing to hit Canada since Bob and Doug MacKenzie went their separate ways.

Needless to say, Canada is currently in a state of shock. The Great One himself, Wayne Gretzky, was quoted as saying, "It's probably a crushed country . . . It's a hard loss to swallow. It's devastating." A few days later, Canada invented the game in the 1890's. Hockey is part of their national identity. Now what's left? Ice and snow, of course, along with Mounties, Canadian bacon, and a large population of French speakers who can't get along with anybody. Even The Kids in the Hall have split up.

But in the grand scheme of things, have the Canadians really lost? After all, their sport has won over a new generation of American fans. The NHL has successfully expanded to many southern U.S. cities. Hockey jerseys have become popular apparel among American youth. In addition, with the advent of in-line skates (based on my experience, I like to call them devices of death), kids are playing hockey without having to have an ice rink.

For example, in my neighborhood, when I was growing up we sometimes played baseball or football in the street if we didn't feel like getting to an open field. Now, when I'm at home, I see kids playing hockey instead. And I don't live in Minneapolis (thank goodness); I live in a small city south of Richmond. The upright neighbors nightmare of seeing a kid with a baseball and a bat out on the street has been replaced by seeing kids with hockey sticks skating around their parked cars. (Crazy kids. I blame that crazy rock and roll music!)

Nevertheless, Americans should take note of what has happened to our neighbors to the North and the sport they invented. Sooner or later, one of our dream teams is going to get beat and then we will be in a state of shock. Yes, folks, as improbable as it seems, I'm talking about basketball. Sure American kids are playing hockey, but like kids all over the world, Canadian kids are playing basketball. (Compliments of NAFTA?)

As evidenced by the NBA's tremendous international popularity and the rise of foreign basketball talent, such as Steve Nash and David Benoit (I don't know where he's from, but he sure sounds Canadian.)

The world is playing more basketball and slowly closing the gap on the U.S. In baseball, the gap is not only closing, but expanding the other way. Doug Flutie ruled the Canadian League, so football is safe.

Maybe Canada might not be the team to beat us first, but don't think Canadians aren't dreaming of the day when some trash-talking young phenom tells Anfernee Hardaway to take off, eh! or calls Grant Hill a hooser while leading Canada to a world championship or an Olympic gold medal.

It's not going to happen anytime soon; I'm just saying don't be too shocked when it does.

W&M Sports Roundup

Tribe Football Posts Two Straight Victories

By Kristan Burch

FOOTBALL

Afer losing its opening game of the season, the Tribe captured victories in its next two contests, beating Rhode Island and VMI. On Sept. 7, W&M traveled to Kingston, Rhode Island where it handed the Rams their first loss of the season. The Tribe was able to overcome the rain and turn in its first Yankee Conference win of the season. W&M was the first team on the scoreboard, scoring a touchdown in the first quarter off a 12-yard run by Sean McDermott. In the second quarter, the W&M defense took charge, pinning the Rams deep in their own territory and eventually scoring a safety to raise the W&M lead to 9-0.

By the end of the third quarter, the Rams had tied the score at 9, but, behind the strong arm of quarterback Mike Cook, the Tribe was able to move ahead for good in the fourth quarter. Cook threw two touchdown passes in the fourth quarter, connecting with Tim Leedy and Josh Whipple. The Rams were able to put seven more points on the board, but it was too little, too late, as the Tribe prevailed 23-16.

In its first home contest of the season, W&M faced VMI Sept. 14 at Zable Stadium where it defeated the Keydets, 40-21. The Tribe scored twice in the first quarter, with a touchdown reception by Billy Commons and a one yard run by Tim Witcher. VMI recorded a touchdown in the second quarter to set the score at 14-7 by the half of the end. After intermission, sloppy play by the Tribe led to two W&M touchdowns, as the Keydets pulled to a 21-21 tie. Going into the fourth quarter W&M took control, scoring 19 unanswered points.

The scoring frenzy in the fourth quarter began with a field goal from Brian Shallcross. Followed up by a 19 yard touchdown pass from Cook to Dave Conklin. After Shallcross added another field goal, the final blow came from Alvin Porch on a 67 yard run for another touchdown.

