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**Krattenmaker promises more personal computers, space**

By **SHELLEY EVANS**

Dean-in-waiting Thomas Krattenmaker returned to M-W on March 29 to meet with about 30 students in an informal question-and-answer session.

According to Acting Dean Paul Marcus, the light turnout could be attributed to the fact that the choice of Krattenmaker as Dean "was not a controversial decision." Or it could be the fact that the sun finally began to shine earlier that afternoon.

Krattenmaker began by thanking the student body for their vote of confidence and outlining a number of the things he promised to work on during his tenure. "I don't want it to be a big faculty. Right now I sense that it's too small--for the curriculum and for diversity regarding the type of person you see up on the podium." When later asked about his wish to broaden the curriculum and make more use of adjuncts, Krattenmaker also hopes to work on expanding the size of the full-time faculty.

"I'll be dropping a memo to the M-W Honor Code passed by the student body for their vote of confidence with about 113 votes to Patten's 96. Patterson's first job as incoming president will be filling the numerous SBA committee positions and Judicial Council positions which are appointed by the President. Patterson hopes to have most of those appointments made within the next ten days.

"I'm also going to ask the current committee chairs who the hard workers on their committees are," she said. Patterson said she chose to run for President from a desire to see the SBA continue to become a more visible aspect of student life at M-W. "I noticed a really big difference between the SBA last year and the SBA this year, especially with the implementation of some of [former SBA-President] Kyle [Short]'s ideas, and I really thought that was good and wanted to continue it." As part of her plan to increase the visibility of the SBA, Patterson also revealed plans to expand career placement resources and faculty diversity.

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**Holmes still a “stealth candidate”**

By **KIRSTIN MUELLER**

Oliver Wendell Holmes' legacy has been horribly misinterpreted but is still useful today, according to Thomas Grey who delivered the annual Cutler lecture on April 7.

Although Holmes is viewed as "a heroic reformer, the founder of modernism in American judicial thought, a villainous cynic separating law and morality, a master of English prose, [and] a pungent aphorist," Grey argued that scholars have misunderstood Holmes' philosophies and have placed him in many differing judicial, philosophical, and political schools of thought.

In his lecture entitled "Molecular Motions: The Holmesian Judge in Theory and Practice," Grey argued that despite a plethora of writings by Holmes and a century of critical analysis of Holmes and his theories, Holmes is "still a stealth candidate." Holmes served as an appellate judge for 50 years and composed over 2,000 opinions and various extra-judicial writings.

Grey addressed the issue of whether Holmes was a flexible, forward-looking pragmatist or a rigid, backward-looking formalist. In fact, explained Grey, Holmes acted like both a formalist and a pragmatist depending on the situation.

Holmes' record looks like that of a formalist because of his tendency to defer to legislative determinations and adhere to precedent, according to Grey. If an applicable rule existed, Holmes would apply it, whether or not the policy behind the rule was intelligent in its contemporary context. Holmes was committed to following the majority’s policy choices rather than imposing his own concept of the majority’s happiness, said Grey.

However, in those rare cases in which Holmes did not find an applicable rule, he acted as a pragmatist, Grey explained.
Out Of Our Heads

After such a long, cold winter, it is no surprise that the scent of blooming flowers and the sight of green around campus has gone to heads of many people in the College community.

Despite the seductiveness of Spring, the specter of approaching exams forces most students to retain a modicum of common sense. What a pity that the W&M Campus Police are not subject to the same types of limits on flights from reality. We can only speculate that the recent incident witnessed by our managing editor can explain the apparent lack of good judgment demonstrated by one of the campus' boys-in-blue.

The incident occurred on the woodchip walkway which runs between the College Bookstore and Tallafarre Hall. While walking home Saturday evening, Paula Hannaford stepped around the corner of Tallafarre Hall in time to see an officer approaching from the opposite direction—in his car.

Fortunately, she was in no immediate danger of being run over. Both Paula and the driver saw each other in time to avoid a tragic accident. She merely stepped aside to allow the vehicle to pass through the narrow corridor. However, had she stepped around the corner a few seconds later, the results might not have been so harmless. (Even finals are not sufficient for her to want to become an obituary in the apparent last issue of the Amicus.)

We have no idea what prompted the officer to abandon Jamestown Road in favor of the sidewalk. As of press time, Campus Police could not be reached for an explanation. We only know that the officer proceeded to one of the rear entrances of the Campus Center, presumably responding to some critical situation requiring his immediate attention.

Nonetheless, it is difficult to imagine an incident so severe that the officer could not have at least driven another 20 yards to the driveway—specifically built to accommodate campus vehicles—which runs between Tallafarre and the Campus Center.

Those that were out-and-about on Saturday will recall that the sidewalks of campus were clogged with even greater-than-average numbers of students, prospective students, community residents and ubiquitous tourists. Campus Police should take note and make arrangements to keep their vehicles on the roads where unsuspecting pedestrians are in danger.

From the Editor’s Desk...

As another year draws to an end, I would be remiss if I did not use this space to thank all those who helped make this a successful year for the Amicus.

And what a year it’s been. We’ve had some hot issues to cover—the SBA President’s suspension, the search for a new dean, threats of devastating budget cuts and our internal struggle with our Honor System.

We even got national attention (in press releases, anyway) by defying the College in its attempt to ban media from a presentation by newly-installed Chancellor Margaret Thatcher.

So yes, certain issues and circumstances have made our job of putting out an interesting paper a little easier. But credit is also due to those whose creativity and commitment kept us going to press every other week.

Next year’s Amicus will surely miss the regular contributions of John Davidson, whose wit and/or sarcasm graced every single issue this year. (Don’t forget about the “Life After Law School” column, guys).

Others also proved indispensable to the continuity of the paper. 2Ls Doug Miller, Jeff Reiger, Alan Duckworth and Steve Youngkin were regular writers/cartoonists, as well as 1Ls Stephen King and Daryl Taylor.

Many others, too numerous to name, devoted their blood, sweat and tears to various pages of this newspaper.

And of course, the nerve center of the Amicus would not have functioned without the undying (and unsleeping) devotion of Paula Hannaford, Debbi Holmes, Shelley Evans and John Crouch, who regularly sacrificed every other precious weekend to put it all together.

As for me, quite honestly, I’ve been looking forward to this last issue all year. But now that it’s here, I do have mixed emotions. Editing this newspaper has been a much more worthwhile experience for me than anything else I did in my law school career, including Legal Skills, job interviewing or attending classes (with the possible exception of meeting Malc). Putting my best effort into this newspaper was my contribution to M-W and its students.

I’d like to think that we’ve put out a good product this year. But I am afraid that without more participation from some of you to fill in the shoes of those who are leaving, the task will be much harder next year, and the quality may suffer because of it.

Hopefully, you 2Ls who were too uptight to see straight this year will relax a little before you come back in the fall. You need to learn that there’s more to law school than books and grades. It’s all what you make of it.

Letters

To the Editor:

The Amicus Curiae should stop representing itself as an objective newspaper. It’s clearly not “dedicated to the complete and objective reporting of student news and opinion” as it reads on the editorial page.

The Amicus Curiae exists solely to spew slurs at ideas and people that do not agree with the apparent leftist slant of its staff. The article on the appearance of Lt. Col. Oliver L. North is an example of this style of law school journalism.

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To the Editor:

Irrony and hypocrisy abound.

After reading “Out Of Our Heads” in the March 28, Amicus Curiae, I was shocked by the narrow-minded hostility, irrationality and intolerance it related. No, I am not referring to the “anti-gay” demonstrators at the Bill of Rights Symposium, but rather to the self-righteous, anti-conservative, anti-Christian attitude displayed by the author.

Herbert Titus and Joseph Broadus articulated perfectly legitimate constitutional views that have value in the “marketplace of ideas.” (This was an open forum, was it not?) If the author disagrees with their assertions, she should challenge them on the merits rather than resort to attacking the speakers and others who share their views with sweeping generalizations and ridiculous, tired labels. In short, the author presumes to teach a lesson in tolerance by espousing the same hysterical bigotry she so ardently condemns in others.

In the words of the author, “such a disturbing exhibition of prejudice only goes to show that hatred is still a pervasive part of our society.” Indeed.

--Kimberly Rouse (IL)
Leader of misunderstood Russian Communist Party visits

By LULIT MILLION

Gennadi Zyuganov, the leader of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation, declared that Americans are misinformed about the Communist Party. In building a Communist Party, Zyuganov stated that the Party looks forward rather than backward for inspiration.

Zyuganov led a panel discussion on April 7 at the University Center entitled "The New Face of Russian Communism." The Russian Club, in cooperation with Student Activities and the Reeves Center for International Studies sponsored the discussion.

During the discussion, Zyuganov outlined three possible scenarios for the future of Russia. "First, we are quite close to developing a dictatorship similar to the one in Colombia. The second possibility is territorial disintegration followed by extreme tension in relations and the possibility of a civil war," he predicted.

"The final option is, on the basis of democratic elections, we have leftist wealth Attorneys." Meeting of the Virginia Commonwealth Attorney, Zyuganov stated that this could lead to strengthening relations between Soviets and the United States. He also believes in cooperation with Yeltsin on any level.

Although the word 'Communist Party' has strong political and historical meaning, Zyuganov explained that they chose to continue that label because the nature of the party is determined by the character of its actions, not by its name. He cited examples of political parties, such as the Leninist party, that proclaim democracy when, in fact, they are not democratic at all.

The Communist Party currently has over 600,000 members and received the third highest number of votes in last December's elections. Under Zyuganov's leadership, the Communist Party has adopted a more moderate political course, although still devoted basic Communist beliefs such as free education, medical care, full employment and other social protections provided by the government.

When asked about concrete economic plans and policies concerning the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank, and foreign investment in Russia, Zyuganov stressed that Russia is extremely profitable for foreign investment. He explained that Russia maintains 11 percent of the world's reserves of oil as well as 30 percent of gas, 20 percent of coal and iron ore and 50 percent of the world's resources in fresh water.

On the issue of relations between the Baltic states and the Russian Federation, Zyuganov stands for the restoration of culture without undermining the sovereignty of any republic. Zyuganov further stressed the importance of respecting human rights based on international agreements.

Zyuganov's political career began as a staff member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. In August 1991, Zyuganov was elected to the Politburo and Secretary of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation. Then, in February 1993, he was elected Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party.

Felton: parole "abject failure;” Spencer: it helps discipline

By JON SHELTON

Should we abolish parole? Participants in the debate on parole and the correction system failed to reach any consensus in the March 28 debate concerning Virginia's parole system.

The debate was organized by Acting Dean Paul Marcus in conjunction with the annual meeting of Virginia Commonwealth Attorneys.

In 1980 the federal system had 19,000 prisoners; the state system housed 304,000 prisoners. By 1992 the systems had 61,000 and 800,000 prisoners, respectively.

Professor Walter Felton, Deputy Attorney General of Virginia, began the panel with a history of parole. The need for parole used to be minimal because the punishment for many crimes was death, so few prisoners existed. Moreover, in those prisons that did exist, the survival rate was low.

The parole board was instituted in response to the problems of increasing rates of recidivism and disparities in release of prisoners. Although parole has not improved those problems, it flourishes because prisons fill up too quickly.

Gene Johnson, Deputy Director of the Virginia Department of Corrections, described the Virginia parole system in particular. Virginia has two types of parole: discretionary, where the Parole Board examines the prisoner and makes a recommendation; and mandatory, where the sentencing judge sets parole based on the release date. Most of the controversy centers around discretionary parole.

Marcus played the role of a very active moderator and put the question directly to William Barr, former U.S. Attorney General and Chair of Governor Allen's Commission on Parole Abolition and Sentencing Reform: should we abolish parole? Barr responded, "Yes, as the federal government has." From 1961 to 1980 there was a 400 percent increase in the rate of violent crime, an increase that was attributed to liberal parole.

According to Barr, the reasons to eliminate parole are: retribution—the punishment should fit the crime committed; deterrence—we need certainty and severity in punishment; incapacitation—letting people out is simply a failure considering the recidivism rate; rehabilitation—also a complete failure; promotion of equality—by eliminating disparate granting of parole; promotion of the public trust in the criminal justice system—by eliminating what the public views as a deceptive game; and, promotion of fairness for victims.

John McGarvey, a criminal defense attorney, responded by stating that Barr's experience is with the federal system. He pointed out that the state system is different due to the fact that the state does not choose cases to prosecute as the federal system does and that most federal defendants are drug dealers.

McGarvey distinguished between parole and "good time" in Virginia. "Good time" is the practice of getting one-half off a sentence for good time served. McGarvey claimed that violent criminals are not paroled, but instead get out early on "good time." Parole provides an incentive for prisoners to "tow the line" in prison. Abolishing this incentive will not create better citizens when prisoners are eventually released, McGarvey said.

It has been estimated that eliminating parole in Virginia would cost approximately $600 million, Marcus stated. How can we afford that? Jerry Kilgore, Secretary of Public Safety, stated that he believes the cost is much less, but did not have any figures. Kilgore advocated abolishing parole because nothing has worked, and it would be fairer to victims.

Associate Professor Margaret Spencer, a member of the Virginia Board of Corrections and Legislative Commission on Sentence and Parole Reform, responded that parole is getting a "bad rap." She cited the statistic that 68 percent of violent offenders are released on mandatory parole—where "good time" is the culprit. However, good time is needed for discipline and the federal system has recognized this by keeping good time, albeit at 15 percent of time served and not 50 percent.

The cost to society in eliminating parole is tremendous because the cost of building a 700 bed prison is $55 million, not including operating costs. Moreover, eliminating parole in Virginia would create approximately 7,000 new prisoners. Barr conceded that some incentive was necessary to promote discipline in prisons, and that 15 percent good time was sufficient.

Barr claimed that our prison system has been a failure at rehabilitation and incapacitation. In his opinion, the only solution is to keep all violent offenders behind bars, at least until they reach that statistically significant age when a "predator's" propensity to commit crime drops sharply at approximately 39-years-old. Barr stated that we should not be so concerned with the costs of prisons, that keeping violent offenders on the street eventually costs society much more.

Incarcerating every offender is a myth, Spencer answered. Since every offender arrested is replaced by another, Barr's system will not be a deterrent, and we do not have the resources to treat these people in the prisons. Felton responded, "The public is just very angry... because we haven't been honest with them." The people (on the Parole Board) who are appointed are an entrenched bureaucracy, and they are making important decisions that impinge on the function of
Toppling ivory tower will spill academia into environment

By REBECCA MORDINI

Toppling the ivory tower was a common theme in the two-day conference entitled "Environmental Policy and the Role of the University" held at W&M University Center on April 7 and 8.

Participants from a variety of academic backgrounds, citizens' groups, government agencies and the business sector called for an interdisciplinary approach to policy making. One of the many scientists represented in the conference, Dean Dennis Taylor of the School of Marine Science, admitted that "Hard science needs to be conversant with the social sciences."

Identifying a need for universities to be proactive in community and political action, participants viewed the university as the most effective forum for integrating this interdisciplinary approach into more effective environmental policy making.

Sharon Adams of the Elizabeth River Project, noted that the university was an essential link between the citizens concerned about the Elizabeth River and action taken to clean up the river. Adams explained, "The university needs to engage in the politics of policy formulation... It cannot be a player if it remains in virgin territory."

Examples of environmental policymaking in Virginia took the discussion out of the theoretical realm. The Elizabeth River Project, the Yorktown ARCO clean-up, and the prohibition of dangerous chemicals used to paint the bottoms of boats were all presented as successful partnerships between colleges and policy makers.

Not surprisingly, the business community viewed regulation as failing to bring about environmental goals. What was eye-opening was that the scientific community shared the negative view of regulation. Taylor summarized the problem as one in which "laws are conceived in conflict, passed in conflict and interpreted in conflict through litigation."

According to Taylor, the sheer bulk of environmental regulation has made it ineffective. But, Robert Knecht, of the University of Delaware's Center for Marine Policy, pointed out the trend in court cases such as Noland v. Lucas to recognize the protection of private lands as a taking, requiring government compensation for affected lands.

Several panelists agreed that an interdisciplinary approach to policymaking would lead to a variety of solutions, including economic incentives. Macauley noted that the new Clean Air Act amendments, allowing for pollution credits, are a departure from the anti-market bias of most environmental regulations.

Society has seen a failure to apply what we already know about environmental protection,

According to Taylor. He noted that "the citizens of the U.S. are as well-informed about environmental problems as citizens of any other country, yet have a poorer environmental record." He attributes this in part to our system of government.

Taylor remarked that our society has been trained to solve policy problems with a new law. Professor Lawrence Wiseman of the Department of Biology moderated this panel discussion and concluded Taylor's remarks with the old saying, "The more corrupt a society is, the more laws it has."

Adams, the only citizen activist on the panel, noted, "It has been said that the environmental movement is dead. But it is not dead, it is just tired." Adams thinks that the environmental movement has accomplished the easy things and now must turn to the harder work of making policy for the real world.

The panelists agreed that the scientific community suffers from a lack of incentives to take a more active role in policy making. Scientists need to distill their work into formats intelligible to a lay person or policymaker. Publishing in non-scientific journals detracts from the number of publications necessary for tenure, Macauley noted.

The Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy and the School of Marine Science organized the conference in cooperation with M-W. W&M President Timothy Sullivan opened the conference with remarks on the success achieved by the Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy in its short history. "Training for leadership and public service is part of the history of William and Mary... The emphasis on interdisciplinary work draws together the strengths of the College," said Sullivan.

Feminist praises old-time values, manners, extended family

By JOHN CROUCH

Lawyer-turned-freelance writer Charlotte Allen brought a wholly unexpected message to W&M on March 29 and 30.

Traditional manners and extended families allowed women more freedom, privacy, and self-worth than they gain from the fragmented families and communities produced by the modern "cult of self-fulfillment," she argued.

The Mary & William Feminist Law Society's Women's Studies program sponsored Allen's March 29 lecture. The following morning she tried to clarify her views over breakfast with Mary & William members at the home of Professor Valerie Hardy, who opened the discussion.

Extended families have been the basic social unit worldwide and throughout history, even when people physically reside in nuclear households, Allen claimed, citing several studies. People in such families have important relationships with different family members, so that their self-worth and contentment do not depend on a lifelong emotional and intellectual romance with their spouses.

Allen described a way of life that is now mostly abandoned. The lifestyle was characterized by families who were bound by duty and necessity rather than by a quest for self-fulfillment. They were economically productive units in which women did socially respected work in or near the home, children helped with chores, and older people helped raise children.

Allen read an excerpt by feminist author Germaine Greer which described a mid-20th-Century Italian family. The married couple grew apart as their romance wore off, but maintained a web of relationships with in-laws, siblings and parents.

In contrast, Allen explained, women who moved to the suburbs after World War II found themselves isolated from any extended family or community. Their only long-term relationships were within the household, and they were forced into inscapeable intimacy with only one person. Their husbands became their only source of adult conversation.

Suddenly, women began noticing that men weren't "supportive," or "responsive," and didn't share their feelings. Their discontent focused on the only family relationships they had left. Middle-class women and young people began emphasizing "self-fulfillment" and "feelings," and eventually every generation embraced the new value structure. Baby boomers retained the emotional desires of adolescents well into middle age. Older people gathered in their own communities and no longer had much influence on the young.

Today's youth are the first generation to be raised within the "cult of self-fulfillment" rather than being converted to it. They are a "Me Generation" upon a "Me Generation," she warned. They are both frightened and frightening.

Now "we have no traditional customs" because contact between the generations has withered. Allen continued. People "have to reinvent everything" for themselves. Marriage, childbirth, child-rearing and aging are wholly new and terrifying experiences, rather than basic, familiar phases of life.

The postwar move from settled extended families and neighborhoods also put women's working lives and self-esteem in crisis, Allen said. Women's work maintaining the household came to be seen as second-class drudgery, a mere support system for the breadwinner. They were not respected unless they had a career. By now, said Allen, every woman is expected to be a "Superwoman" who does it all, balancing a full career and a happy family.

Even when this model satisfies the needs of some upper-middle-class women, she noted, it is imposed much more rigorously on working-class women, who have less to gain from being expected to work outside the home.

The "Superwoman" model has eroded respect for single women, as well, Allen claimed. Until recently, unmarried career women were able to do great things that they couldn't have done while raising a family. They seemed self-assured, well-respected by their male peers, and were often closely involved in their extended families. Now, Allen said, if a woman has no husband and children, people think there is something wrong with her. Single women with successful careers, she

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Victim rights groups offer support when court system fails

By MARK WILLIAMS

Only 17 percent of Americans have faith in the criminal justice system—less than the public confidence level in the U.S. Congress, according to Lisa Barnes, executive director of Neighbors Who Care. Barnes said the crime victim support group seeks to boost public confidence in the criminal justice system by advocating “Restorative Justice” to correct the wrongs inflicted on victims and make them feel less alienated from the system.

The Orange County Law Fellowship sponsored the lecture by Barnes on March 30. Barnes said crime is perceived as the nation’s number one social problem. To counteract this trend, she advocated changing the existing criminal justice paradigm from one in which the states change the existing criminal justice books gone? This question is not missed. Several West Publishing books are on the spectrum from practice and popular subjects. Several West Reporters, priced between $40 and $70 each, are among the missing. Rush thinks that in many cases people do not intend to steal a book, but need it right away. Because the book may be non-circulating or there may not be anyone at the circulation desk, the book is surreptitiously removed. Although a book is initially taken only temporarily, often people forget to return it after obtaining the necessary information. It ends up on a bookshelf as part of the “borrower’s” permanent collection.

According to several students, the law school professors are a major source of the missing-book problem. Because professors have direct access to the second floor of the library via their “magic key,” they often remove books from the stacks and take them directly to their offices without going downstairs to check them out. One student told me that on several occasions, when he asked a professor about missing books that he needed for research, he was directed to other professors who had those missing books.

Occasionally, the AWOL books will turn up. Sometimes, they have not actually been removed from the library, but have merely been misshelved. The library staff conducts regular shelf-readings to pick up misplaced books. Others appear in the book return when the “borrower” is either finished with them or discovers that these books actually belong to the library. One was sent back anonymously through the mail.

To keep track of its books, the library requires that all books on carrels be checked out. Even though these books will not necessarily come up on LION, the circulation desk maintains its own system for locating them. Students who cannot find a book may go to the circulation desk and a staff member will conduct the search for you. If it is checked out, one can request a recall. Otherwise, the book will be reported as missing, and may or may not be reordered.

Between 1991 and 1993, over $10,000 was spent to replace missing books. Because of the great expense, only one-third of the missing books are ever replaced. The library cannot afford to replace all stolen books while continuously updating its collection. Furthermore, some older books are no longer in print. The problem is not unique to M-W. All colleges suffer from book theft, along with the problems incurred by people tearing out individual pages rather than taking the entire book. Fortunately, there have only been a few tearing incidents in the law

Marshall-Wythe library: a sorry shadow of its former glory

By MARYBETH DINGLEDY

Where have all the library books gone? This question is not only on the minds of the library staff, but also the students who search in vain for needed books. According to the most recent inventory undertaken in the middle of 1993, 450 classified books have mysteriously disappeared from the library stacks. Even the Bible has not been spared.