MEN'S SOCCER

After five games, the Tribe has accumulated a winning record of 3-2-1, having yet to face off against a Colonial Athletic Association opponent. The weekend of Sept. 7, W&M split its weekend series of away games, beating O geata State, 3-0, before falling to Hartwick, 4-1. These two matches were part of the Mayor's Cup that was hosted in O geata, N.Y. Forward Vaughn Hughes moved into fifth on the W&M all-time scoring list when he netted the first two goals against O geata State, bringing his career point total to 78.

Forward Rob Bryden gave the Tribe its third goal when he found the net in the second half for his first career goal for the Tribe. Despite out shooting Hartwick in the Sunday game, 16-13, the Tribe was unable to recover from the two goal lead when Hartwick took the lead at the beginning of the second half.

A similar weekend split was achieved Sept. 11-13 when W&M hosted the Papa John's Nike Tribe Classic. The Tribe downed Vanderbilt, 5-3, but was then overpowered by UNC Wilmington, losing 2-1. Against Vanderbilt, freshman Gabe Valencia made his first start as a W&M player and immediately proved his ability, scoring the first two W&M goals early in the first half. Wade Barrett added another Tribe goal before intermission, leaving the score at 3-2 at the break. Hughes and Barrett each scored again in the second half to secure the Tribe victory.

Against the Spartans, W&M again was the first team to find the net, with Hughes getting credit for the goal, but Luke Jamroz responded for UNC Wilmington by scoring the next two goals. Jamroz went on to win the Tournament MVP award for his stellar play and three goals during the Classic. For W&M, this 1-1 weekend record was good enough to earn the Tribe a second place finish in the Classic.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

See W&M SPORTS on
In their first game, the Briefs destroyed the competition 19-1. With an early 5 run lead, the game was momentarily stopped in order to hand out complimentary hard-hats, then the shelling continued.

**Back-to-back-to-back hom runers** by Sean don’t squeeze the Ducharme, Ken Mayheiu live long and prosper, and intimi- Nate Green finished off the shell shocked under-grads as the game was called on account of the slaughter rule.

In their second game, the Briefs, winners of seven in a row dating back to last year, got their first taste of the bitter fruit from their second game, the Briefs were retired in order as shots from Kiefer, Ed oldtime Haughy eh coach, and Mayheiu, became cans of corn for the barely visible outfield. In their half of the inning, Tighe’s Thugs were able to take advantage. Jim McMahon-o-man, who was still drunk with the joy of having a new baby daughter, or he just may have been drunk, allowed multiple hom runers and gave this group of known communists the lead 5-0.

The Briefs were able to chip away and in the sixth took the lead on a green pop fly which dropped in because the center fielder was playing closer to Paul’s than to Busch Field. Unfortunately, fate was not smiling on the valiant Briefs as the Thugs were able to push two across in the bottom of the sixth. Not to worry Briefs, losing builds character. Yeah right, loosing sucks I say.

**VOLLEYBALL**

The volleyball team hosted the Hi-Q Classic Sept. 6-7 at William & Mary Hall, and as a result of its three victories in two days, the Tribe came away with the title. Despite trailing 14-10 to Northwestern in the first game of the Classic, W&M worked together to pull out a 16-14 victory. The Tribe went on to win two of the next three games against the Wildcats, taking the match 3-1. W&M next faced Bowling Green, with the Tribe squeaking out a 3-2 victory.

The Tribe won the first game easily, but gave up the next two games. W&M was able to pull it back together in the 4th and 5th games, and came out with a hard fought victory. The third of W&M’s opponents in the Classic was Delaware. The Tribe quickly disposed of the Blue Hens in three games to set their overall record at 3-0.

The Tribe extended its winning streak to four matches when it beat George Washington on Sept. 13. The match went to five games, with W&M winning the second, third, and fifth games, taking the final game 17-15.

The Tribe finished off its weekend road trip with a 3-0 loss at the hands of Maryland.
BAR REVIEW

BAGEL DAY  Stop by for Free bagels

Thursday
Sept. 26th
8am - 2pm