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Krattenmaker: no plans to bring Georgetown to M-W

Incoming Dean Thomas Krattenmaker answered questions at an informal gathering held at M-W on March 29. The following are excerpts from the session. —Eds.

Q: What is your commitment to the student-run Honor System as opposed to one run by the administration? Krattenmaker: I’ve never been at an institution with a student-run Honor System. I have no opposition to it. I know of it working at other institutions. The Devil’s in the details. I’d have to find out.

Q: Georgetown has a great placement office. What changes would you make at M-W regarding placement of students in jobs? Krattenmaker: The best thing would be to get the economy turned around. Next, [the OCPF office] is an understaffed operation, and I premise some of that increase will be in the Placement Office.

[Krattenmaker admitted that he’s not sure Georgetown students are doing better than M-W students. He is certain that Kaplan is anxious to expand the placement office by getting more computer terminals.] Q: I have friends at other law schools who have taken Criminal Law as a 1L. Is there any possibility of shifting the 1L and 2L courses?

Krattenmaker: There will be a thorough review of the 1L curriculum. It may even be done before I’m dean. … I’m not promising Criminal Law for 1Ls but it’s likely to be a done deal by the time I get here.

Q: In connection with adding faculty, do you anticipate the student body ever growing?

Krattenmaker: No. I didn’t come here to bring Georgetown to M-W. One of the strengths of this place is that students and faculty know each other. I anticipate knowing your names. That doesn’t occur at Georgetown. … One of the hallmarks of M-W is that graduates have an affection for this place. Secondly: Increasing students means there’s nothing in it for the law school (monetarily from Richmond). When these two reasons colalesce, you’ve got an immovable object.

Q: At this size, can M-W ever be a top ten school?

Krattenmaker: Not in my deanship. … Ranking isn’t divorced from the kind of school you are. There are no state schools in the top five. … If you take the fact that M-W has a small faculty, library, and the number of graduates, then we are in the top two or three. Maybe this is a great environment. We don’t want to play. In order to be top 10, you must become an institution you don’t want to be. Can we be top 25? Yes, we’re on the cutting edge of that.

Q: This is a regional school. How do you plan to expand the reach of the school?

Krattenmaker: This is a state school. I’m not interested in creating lawyers for New Mexico. … In terms of the school’s reputation, Marshall-Wythe isn’t doing as well as it should. We’re doing a good job with moot court. … The faculty needs to visit other schools to attend conferences.

Q: Any talk of adopting a two-year curriculum plan? It’s difficult to plan your courses when you don’t know what’s being offered.

Krattenmaker: When I was in law school, you knew what was being offered. I understand the need for a faculty to be flexible. That’s the reason for the lack of a two-year plan.

[Krattenmaker added that this is the kind of issue he would like the students to assess in what he called a “self study” of the school, faculty and curriculum.] Q: Where is the money coming from for the expansion of the faculty and building?

Krattenmaker: All the changes save for the building are modest. … I’m not talking about raising tuition or bankrupting the Philosophy Department. I think it will occur without noticing it. If there are tuition increases, it will be because of the budget problems.
Law Watch

By JOHN CROUCH

LOGS V. OWLS: The full D.C. Circuit voided a regulation that banned destruction of endangered species’ habitat. Only the federal government has to respect habitat, the Enforced Species Act, it held. (Law Week).

PROTESTS CURBED: New Jersey’s Supreme Court let it ban leafleting of abortionists’ neighbors, picketing right in front of clinics and harassing or interfering with patients and staff. But it said calling a doctor a “baby killer” at his home is free speech. (NPR, Washington Post).

New York city outlawed “harassment” of clinic customers. (USA Today).

BOOT CAMP EQUALITY: Virginia must give male and female convicts equal chances to shorten their sentences through boot camp, said Roanoke U.S. magistrate Glen Conrad. (Richmond Times-Dispatch).

TERM LIMITS V. CONGRESS: Term limits are unconstitutional according to the Ninth Circuit. (USA Today).

DISESTABLISHMENT OK: U.Va. can deny funding to religious activities, the Fourth Circuit said. (Law Week).

ILLEGAL ZONING: Under the Fair Housing Act, a zoning law cannot limit the number of unrelated people living together, though it could limit numbers regardless of kinship, the Ninth Circuit said. (Law Week).

KIDS ACCOUNTABLE: Children between 10 and 14 are no longer presumed not to know right from wrong, England’s Court of Appeal held. (London Times).

CRIED GAS: Maryland let condemned men choose lethal injection after one claimed the gas chamber was cruel and unusual. (USA Today).

UNION ASYLUM: A Guatemalan, fined and threatened for union work, got political asylum from the Second Circuit. (USA Today).

LEGALIZE IT: Drugs should be legal, says San Francisco federal judge Vaughan Walker, who is so right-wing that liberals delayed his confirmation for two years. As a litigator, he ended San Francisco’s handgun ban and Gay Olympics. “But when you’re called upon to impose extremely lengthy sentences, you begin to ask yourself whether what you are doing makes any sense,” he explained. (New York Times).

MOB RULES: Mafia contracts are enforceable except when “so integrally related” to anti-competition conspiracy as to compel “the precise conduct” banned by antitrust laws, New York’s Court of Appeals held. (New York Law Journal).

SAY REPEAL: Because an appeals court said a dead lawyer’s sperm is property, his girlfriend gets 20 percent of it, an L.A. probate judge ruled. (USA Today).

HI HO: A promoter calling himself a “performance art curator” has no standing to challenge the constitutionality of a dwarf bowling ban because the ban only directly affects liquor-licensed establishments, a Manhattan court held. (New York Law Journal).

FEEDS CONSTRANGED: A five-year statute of limitations on federal agencies seeking civil penalties, fines and forfeitures starts running upon a violation, not its discovery, the D.C. Circuit said. (Law Week).

RACE-BASED DRUG LAW: Five New Haven defendants claim laws punishing crack more severely than plain cocaine are unconstitutional. (USA Today).

JURIES PRO-DEFENSE: Juries now favor tort defendants, says a study of over 90,000 cases. By 1992, product-liability plaintiffs won 43 percent of cases, consumer product liability, 39 percent; doctor malpractice, 25 percent; hospital malpractice, 50 percent; personal injuries, 52 percent. (National Law Journal).

CAVEAT VENATOR: Home-sellers must tell buyers about nearby landfills or other conditions hurting property values or enjoyment, a New York appeals court held. (Law Week).

FLAG AMENDMENT: 38 states have asked Congress to amend the constitution to ban flag-burning. (USA Today).


DIVORCE BURDENED: Independence, Mo., will begin making people attend mediation, counseling and films when they file for divorce. (National Law Journal).


THOUGHT CRIMES: Dowager Lady Birdwood, 80, was convicted of possessing a booklet likely to stir racial hatred. This breached her probation from a 1991 anti-terrorism conviction. (London Times).

EXTRAUCURRICULARS: Durango, Colo., parents sued teachers who strip-searched 40 students in a failed effort to find $6. (USA Today).

INSANITY DOESN’T PAY: The Supreme Court declined to review Montana’s abolition of the insanity defense. (National Law Journal).

SPANISH-SPEAKERS WANTED: Prosecutors can peremptorily strike all Spanish-speakers from a jury in a case where translations will be used, even those who say they’ll accept the court’s translation, the Third Circuit said. (National Law Journal).

N.M. CONSOLIDATES JURISDICTION: Under its constitution, New Mexico

Meet Michael Gerhardt

By SHELLIE EVANS

Sometimes background is the key. Professor Michael Gerhardt grew up in “a tempestuous place,” Alabama in the 1960s. Thus, he “always saw the law as a way to bring justice to the community, as well as a way to bring justice to many areas of life.”

Gerhardt entered teaching to deal with issues and subject matter that interested him, especially Constitutional Law, that he was able to be involved in without teaching. “Scholarship gives me a chance to engage in dialogue,” he explained.

Interestingly, “dialogue” did not engage him while in law school at the University of Chicago. On the contrary, Gerhardt asserts that he “hated the Socratic method” and always sat in the back row. When asked to explain this dichotomy in light of his chosen profession, Gerhardt said, “I think discussion is a good thing. There are some of my professors—including Posner and Scalia—were real interested in passing on their own views and trying to convince students of the incorrectness of students’ contrary views. I didn’t think that’s what class is for. One thing I wouldn’t do as a law professor is preach my own ideas and discourage people from thinking on their own. Our job is to give people better insight into different arguments they can make.”

When questioned about the Doonesbury comic on gender depicting the frustration of a law professor using the Socratic Method, Gerhardt said that it was not to be taken as a comment on students. “A student gave it to me at Wake Forest (where he taught prior to M-W) and I just thought it was funny,” chuckled Gerhardt. It turns out that all of the comics on his door were given to him by students. He keeps them there out of deference and because “All are funny comments on Court in one way or another.”

Prior to academia, Gerhardt clerked and practiced in civil, criminal and appellate courts, primarily in Washington, D.C. Certainly not one to bring, Gerhardt is an accomplished author. He recently completed a book on the federal impeachment process. Gerhardt has written an expanded version of a chapter from the impeachment book on the suitability of such impeachment. His plans for the summer include writing an article on the confirmation process.

Students who were in his class last year are aware of the work Gerhardt did for the Clinton Administration. He remains “relat­ively proud” of his work regarding policy analysis in judicial transition. And, unknown to most, Gerhardt has testified a number of times in judicial confirmations and worked in the Senate on impeachment.

Outside of the law, Gerhardt “loves to read mysteries and go to the theatre.” A little-known fact is that he played tennis competitively on the amateur circuit. Always one to belittle his accomplishments, he even once played against Rosey Tanner, although he found it “somewhat depressing.”

Alas, like so many professors at the law school, Gerhardt will be on sab­batical next year to teach at Cornell Law School. He anticipates it will be a learning experience, a “chance to be exposed to different ways and ideas.”

Reflecting on his four years of teaching, Gerhardt said he is hopeful that he’s made M-W a better place. He finds it “a very pleasant place to be, not only as a law professor but also as a student.”

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Columnist is keynote speaker at W&M commencement
George Will, a Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist known for his work in many publications will be the keynote speaker at commencement exercise on May 15. The college also will award honorary degrees to Bernard Bailyn, a Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and professor at Harvard University, and Rozanne L. Ridgway, former career diplomat and current co-chair of The Atlantic Council of The United States.

Clothesline exhibit for Sexual Assault Awareness Week
W&M University Center Lobby will be the site of The Clothesline Exhibit on April 13 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The exhibit serves as a tribute to educate the public about the casualties of violence against women. The victims of sexual assault are personalized by clotheslines of individually decorated shirts, each representing a woman or female child who has been killed, battered, raped, molested or assaulted. The Richmond National Organization for Women, the YWCA and the Avalon Center for Women and Children are sponsoring the event.

Kane’s Bill of Rights Journal Note is Scribes finalist

M-W Journals name new editorial boards
The Administrative Law Review:
Managing Editor: Kevin Miner
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Student Articles Editor: Julie Patterson
Issue Editors: Dennis Foley, Anne White, Louanna Godwin
The Journal of Environmental Law:
Editor-In-Chief: Jeffrey Regner
Managing Editor: Carter Santos
Research Editor: Alexandra Viscusi
Business Editor: Martha Mclinton
Articles Editors: Jeffrey Geiger, Scarlett Spence, Kathryn Hutton, Lara Vukelic, Mark Kristiansen
The William and Mary Bill of Rights Journal:
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Managing Editor: W. Clayton Batchelor
Business Editor: Bret A. Loney
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Managing Editor: Beth Bruns
Business Editor: Marjorie Fichter
Circulation Editor: Heather Ross
Membership Coordinator: Kimberly Tollhurst
Executive Professional Articles Editor: Kerith Cohen
Executive Student Articles Editor: J. Connell
Professional Articles Board Editors: Michelle Anderson, Jennifer Healy
Student Articles Board Editors: Scarlett Spence, Shireen Tabechian

Donaldson wins teaching award
3Ls voted to give Professor John E. Donaldson the Marshall-Wythe Faculty Award.

BLSA Blood Drive
The Black Law Students Association (BLSA) is sponsoring a Blood Drive at the National Center for Sute Courts on April 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cookies and refreshments will be given to all donors who join BLSA in giving the gift of life.

Best-seller suspense writer to speak at Library Dinner
Clive Cussler, whose best-selling books include Raise the Titanic, will be the April 29 speaker for the Friends of the Library of W&M. Cussler’s talk is entitled “Shipwrecks and Storytelling: Discovering Historic Ships and Writing Best-Selling Novels.”

Abstract expressionist paintings at Muscarelle Museum
“The Conceptual Canvas: Abstract Expressionist Paintings” from the Muscarelle Museum’s Joan Outland Chrysler Collection will be on exhibit from May 14 through 31. The emphasis of the collection is on American abstract expressionist paintings of the 1950s and 1960s.

40th anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education conference
“Brown v. Board of Education After 40 Years: Confronting the Promise” is the theme for a national conference examining the past and future of racial issues in the U.S. The conference will be held May 17-18 in Williamsburg. W&M’s Institute of Bill of Rights Law and the Howard University Law School are planning the event.

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SBA should publicly acknowledge its Short-comings

By Eric Kimbrough

For two weeks, students at M-W have gone through the constitutionally mandated transition of power from one SBA administration to another. This transition was peaceful. There was no putch, no attempt to disrupt elections by violent means, and no exchange of Molotov cocktails for rubber bullets. Certainly, by United Nations standards, the election was a resounding success.

On the other hand, there was a conspicuous absence of any discussion of issues. I realize, of course, that this was a student government election, and under normal circumstances there are no real issues to discuss. Certainly, candidates for SBA president should make the same vague noises that student government candidates always make about “representing the interests of the students,” “getting the students more involved in the process,” and all the typical nuttiness that always accompanies this type of election. However, this year the circumstances were not normal. This year the SBA president lied to the administration for his own financial benefit; this year the SBA president refused to admit that he was wrong when he was caught; and this year the Honor Council’s sanction of that SBA president was overriden by the Dean. Yet, in spite of these events, no effort was made to explore whether the system of student government at M-W is in need of change.

I do not suggest that these incidents represent major crises that threaten to paralyze the law school. Nor do I think that even a majority of the M-W students should be particularly concerned, but I do believe that the self-proclaimed non-apathetic students—those who run for SBA office—should acknowledge that the events of the past year potentially expose major weaknesses in the SBA system. Certainly the SBA, in spite of its name, concerns itself on state bar associations or the ABA. However, the SBA should be committed to creating a functioning system of self-government for no other reason than to demonstrate that M-W students are capable of understanding the concept.

The students put Kyle Short in a position of responsibility. He was a representative of the school, and in an age where so much is made of the need for higher ethical standards among attorneys, Short blatantly lied to administration officials on two separate occasions. When he was caught, he wrote an open letter to the students attempting to justify his dishonesty by saying that “The questions were geared towards finding out if [he] had roommates paying [him] rent that [he] used to directly offset [his] mortgage payment on the house,” and that “As a small business owner [he] was not in [a] classic situation where roommate rent goes directly against the mortgage payment.” Based on this nonsense, Short believed that he was justified in resigning from office.

The fact that Kyle lied and then was disingenuous about it when caught is unfortunate, but in the larger context of the school as a whole, it matters little. The point is that when Kyle’s behavior damaged the reputation of the school, no one in the student government was willing (or perhaps able) to do anything about it. Here we have a representative of the student body convicted by the Honor Council and refusing to acknowledge that he had done anything wrong by making transparent “Nixonian” excuses, and the Dean has to step in to ensure that he suffered more than public embarrassment.

What does this say about our ability to regulate ourselves? This incident represents a failure of the student government, and none of the SBA representatives or candidates for office made any mention of the situation.

While I do not think that this incident calls for a massive reform movement, someone from the ruling class should acknowledge that there are problems and that these problems should be addressed. In particular, the student government should be able to clean up its own messes without having to rely on the faculty to step in to take corrective action.

Last year, a minor fracas arose when a faculty member disregarded an Honor Council finding of innocence and assigned a student a failing grade because that faculty member believed that the student had, in fact, cheated on the examination. The uproar among some students centered on the fact that the faculty should be forced to respect Honor Council findings. Yet how can the student body demand this level of autonomy when it does not even recognize its inability to administer itself?

While the faculty considers whether to grant students more freedom, it is certain to remember the fact that, because of the failure of the student-run system, Acting Dean Marcus was put in an extremely untenable position.

If the SBA is actually concerned about advancing the interests of the student body, it should at least acknowledge its own shortcomings.

It’s a MAD World

MAD World Express grinds to halt, columnist jumps track

By MARK A. DONALD

End of the line for the MAD World Express. Thank you for flying. You will find your luggage at baggage carousel C. Please bus your own table. Employees must wash hands before returning to work.

This column has lasted much longer than Lever anticipated when Leeanne and Kevin first grudgingly granted me permission to write it. And for many, it certainly lasted much longer than it should have. Column suffocation has long been the weakness of law school newspapers, making most of them lengthy dull forums for debates that would otherwise appear on bathroom walls.

There never seems to be a shortage of opinions at law schools, while news writers are as rare as white rhinos (R.I.P. The Advocate). Hats off now to all those newsies, editors and others who have worked so hard to make this newspaper as good as it is.

Those who have wonced, yawned, or avidly charged through this part of the American for the past year or years, tolerating my inherent bitchiness, may have wondered in light of all this negativity why the hell I even bothered coming here at all. Those who know me have been subjected to numerous demonstrations of the fact that my propensity to complain is seldom bound by these pages.

So why have the comfy confines of my western city culture and home town law school (with its $80 per semester tuition and same quartile ranking as W&M) in exchange for rain, winter, monstrous debt, funny accents, and bad race relations? I did it for the adventure.

And I got what I asked for with a vengeance. Those who have any doubt that America is many different countries are invited to transport themselves to the opposite coast for a few years. From the very first day of Law Camp, I knew that the people I would be spending time with for the next three years would indeed be foreign to my experience. Different expectations, abilities, values.

Though much of my early time here was spent in fits of adjustive defensiveness, over time I have come to value my experience here well beyond the additional outlay of time, discomfort and bucks involved in getting it all together.

I have found in almost every one of my classmates something of value. From admirable traits to costsy lessons, it has been the people of M-W, the students and staff, rather than moldy buildings, dung-topped statues, or any other vestigial history and tradition that have been a large part of this adventure and certainly the greater part of my law school learning.

At a larger school, many, if not most of you, would simply have been nameless faces in the crowd. Instead it seems I have come to know both students and staff; some just a little, a few more than I cared to, but in each something memorable, something I can use.

As for the professors, well, we all know that they span the spectrum from inspirational to abysmal, but without exception, the permanent faculty too has provided lessons beyond the classroom—some noble, some repugnant. As for the visiting faculty, some of them may wish to turn their “examination” to more appropriate areas of endeavor. Others have truly been enriching.

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While there are always ways to beat a security system, the staff hopes this will deter those who either forget to check out a book or who only “borrow” it temporarily. In the meantime, those who have the pleasure of doing end-of-the-year subchecks will be most grateful.

Although my cultural adaptation might be described as “comfort in the fact that I’m learning,” I have truly appreciated the efforts of my many classmates who have taken the time and efforts to show me around their home stomping grounds and broadened my adventure beyond the suffocating parameters of our tourist hell.

And so ends two agonizing years of this column, which I’m sure will relieve future editors and probably future readers as well. Personal thanks to Kevin, Leeanne, Debbi, and Paula for their patience, prudence, and telling me “to put a sock in it!” on those occasions when I crossed the line. Thanks to everybody who read, and all the people who shared their feelings on the column with me personally. Y’all made it worthwhile.

Adios.
M-W students debate Christianity and gay rights

Federal government should not impose its values on society

By Kimberly Rouse and Tad Fisher

Holmes was wrong.
You cannot separate law from morality. Every rule, regulation and law passed in this country at every level of government reflects a particular "morality," whether it be advancing a secular humanist world view or the theology of a particular religion.

We would like to take this opportunity to clear up several statements that have been made in support of one such view of morality, in particular those made by Herbert Titus at the Bill of Rights Symposium on "Defining Family." While we do not presume to speak for Mr. Titus or any other student at this school, we feel that some of his assertions can be more fully explained by two members of the Marshall-Wythe Christian community. We would then like to address how these beliefs should be dealt with in the law and our system of government.

Many students were outraged by Mr. Titus's Judeo-Christian outlook. Mr. Titus was very outspoken on the issue of the traditional family, and it is unfortunate that many of his statements came across in a very harsh, judgmental way. Christians are commanded to always "speak the truth in love," and sadly, Mr. Titus did not always portray this love.

An even bigger shame is that society often holds this inaccurate view of Christians. The display case in the lobby which purported to represent both sides of the homosexual rights debate epitomized this judgmental and intolerant image of Christianity. For example, a prominent picture of a man holding a poster reading "God hates fags"... God does not hate. No human being is to judge another. We are commanded to love each other. While love was the primary teaching of Jesus Christ, Christ also taught that God hates sin, the act of turning away from Him.

Every one of us is inherently sinful, and for that reason it is wrong to single out any one person or group for special judgment. Superiority has no place in this debate, and we regret that this may have been the message conveyed at the symposium.

Any proclaimed Christian who advanced arguments towards homosexuals or slandered those individuals with hostile words and hateful, inflammatory stereotypes is simply wrong. There are radicals in every group. Generally, Christians who disagree with the homosexual movement do so based on a strong belief in the infallible Word of God setting forth a divine plan for marriage and family.

The question then becomes, where do these beliefs fit into law and our system of government? Those of you who reject the views of Mr. Titus would likely disagree as to why you reject them. The lack of consensus is due to the interaction of various factors including secular morality, religion, social and cultural influences and mores, and politics that determine the status of homosexuals in America. Because there is so little agreement between institutions and individuals on these issues, there is a clamor for government to play a larger role in setting a national agenda on homosexuality. Our federal, democratic republic, however, requires that state legislatures be given the primary responsibility for translating the people's beliefs into law. The United States Constitution does not require and Congress should not mandate a uniform national policy on homosexuality.

The Bill of Rights Symposium itself represents why homosexuals should not be considered a suspect class. People who promote homosexuality as an equally legitimate lifestyle have a powerful voice in society and politics. Their ideas have become widespread in the marketplace of ideas and the people are listening. As a result, legislatures across the nation are responding by passing laws prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation in custody laws, hate crime and hate speech laws, etc. Churches are blessing same-sex unions. Universities are moving to have their homosexual faculty receive insurance benefits formerly given only to married couples. Here at Marshall-Wythe, the newly formed Gay and Lesbian Law Student Association is thriving.

This movement's successful strides are proof that our democratic system is working. Value-ridden "judicial legislation" should be the last resort in resolving this issue. The courts are too slow, and what the law is, not what the law should be.

Like many sensitive and complicated issues of this kind, this battle should first be fought in the hearts and minds of the people, and then left to legislative judgment to codify the will of its citizens. To appeal to the courts at this stage is to admit our federalist system and the American political process is a failure, acceptance, and forgiveness. He firmly advocated the maxim, "Judge not lest ye be judged." When He said this, He was talking about the day when all of us die, and our souls go to heaven to be judged by God. Those who judge others most harshly during their life on earth will face the same harsh judgment from God when the time comes for their reckoning.

Another anecdote from the life of Christ also highlights His message of tolerance. One day, the people to whom He was preaching brought Him a woman caught in the act of prostitution, an act punishable by stoning to death. As all stood by poised to begin the execution, Jesus quietly stated, "Let him among you who is without sin cast the first stone."

All Christians believe that everyone sins during their mortal life on earth and Christ's statement was yet another subtle reminder that no matter how wrong we may think anyone else's actions are, we all need to look inward at our own sins and shortcomings, rather than condemning those around as for what we perceive are their sins.

Finally, we can look to the Beatitudes, Christ's explanation of the principles that should guide our lives. "Blessed are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs." Showing mercy and being strangely judgmental are completely at odds with each other.

Titus proclaimed the word of the "Creator," yet also acted in direct contravention of the teachings of the man he proclaims to be his Savior, poised to begin the execution. So what does all of this have to do with the basic rights for gay and lesbian people in America today? Gay and lesbians face some of the ugliest forms of discrimination and hatred in this country—much of it violent, much of it perpetrated by people who describe themselves as Christians.

While Pat Robertson and leaders of the Religious Right may try to divorce themselves from the fringe elements of their movement, the rhetoric they use—the rhetoric Herb Titus used at the symposium—continues to encourage and...
by Michael Romans

Psychic connection for exam preparation finally revealed

By Michael Romans

Now the truth can be told. By the power of mysticism, E.S.P. and telekinesis, the irrationality and inconsistency of M-W grading is finally revealed:

Superstitions and rituals convey supernatural powers during final exams!

While many ignorant students slave over outlines and hornbooks, students "plugged into their psychic powers" miraculously succeed with little or no effort.

A recent survey of students revealed that obeying mindless rituals and superstitions during the final exam period is a common practice at M-W. I'lls, take note. It's not too late to take advantage of these windows to the occult.

The following are rituals and superstitions actually used by M-W students to improve their grades. They are guaranteed to work—unless of course you are a "non-believer" and don't trust "the Force."

- KISS THE KORAN: Shireen Tabechian (2L) lays one on the holy text before every exam. Tabechian doesn't claim any divine intervention as a result of the maneuver, but says the ritual helps her calm down.
- RIDE THE ELEVATOR: Mark A. Donald (3L) said he never takes the library staircase during final exams, opting for the elevator instead. Donald could not explain the supernatural effect of this practice, but said it began when he injured his knee during his first year.
- EAT PILLS: Swallowing an antacid tablet and an aspirin before each exam is the key to success for Jennifer Ramey (3L). Ramey said the communion of "Tums and aspirin" keeps her from getting nauseous when she sees the exam questions.
- MAMA MIA THERAPY: Jean King (2L) credits her success in listening to "O Sole Mio," as sung by Luciano Pavoratti, before many dreaded exams.
- REVERSE READ: Andrea Masciale (3L) religiously reads her examinations backwards, from last question to first, to improve her performance. This obsession has no explanation, but works well with some exams, Masciale reports.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS: That's the attitude of J. Connell (1L), who reportedly wears a suit and tie to each exam.

TEA: "I drink a lot of tea... and it's always Earl Grey Tea," says Rod Simmons (2L). One drawback here, Simmons reports, is the need to visit the men's room during exams.

WEAR LUCKY CLOTHING/JEWELRY: This old favorite is widely employed at M-W. Kirstin Mueller (2L) said she has been wearing her lucky Jamaican earrings to most exams since she was a sophomore in college.

PRETEND YOU'RE NOT ENROLLED: Leeanne Morris (3L) believes that the keys to success are to not read anything all semester and attend classes as possible. She swears by the practice, claiming that last semester her GPA climbed exponentially using this method.

SHAVE BEFORE EXAM: Dozens of students—men and women—took the time-tested ritual of not shaving during final exams. Tyler Goodwyn (3L) let his locks grow long and sported a goatee during final semester's exams. But Goodwyn said the results on his transcript were mixed. He hasn't as yet formalized a plan for his final set of finals.

"I keep trying new [superstitions], but haven't come up with any that work yet," Goodwyn said.

Dozens of other supernatural keys to success are out there, but some must be kept secret, according to law. Sources tell us that if the rituals are overused, their powers will be diluted.

Perhaps most alarming are reports that some professors practice sadistic rituals before exams. Rumors could not be confirmed that one CoA Law professor's room contains a chicken and drips its blood over the 1L composite before each exam, a la Hialeha v. Church of the Lukumi Babalu Aye.

Looking to the history of superstitions, an eerie connection to M-W emerges:

"Superstition is the religion of feeble minds," wrote Edmund Burke in 1790—astonishingly, this was soon after M-W was founded.

Then, in the year of M-W's 30th anniversary, 1899—while John Marshall was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court—Goethe reported, "Superstition is the poetry of life."

Then, as Marshall-Wythe's bicentennial approached, Stevie Wonder—obviously reaffirming the tie between M-W and the supernatural—sang in conclusion: "Silly superstition. Writing on the wall."

Clearly, the M-W mysticism is powerful! Tap into it, or be forever cursed.

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From staff reports

MOUTHING OFF BOTH SIDES OF HIS HEAD: New Jersey skinhead Dominick Bruno denounced Nazism and said he'll begin speaking out against racism, but he won't let his hair grow over his swastika tattoo. (USA Today)

"PLANNERS ARE MOREB THAN GOD HIMSELF: "A plan for Tyson's Corner [Va.] would transform it from a sprawling urban center choked by traffic into an urban oasis with tree-lined walkways, planners say." (USA Today)

CALIFORNIA REAMIN': Actors auditioning for a skit on the Arsenio Hall Show say casting director Lawrence Amoros made them drop their drawers and submit to a hands-on interactive abdominal experience. (US/Express)

A SOCIALIST BY ANY OTHER NAME: Moments after criticizing William & Mary's Socialist Club, Rep. Herb Bariean (R-Va.) said governments should seize the children of a certain "segment of the population that doesn't know the support of the family unit" and raise them in "orphanges," since "they need to come out of the homes." (Flat Hat)

MORE CONFUSED POLITICIANS: Vladimir Zhirinovsky is Jewish, and once permitted to emigrate to Israel. He changed his name from Eidelestein to fool those wily Soviet college admissions officers. (Washington Post) Yorkshire horror films a woman in his representation in the Euro-parliament. "I know the enemy from within...and how to say non," she says. (London Times)

THE FRENCH ALWAYS HAVE THE PERFECT PHRASE: A French socialist quite sincerely praised conservative Prime Minister Edouard Balladur for not being "a prisoner of convictions." (Spectator)

SO DO THE AMERICANS, IN THEIR OWN WAY: Bill Clinton is a "tail-waggering" Wood Dog, while Bob Dole is a "Water Pig—more pure than ivory soap," says pseudo-Chinese astrologer Suzanne White. (American Spectator)

DOG LOGIC: Afghans, basenjis and bulldogs are the world's dumbest dogs; border collies are the smartest, though some labradors can count to five, Stanley Coren writes in The Intelligence of Dogs. "Brighter dogs are able to figure out what we intend, and keep several things in mind," he said. Slow dogs "can only keep one idea in their mind. If anything else comes along, they're off." (London Times)

MAKING DEMOCRACY INTERESTING: Spectator chairman Alan Scott proposed issuing guns to all airplane passengers, so hijacking would only succeed when a majority favored it. (Spectator)

RIGHT TO KEEP ARMS: Ross Co., Ohio, sheriff Bill Knott is keeping Raymond Kellogg's false arm as "evidence" until he pays for a window he broke with it. (USA Today)

LIFESTYLES OF THE PATHETIC AND POINTLESS: Dick Vowles of Hereford, Eng., entered a newspaper contest every week from 1928 to 1994, but never won until last month. When notified, he was dead. (Observer)

GET INVOLVED IN WHITESTAR:

Whitewater president James McDougal offered the development to the public for $19.95 as a "time concept. Buyers "won't exist until dead," but must dig it up themselves. (London Times)

IF THEY'RE WATCHING IT, THEY HAVE NO TIME TO DO IT: Alarmed by birthsrates in northern provinces, Filipino president R. gave all northerners free cable TV to give them something else to do. (London Times)

BLEEDING AWARDS: Dr. Ian Fairbrother of Harrogate, Eng., fell 400 feet when his hang glider and parachute failed—and lived! Then he stood up—and died. "The way he was lying had stopped the flow of blood from a wound to his heart," London's Times explained.

U.K. POLICE MIND THEIR OWN BUSINESS: A man who never revealed his name was released from a Swansea, Wales jail after serving 74 days for jumping on a car. A police spokesman said the man chatted amiably about the weather, sports and politics, but "we will never be sure who he was." (London Times)
**Simplex Dictum**

by Jeff Regner

**Zhu know dat sometimes a penal code is just a penal code.**

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**Life After Law School**

Newspaper’s tenuous beginning remembered by a founder

**BY DAVID ZIEMER**

If you forgive me, I will deviate from the usual format, if this column can be said to have a regular format. The recent reporting of the Margaret Thatcher visit, and the Letter to the Editor by Keith Finch have caused me to reminisce of late about the formation of the *Amicus Curiae* (Hi, Keith). I decided it was time that someone recorded the history of this newspaper’s formation.

On Halloween, 1990, a party was held at which was gathered George Leedom, formerly the sports editor of the *Newspaper*, and John Robinson and myself. We started chatting about how shitty the year was that year. The editorial board of the *Femi-nazi* newspaper at that time consisted solely of thermore, absolutely no distinction was made between editorial opinions and news stories. Our only views given expression. Furthermore, absolutely no distinction was made between editorial opinions and news stories. The resolution was made to form an independent newspaper, in which any law student with something to say could say it, in the editorial section, and the news would be straightforward and void of political slant.

When second semester came around, the plan was set into action. Leedom was the creative genius of the paper, and was the first Co-Editor. Richard Brooks ('92) was the Richard Daley of the second-year class, a one-man political machine, bankrolled the project and also served as Co-Editor. Jenny Click ('92) actually knew how to produce a newspaper, and was Managing Editor. I was considered sufficiently left-wing to nip in the bud any rumors that we were '92 was the Richard Daley of the second-year class, a one-man political machine, bankrolled the project and also served as Co-Editor. Jenny Click ('92) actually knew how to produce a newspaper, and was Managing Editor. I was considered sufficiently left-wing to nip in the bud any rumors that we were

It con­ didn’t pretty, but it was substantive, and about three times as big as a standard *Advocate*. The issue’s main feature was a story about a Harvard professor who stifled the *Law Review* out of an article after being paid for it. The paper contained a copy of a letter then-Dean Timothy Sullivan sent to the *Law Review* that was supposed to be confidential. It created quite a stir, and created the legend that the *Amicus* digs through the Dean’s wastebasket for stories. That first issue was done without the benefit of Pagemaker. The first task was that, at 4 a.m., the rest of us just wanted to get the paper out, and weren’t much interested in the finer aspects of the program. But the perfectionism was worth it—Keith made the *Amicus* look like a real newspaper, and saved us all hours of tedious labor.

After the second issue, Brooks decided to run for SBA President, and resigned as Co-Editor, to be replaced by Click. We also managed to get the SBA to front us enough money to remain in operation. After the third issue, we tried unsuccessfully to merge with the *Advocate*, and then prepared for a hostile takeover. Click applied for editorial for the *Advocate* for next year. The *Advocate*’s hand-picked successor was a buffoon whose sole newspaper experience consisted of writing editorials for the *Advocate* about some imaginary strawman he called ‘Joe Six Pack.’ The Publications Council selected the buffoon, however, and it appeared that the *Amicus Curiae* might not survive.

The final issue of the year came out on April Fool’s Day, and in the middle of the paper was an extended humor section called *The Ambulance Chaser*. It contained the most satiric, vicious, and vitriolic attacks on the *Advocate*, and the individuals working of it, imaginable. An entire year of dissatisfaction with the *Advocate* spewed forth with untempered rage. It was the opinion of the *Amicus* that we had thus far handled the competi­tion between the papers with grace and

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**NINA HVÁL**

**NICHOLAS ROEGNER**

**SHERYL HART**

**SHELLEY EVANS**
Third Year Superlatives: Most Likely To . . .

- know more about you than you do: Judy Conti
- buy Jerry Garcia a skeleton and assemble it in her living room: Debbi Holmes
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- approach law students in Central Park yelling "International Shoe! Give me a quarter!": Jeff Smith
- have a contract taken out on his life by the Mafia: Matt Holloran
- negotiate the contract: Ben Landon
- be arrested for vagrancy: Mark Donald
- be swept up by a Kansas tornado and teleported to Oz: Krista Pollard
- greet her there: Kim Van Horn
- be subpoenaed to testify before Congress: Marcia Stuart
- defend a heavy metal band against charges of inciting suicide: Bill Madigan
- be detained on I-95 for matching a D.E.A. profile: Mark Capron
- be jailed for contempt for telling the judge "Go Fuck Yourself, I don't care what you think!": Lee Stokes
- be kicked in the head by a polo pony: Monty Brinsley-Motto
- suffer from atopoly of the vocal cords: Nika Nystrom
- filibuster: Paul Reasons
- be mistaken for Jeff Goloolly: Patrick Pettit
- send many legacies to Georgetown: Andrea Masciale
- be a kept man: Mark Donald
- be maced by Court bailiffs for talking in the gallery: Fred Jacob and Judy Conti
- be saved by the "jaws of life": Fred Ochsenshirt.
- advocate the violent overthrow of the government: Ben Landon
- become a DEA agent: John Einstein
- be hosted by him: Chet Nunoo-Quarcoo
- be Fred Lederer's love child: Lisa McGuinn
- be Buchanan's appointee to the Supreme Court: Kyle Johnson
- advertise a "HURT" line: Rob Lloyd
- seek political office: John Brownlee
- be elected to political office: David Lee
- be impeached: Kyle Short
- assume his position (reluctantly): Dave Delk
- win the Dinah Shore Open: Amy Hooks
- appear on the Nashville Network: Terri Bourbon
- become one with the Earth: Rebecca Mordini
- take Elmer Schaeffer's place as contracts professor: David Spooner
- be "dethroned" by the Russians: John Davidson
- appear on Beavis and Butthead: Tim Bird
- play Little Orphan Annie in the next revival: Lee Stokes
- purchase big-ticket items with double a's in their names: David Haase
- become a bookie: Pete Kubin
- have her designs featured in Vogue: Gina Love
- model them: Laurie Hartman
- pose as Rob Kaplan's OCPP Poster Child: Vaishali Shetty
- be a plaintiff in the slip-and-fall case: Kathy Philpott
- be corporate counsel to SeaWorld: Tara Flynn
- teach law at Regent: Christy McClelland
- be brought up on ethics charges: Dave Hopkins
- quit his night job at 7-11: Bill Trevez
- win big in Atlantic City: Brian Platnick
- devote the remainder of his life to discovering Phish guitar licks: Marc Bernstein
- pose as centerfold in Dangerous Master: Tom Martin
- be detained in a foreign jail: Brian Algerstein

SHELLEY

Shelley says she "has needs," but they apparently don't include needing a car or even knowing how to drive. She enjoys taking advantage of the state-of-the-art public transportation system in Williamsburg because it's the only way she can make friends.

The only drawback is that she has no sense of time. Shelley doesn't hesitate to call friends all hours of the day and night to demand that they take her to Dunkin' Doughnuts or Taco Bell.

But this obnoxious behavior is understandable since Shelley is a native New Yorker.

SHERYL

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NINA

You may have seen Nina power walking with a five-pound weight in each hand, biking, jogging, or running. She says she doesn't need a car because it might hinder her quest for physical perfection. And her frequent trips to Prince George Coffee Shop for coffeee would only make her a hazard on the road anyway.

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Angelic Aaron Neville and hard-rocking Candlebox

By ELEANOR BORDEAUX and SCOTT LAYMAN

Aaron Neville--The Grand Tour

The latest release from Aaron Neville gives the sweet-voiced singer from New Orleans a chance to put his personal touch on some old tunes.

On this CD, Neville covers songs by artists as diverse as Bob Dylan, Marvin Gaye, Leonard Cohen, and Chuck Berry. Neville’s voice is the highlight of the songs as more emphasis is placed on his vocal abilities. The music suffices as background.

Several songs could serve as background music for romantic scenes in a movie. Neville is joined by Linda Ronstadt in a beautiful duet, “The Song of Bernadette.” People who enjoyed the previous collaborations between these two artists, including “I Don’t Know Much,” will undoubtedly love this one. In “These Foolish Things,” the combination of piano and saxophone takes the listener away to a smoke-filled bar. This is one of the most unique performances on this release.

Smolla play a success, but actors should keep their day jobs

By VANESSA PETERSON

Law students who were not glued to their televisions for the NCAA finals last Monday had the opportunity to witness fellow students bringing drama to life in the Williamsburg premiere of The Trial of Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The play, written by Professor Rod Smolla, generated lots of interest and laughter from the audience, who definitely get up to a thumb-up from this reviewer.

The most interesting part of the evening was seeing law students do something non-analytical, whether in the classroom or on the stage. It definitely gets two thumbs up from this reviewer.

The most interesting part of the evening was seeing law students do something non-analytical. Surprisingly, the acting was very good, but I would recommend more performances before the cast quit law school to wait for more starring roles.

By Peter Schiron (IL), Make-up Artist Allison Lowery (WD&M ’96) and Script Editor Beth Weatherly (2L), a terrific job of turning these law students into believable characters on stage. My only criticism of the make-up is that the actors’ hair was not part of the character. The actors’ hair was not cut or styled appropriately in many cases.

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a law office opening is illegal advertising, and holding it in a courthouse implies improper influence over judges, a Berlin court said. Its injunction gave Mayer, Brown & Platt great publicity. (id.)

CURSES, FOILED AGAIN: Nonrefundable retainers are unethical, New York’s Court of Appeals held. (Law Week).

IRS QUESTIONS SETTLEMENTS: The IRS can challenge a court- approved settlement. The IRS is not bound to avoid taxes, the Tax Court said. (Lawyers Weekly USA).

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Neighbors Who Care offers counseling as well as direct assistance to victims in the form of replacing broken locks, doors, windows, and locks. The focus is on property crimes because victims’ services groups for more serious crimes already exist.

The Christian groups are non-denominational; the Montgomery group has 15 churches; seven of the 15 are African-American.

Barnes asked that although the volunteers are committed Christians, they are not a proselytizing organization.
**Cinema Cynicism**

**The Ref** relieves homesickness for city of bad attitudes

By SHELLEY EVANS

Gritty, realistic, pessimistic, fast-paced. Such adjectives make me wish for home. Seeing *The Ref* was the perfect antidote for my homesickness.

A word of caution. This is not a movie for the light-hearted. Although produced by Disney, *The Ref* is not of the same genre as Beauty and the Beast. The characters have attitudes—bad attitudes. And the movie takes place over the Christmas holidays, yet this is not the Christmas immortalized in Frank Capra movies—although a spilt of It's A Wonderful Life is shown in one scene merely for contrast.

This is the kind of Christmas in which everything goes wrong. Everyone is forced, through tradition, to spend the holiday with people they hate, and they are not adept at hiding their true feelings. It is a lot like real life.

Briefly, *The Ref* stars Denis Leary, of MTV and Nike commercial fame, as a small-time thief on his “retirement” heist on Christmas Eve in a small, but affluent, town in Connecticut. Through a series of foibles that result in a manhunt, Leary kidnaps a married couple and hides out in their house. But the couple, played brilliantly by Kevin Spacey and Judy Davis, are too busy throwing diries at each other to care that Leary has a gun which he might use at any moment. This recreation of George and Martha in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* provides continuous laughs in this dark tale. Leary spends a lot of time yelling, “Shut up! I have a gun” into the deaf ears of a couple whose bickering knows no limits.

Added to this scenario are the other relatives who descend upon this house of horrors for Christmas dinner. These include the son who, not surprisingly, is as neurotic as his parents, the mother-in-law who has been blamed for a lot of Spacey and Davis’ marital problems, Spacey’s “mousey” brother-in-law and his loud-mouthed wife with their suffering children.

The mother-in-law, played by Glynis Johns, who is most known for her antithetical performance as the mother in *Mary Poppins*, delivers the best line in the film when Leary threatens her with his gun and she replies, “You think I’m scared of you? I was married for 25 years!” Later in the film, Leary retorts, in a reference to the mother-in-law’s deceased husband, “Your husband’s not dead; he’s just hiding.”

Leary’s talents have never been better utilized on film. (Does anyone even recall him in his two previous big screen outings? Enough said.) *The Ref* certainly does not stretch his abilities; one is not sure if Leary can act by the end of the film. But Leary does execute his stand-up persona as the chain-smoking, short-tempered, bitter, tense, fed-up, angry man! Leary’s character is one step beyond standing in front of an open window yelling, “I’m mad as hell and I’m not going to take it anymore!”

The film is directed by Ted Demme, cousin to Academy Award winning Jonathan Demme (*Silence of the Lambs, Married to the Mob*). Demme shot the MTV tirades that first brought Leary fame as well as Leary’s Showtime gig entitled, *No Cure for Cancer*.

Demme should be commended for the strong attention to detail throughout the film which enhances the characters to prevent them from being one-dimensional whirring dervishes, especially in the climactic Christmas-dinner scene.

*The Ref* is not an Oscar-calibre film, but it did provide some mean-spirited laughs throughout, which is not an easy task.

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**Double D BBQ delivers; offers down-home food cheap**

By LEEANNE MORRIS

As exams approach, many of you may remember what little choices there are in the "Burg for food that can be delivered to your door or the law school lobby.

If you are tired of the pizza/Chinese/delitti rotation, you might be interested to know about Double D Bar-B-Que, which offers free delivery for orders of $10 or more.

Located on Rt. 60 just up from Ft. MacGruder Inn, Double D is not your typical Pierce's-type bar-b-que place. While it does offer a pulled pork bar-b-que sandwich on its list of various sandwiches, its real specialty is ribs—beef, pork, baby back or hickory smoked.

Perhaps the most popular item on the menu is the All You Can Eat Beef Ribs for $9.95.

Alas, this place is NOT for vegetarians... I mean, vegetarians... and it's not for people who are afraid to make a mess when they eat. Fortunately, the height ratio from booth to table is just right for elbows-on-the-table chowin' down.

But despite the down-home atmosphere of Double D, it maintains a certain sophistication with a wine list, which features the Williamsburg Winery, and an eclectic porcine art collection that puts M-W’s shrine annex to shame.

The restaurant offers daily lunch specials for $3.95 and dinner specials, which are some variation of chicken, beef, or pork. All dinner entrees come with soup or salad and your choice of baked beans, corn on the cob, baked potato, french fries, potato salad, cole slaw or vegetable of the day.

Not being big rib fans, my dinner consisted of the Spare Rib appetizer. While the ribs were a bit fatty, they were so tender they literally melted in our mouths, and the sauce was heaven.

Unfortunately, we were late for the dinner hour, not arriving until 9 p.m. This caused much indecision as to what choices I would have with my entree, because the restaurant had run out of salad.

They were also out of corn on the cob because, they said, it was out of season. Fair enough. But they were also out of ice cream—an demise in Marc’s view.

Because salad was not an option, I had the black bean soup instead, which was less than satisfying—the beans weren’t cooked enough, and it had unnecessary bits of pork in it.

However, both of our entrees were very enjoyable. Marc ordered a pulled pork sandwich, because he felt this was the true test of a bar-b-que place. He seemed to enjoy it, but I am always disappointed with anything that is not true North Carolina-style bar-b-que, which this was not.

We topped off our meal with the cheeseburger, which was smothered with strawberry topping and whipped cream. It was good, but then again, like sex, there’s no such thing as bar-b-que.

While maybe not one of Williamsburg’s finer restaurants, Double D offers good down-home, stick-to-your-ribs food at bargain prices... and they deliver! Call 229-3166.

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"journalism."

As I watched Mr. North’s speech, it was obvious that both supporters and detractors of Mr. North were present. Why were the numerous supporters of Mr. North hardly even mentioned in the article? The article recognizes the presence of and mentions only those who do not support Mr. North.

Reference was made to the question of Ken Cuccinelli’s winning. I saw the article, quoted Mr. North, and then stated: “generated the biggest laugh from the audience when he referred to Ronald Reagan as the greatest living American President.”

While not entirely sure what your correspondent was watching, I saw the students laugh because they knew of Mr. North’s recent embarrassment at the hands of President Reagan.

The reference to President Reagan as "the greatest living American President" generated the loudest round of applause of the evening, to my recollection.

Derogatory signs and occasional hissing by detractors of Mr. North were noted by your reporter. This conduct is certainly not condoned, as similar conduct seems to be in your editorial “Out of Our Heads” in the same edition.

The article refers to Major General Richard Secord as “General Serpent.” Additionally, the use of the word “South” to refer to the reader to the continuation of the article objectively report news. If so, it continues to define “objective” the way it does now it is a farce and an insult to the intelligence of its readers.

—Dan McNerney (1L)

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honor. After learning of the misrepresentations about our paper made by the Editor of the Advocate to the Publications Council, however, and having nothing left to lose, we decided to let loose.

Shortly thereafter, a Bill of Rights Symposium on journalism was held, which was attended by the current editor, Leanne Morris (3L), who at the time, was planning to italicize the following year. Were it not for her commitment, the paper would have folded. She really was the sole reason the paper survived. Another blessing came that summer, when the Amicus was named the best law school newspaper in the country at theABA convention.

I caught right to work that year and had two issues out before the Advocate had one. Eventually, the Advocate put an issue out, and shortly thereafter, its Editor dropped out of law school in shame. Jenny again applied for the position of editor of the Advocate, and this time succeeded. Since then, the paper gets state funding and no longer has to beg and borrow to survive. That’s about all the history I can print without embarrassing someone or confessing to a violation of the Virginia Code. Suffice it to say that we stepped at nothing to bring to M-W a student newspaper that would provide a voice for all students. From today’s view, it seems as if the Amicus would have collapsed. However, in the first year of its existence, almost every issue was produced with the knowledge that it could very well be the last.
Storyteller recites tales, stresses importance of oral history

By CAROLINE BOUTWELL

Our society may hear, but it really does not listen, says Dylan Pritchett, who presented "The Storyteller" to an M-W audience on March 24. Using African participation and African stories and music, Pritchett explained the importance of oral history.

Pritchett began his presentation by telling the audience of the griot, an African musician, oral historian, and storyteller who served as a village's collective memory. Acting as our griot, Pritchett told three stories.

The first was a tale of a girl in Angola, who, during a drought, was able to ask a beautiful fish for water. She eventually fell in love with the fish, and on the seventh day after their meeting, the girl and the fish married. The girl's father eventually asked where the girl found the beautiful, clear water, and the girl refused to answer him. Finally, the father discovered her marriage to the fish and killed him, fearing for the family's reputation in the village. By killing the fish, the father refused to respect and learn about the differences in other people. Pritchett explained that it is through these differences, and our appreciation of them, that we learn new and beautiful things.

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continued, pursue marriage far past the point of diminishing returns.

Allen also read extensively from Confessions of a Failed Southern Lady, the autobiography of Florence King, who is the National Review's lesbian columnist. King was raised by her forceful maternal grandmother and her father, while her mother worked to support the family. Her parents were strong-willed people with very little in common, but they stuck together contentedly as long as they had Florence to raise and the grandmother to put up with.

King's grandmother raised her to be a "lady," one who outwardly observed certain protocols and thus was able to insist on respect and deference from men. As her father observed, quoting Cervantes, "A lady is a woman who can make herself respected even among an army of soldiers." King's most important lesson was that, as a lady, she was able to live exactly as she wished and still get along perfectly with her conservative neighbors.

This neglected truth is the key to the increasing problem of sexual harassment, Allen believes. Rigid, formal systems of manners put a high value on human dignity and privacy, and frustrate the aims of overreachers and control freaks. Being inflexible, they protect everyone equally and constrain the powerless.

Therefore, Allen blamed the explosion of sexual harassment cases on the trendy informality adopted by workplaces in the 1960s and '70s, and on the utter abandonment of any predictable rules governing social life and mating. Both these trends unfortunately coincided with women's increasing presence in the workplace.

Allen said employers—and women themselves—should insist on observance of the formal, businesslike manners that made it possible to see the freedom she felt within herself.

Through music, Pritchett explained the differences between African and European ways of hearing. In African music, the beat is stressed on counts two and four, as opposed to the European stress on beats one and three. European music also prefers melody and harmony over rhythm. These differences highlight our approaches to listening: by listening to only a melody or only to a rhythm, we often ignore the song as a whole.

In West Africa, drums serve as the most commonly used instrument. Used for music, the drums also function to communicate phonetically. Through five different sounds, performances play additive rhythms, which are played to one beat, or divisive rhythms, which is similar to European 12/8 time. Pritchett asked audience members to play the dog drum, gourds, a sakara drum and a hand drum. Despite some initial problems (I was one of the "musicians"), the players eventually performed a five-part rhythm.

A former historical director for Colonial Williamsburg, Pritchett is now a full-time storyteller, visiting over 100 schools each year. Pritchett is a fine storyteller, and through his animated facial expressions and gentle voice, he communicates more than just a story. He stressed the importance of listening and remembering, as opposed to relying exclusively on the written word.

Finally, Pritchett stressed the importance of oral history as both a means of education and as a means of connecting the past to the present. Reminding the audience of the griot who could tell listeners the story of their ancestors, Pritchett said the griot added imagination to people's lives, because "reality is too difficult."
Demon drummers make joyful noise, will return Friday

By JOHN CROUCH

Last December's percussion concert at Ewell proved that newsmen can be used as drummers. Now a Japanese band called Ondekoza has shown W&M how a 700-pound VW-sized drum can make a sound like softly rustling leaves, as well as making a noise so big it feels like a second heartbeat.

Ondekoza is billed as "Demon Drummers," but this is probably a mistranslation from something that simply means "mischievous" or "joyful." One piece began on 20-pound drums to establish a rhythm, then continued using popguns, ginsu, squash, a miniature train, bows and arrows, an abacus, table legs and a toy submachine gun. This is a great show to take kids to, but leave the dog at home.

The band played at Phi Beta Kappa Hall on March 27 and 28, and will be at Menchville High School Friday, April 15 at 7:30. The school is in the part of Newport News that is near Williamsburg, at 275 Menchville Road, just off Rt. 60.

Another piece took the concept of "dueling banjos" to an unduly physical and intimate level, until finally the brothers A-Ryhohei and Un-Kohei Inoue let go of each other's shantisens and ran off and grabbed an American banjo and fiddle to finish the job.

One member ran on a treadmill for the entire 20-minute length of the first piece, which was about the joy and drama of running. (On their last U.S. tour the band ran across the whole country.)

The group's only female member played a wood-stove-sized drum, traditionally a male instrument, and did a sort of martial-arts dance with parasols and fans. During most of the group's numbers, four loinclothed men beat on Volkswagen-sized drums mounted above their heads, standing on tiptoe to reach the drums' rims.

The concert's climax was the ritual of the okaido, or "big drum." Two drummers stood on a construction-dumpster-sized platform decorated with white horses and paper lanterns, let the silence and darkness build, and then hauled off and beat on the 700-lb. okaido from both ends in unmitting desperation.

The ceremony tells the story of two villages fighting over water rights in a seven-year drought. They decided to use drummers instead of lawyers to decide their fate. After a drumming contest, the losers took responsibility and committed suicide.

However, the suicide debt is not apparent from the music, unless one is a far better interpreter of such things than I. Ondekoza's repertoire ranges from high-minded exuberance, and the joyfully dogged rhythms of hard work, to just plain clowning around.

Tickets for Friday's performance are $5 prepaid, $7 at the door. For tickets or information call Lorie at 804-888-0000.

You don't have to be crazy to be here, but it certainly helps

By PAULA HANNAFORD

It was not until this spring that I discovered a not-so-surprisingly close connection between the hallowed halls of Marshall-Wythe and the historic "Eastern Lunatic Asylum," now known as Eastern State Hospital (ESH).

After a visit to the Dewitt-Wallace Gallery, CW's museum/cafeteria/reconstructed 18th century insane asylum, a visiting friend remarked, "Isn't that special! The country's oldest law school is located conveniently next to the country's oldest insane asylum. It must be the de-institutionalization movement that explains why so many lawyers are around today."

Yes, dear students and fellow-inmates, our beloved law school (as well as the Dewitt-Wallace Gallery, the Williamsburg ICC Courthouse, the National Center for State Courts, and the Gladplex) sits on none other than the original grounds of ESH. The institution gradually abandoned its prime real estate location in favor of a substantial plot of land off Ironbound Road.

Although contemporary wisdom speculates that the hospital moved in response to prorading and financial incursions from CW, which was rapidly expanding its downtown holdings at the time, I'm inclined to believe lifelong Williamsburg resident Sandra McDaniel's opinion that the hospital administration was trying to escape the constant that it was difficult to tell the difference between the hospital patients and W&M students. Undoubtedly, the hospital administration considered the comparison too hypocritical to disturb the patients.

I visited ESH last week (only temporarily) to find out more about the hospital's less-obvious connections to the law school and was treated to a wealth of historical information by ESH's Director of Library Sciences, Blanton McLean.

During the two centuries that ESH occupied its "downtown" facility, for example, the buildings on its 162-acre grounds were landmarks on the Williamsburg skyline. The Dewitt-Wallace Gallery, which was the hospital's original main administration building and infirmary, was surrounded by a host of other structures including the women's and men's wards, dining facilities, treatment and farm buildings.

The infamous "Male Barn," which is rumored to shortly become a W&M Bookstore annex, did, in fact, house the hospital's livestock. However, according to McLean, the building is apparently misnamed insofar as it housed the only animals the hospital kept in that building.

Of particular interest to W&M students, however, may be the building which occupied the site of the law school before its construction in the late 1970s. The "Brown Building," (see picture) built in 1926, housed the hospital's medical and surgical facilities as well as its "seclusion rooms" for particularly disruptive patients.

The local rumor, according to McDaniel, was that this building housed the hospital's "most dangerously psychiatric patients," and that the most violent patients were kept on the uppermost floor, never to be seen alive again. (We're sure it's only coincidence that the faculty offices are all located on the top floor of M-W. Admittedly, the Amicus office is also on the second floor, but we readily concede to our own particular brand of lunacy.)

However, a look at the building's floor plans, compliments of McLean, shows that the "seclusion rooms," furnished only with a mattress on the floor and shackles on the wall, were the only animals the hospital kept in that building.

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To the hospital's credit, its records indicate that it performed far fewer sterilizations, as well as other treatments of questionable medical or psychiatric benefit to patients, than many of its sister hospitals around the state.

This more enlightened approach of encouraging patients to live in the community and interact with the residents to the greatest extent possible.

Although possibly afflicted by mental illness himself (he was frequently absent from the hospital for weeks at a time due to depression and committed suicide after Union troops captured the hospital in 1862), McLean proposed the novel (but not widely accepted) theory that mental illness was the result of "civilized" society rather than biological factors. Observing the relative lack of mental illness among Native American populations, Galt wrote in 1847 that "Correlative with the extent to which a nation is civilized, seems the comparative liability of its population to the ravages of mental disease."

In the same report, Galt made a comprehensive report of the characteristics of the 184 patients who were then living at the hospital, listing their diagnoses, the presumed causes of their illness, and some rudimentary demographic information including their respective occupation. Surprisingly, only one lawyer appears in his inventory, but that fact is more likely due to the lower per capita number of attorneys at that time than from any innate lack of craziness in the profession.

I left ESH after my visit with McLean with a new appreciation for some of the history of the law school and its connections to other institutions in the community. Nonetheless, I couldn't help thinking of the vivid description of ESH patients peering at the passers-by on South Henry Street through the wrought-iron fence that surrounded the hospital grounds. Those patients now have been replaced by forlorn-looking law students peering from the windows of the library. As always, the more things change, the more they stay the same.
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<td>• Give Life: BLSA Blood Drive, Center for State Courts, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Italian Film: We All Loved Each Other So Much, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Washington Hall Rm. 201. Free.</td>
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<td>• Play Ball: Jackie Robinson becomes first Black in major league baseball (1947).</td>
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<td>• Sexual Assault Awareness Week: “Dream Worlds and the Media.” S. E. Chase from Virginians Against Domestic Violence will hold a presentation and discussion regarding how women are portrayed in the media, specifically in rock music videos. University Center James Room, 8 to 9:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>Tuesday, April 12</td>
<td>• Colloquium: “Corruptibility and Children: The Exclusion of Children from Political Power in 17th- and 18th-Century England and America,” Holly Brewer of U.C.L.A.; Institute Library, Swem Library, 7:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Library CD-ROM Demonstration: CIS Congressional Masterfile Reference Area, 2-5 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Strike up the band: Happy Birthday to Lionel Hampton, orchestra leader (1913).</td>
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<td>• As Phony As A... Two-dollar bill reintroduced as U.S. currency, filed again (1976).</td>
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<td>• Sexual Assault Awareness Week: The Clothesline Project. The Clothesline is a testimony to battered women. It is constructed of t-shirts decorated by the survivors themselves or by those close to women who have been murdered. Information tables from Avalon, Virginians Against Domestic Violence, Virginians Against Sexual Assault, and the W&amp;M Counseling Center will be present both at the Counseling Center and at the exhibit. University Center Lobby, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Town &amp; Gown Luncheon: “Bulgaria: Mountains, Monasteries and Muddled Politics,” William Lorio, Fulbright Lecturer in Bulgaria from April to July 1993, Chesapeake Room, University Center, 12:15 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Showtime: A talent show showcasing college and local talent, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Commonwealth Auditorium, University Center, 8 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Step Show: Featuring all African-American Greek Lettered Organizations on this campus, Commonwealth Auditorium, University Center, 10 p.m. Party to follow in the Tidewater Room, U.C.</td>
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<td>• W&amp;M Theatre: The Rivals, PBK, 2 p.m., Admission $5.</td>
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<td>• Rec Sports Trip: to USAir Arena (MD) to see Boston Celtics vs. Washington Bullets game. Bus will leave from Rec Center, 8:30 a.m., and return at approximately 7:30 p.m. Cost of $39 includes transportation by deluxe motor coach with movies and snacks. Proceeds will benefit the Outdoor Rental Center. Call 221-3312.</td>
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<td>• Italian Film: The Icicle Thief. Washington Hall Rm. 201, 2p.m. and 7 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Concert: The William and Mary Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Laura Rexroth, PBK, 8 p.m. Admission $2.</td>
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<td>• Fundraiser: ILS/CEELI Luncheon to raise funds to ship law libraries to Eastern Europe. Pizza, Soda and Cake. Law School Patio from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. $5 donation.</td>
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<td>• Town &amp; Gown Luncheon: Topic TBA, Chesapeake Room, University Center, 12:15 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Transnistria needs your Tax Code: The Central and Eastern European Law Initiative needs your commercial outlines and statutory compilations. Consult Nina Hval (2L).</td>
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<td>Friday, April 22</td>
<td>• Hurrah: LAST DAY OF CLASSES!!!</td>
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<td>• Concert: W&amp;M Choral Spring Concert, PBK, 8 p.m. Admission $4.</td>
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<td>• Talent Show: Blue and White Expo sponsored by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., University Center, Time TBA.</td>
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<td>• Professor gets Gig: Trotter Hardy and the Katatonics at O’Callaghan’s.</td>
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<td>• 5th Annual “Evening at the Muscarelle”: A spectacular evening of visual and performing arts with sit-down dinner (optional black tie), sponsored by the Council of the Muscarelle Museum to benefit the museum, Muscarelle Museum, 8 p.m. Tickets $75 per person. Call 221-2700.</td>
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<td>Sunday, April 24</td>
<td>• Spring Concert: Botetourt Chamber Singers, Wren Chapel, 3 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Send Gilberts to Abkhazia: Ask Nina Hval (2L) how you can help spread our rich tradition of Anglo-American common law across the barren steppes.</td>
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<td>Tuesday, April 26</td>
<td>• Colloquium: Sponsored by Institute of American History and Culture entitled “Fishing and Whist: Sports and Games in Colonial New England,” Bruce C. Daniels, University of Winnipeg; and Fellow, National Humanities Institute; Institute Library, Swem Library (East side door), 7:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>• W&amp;M Orchestra: A program of dramatic music by Grieg and Beethoven, University Center, Commonwealth Hall, 8 p.m. Free, but tickets required. Tickets may be obtained at Commonwealth Hall box office 30 minutes before performance. Groups may get advance tickets by calling 221-1089.</td>
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<td>Wednesday, April 27</td>
<td>• Ewell Concert Series: Matthias Kirchnereit, pianist, Ewell Recital Hall, 8 p.m. $2, but W&amp;M students admitted free w/ID.</td>
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<td>• Give the Gift of Law: CEELI needs your old study aids &amp; statues.</td>
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A Duck Out of Water

NFL players should grow up, catch random baseball fever

By ALAN DUCKWORTH

This is my last column of the year. Where has the year gone? It seems like just yesterday I watched the Braves beat the Giants in a pennant race for the ages and now baseball season has resumed with the two teams in different divisions. Times change, yet I am still here. So for my final column, let’s get the show on the road.

BASEBALL . . . For those of you who have not been paying attention, it’s baseball season, my favorite sporting season. This year in particular, I have a really bad case of baseball fever. It’s not just because the Braves are 4-0. Or that they have a young, power-hitting left fielder named Ryan Klesko whom I am very excited about, although those things help. I just look forward to watching a baseball game every night.

During the winter, a couple of times a week, I can watch NBA games, but frequently they are games like the Celtics vs. anybody—you know, junk games. I hate watching random college basketball games, but random baseball is fun. So everyone should rejoice. Spring is here and baseball is back.

PRO FOOTBALL . . . Art Monk’s departure from the Redskins is tragic, but it’s also a sign of the times. I have to say I’m conflicted on this one. Monk is class personified. His work ethic puts an entire generation to shame. Throughout my misspent youth, he was a constant figure in a drastically changing world.

But the simple fact is that RFK is no field of dreams. Football, like most good things in life, is subject to the Curse of the Field of Dreams. Football, like most good things in a drastically changing world.

3-6 Monk has to accept that he’s no longer the greatest receiver in the League, and that the new $34 million per-team salary cap is squeezing a lot of excellent players. The ‘Skins actually offered Monk more than his market value at first, because they feel for him as strongly as I do. But he refused to go below $1.15 million and they lowered their offer to $600,000, using the difference to try and lure receiver Henry Ellard away from the Rams.

The sad fact is that if the owners couldn’t get a return on their investment, they’d put the money into cattle futures and multiple South American wives, and we’d have to spend Sunday watching B-movies.

A couple other interesting things have occurred since my last column. Barry Switzer replaced Jimmy Johnson as coach of the Dallas Cowboys. Many people have criticized Jerry Jones for this move, but I personally think this decision is the best thing that ever happened to the Cowboys.

No way will Switzer be able to compete with the ghost of coach Johnson. First, he hasn’t coached in five years. Second, the Cowboys probably threw the ball more last year than the Sooners did during his career at Oklahoma. I have never seen an owner do more damage to his team just to get even with a man whose primary sin was doing well for that owner. Jones’ ego will not allow him not to be the number one man of the Dallas Cowboys.

Another incident involved an interview between Jim Rome, of ESPN2, which my stupid cable system does not get, and Jim Everett, quarterback of the New Orleans Saints and formerly of the Los Angeles Rams. Rome insisted on acting like an ass and calling Jim Everett “Chris Evert,” suggesting that he played football like a woman.

Everett allowed himself to be dragged down into this stupidity, telling Rome that he better stop call him Chris. Rome didn’t and Everett flipped over the table and attacked him. While I refuse to condone Rome’s behavior, because it seemed to belong more on an elementary school playground than on a TV interview, Everett’s behavior was worse. He knew beforehand that Rome was an ass and should have been the adult.

It’s a shame that Everett wasn’t traded to Phoenix and Buddy Ryan. Can you imagine the sideline fights between those two? It would be enough to get me to watch Phoenix.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL . . . Well, the season is finally over. Nolan Richardson has spoken about getting respect for his Arkansas Razorbacks. Well, his team walked the walk and deserve to be respected.

It’s far too early to talk about a repeat performance next year and who knows if the team will still be as hungry (see UNC), but with the quantity and quality of young players on this team, Richardson has the horses to compete for several years at least.

This was a very exciting year in the tournament. With some supposedly great teams deciding to lay down and play dead (again, see UNC), the tournament was wide open for some nobody to go a long way. BC and Tulsa gave rise to hopes of a nation of underdogs. In the end, however, a Number One seed in Arkansas beat a Number Two seed with championship experience in Duke in a very exciting game.

PRO BASKETBALL . . . Although I am sure that no one has noticed, the NBA playoffs are almost here. In the post-Michael Era, the top four teams in each conference could go all the way. Instead of a play-off preview, here are my awards for the season:

MVP: David Robinson, San Antonio Spurs. He is leading the NBA in scoring and has improved in almost every stat from last year. Only his rebounding has decreased and that is because his team acquired Dennis Rodman, who is averaging around 17 rebounds a game. Earlier this season, Robinson recorded a quadruple-double, hitting double figures in points, rebound, assists, and blocks. The only player closer to Robinson is Hakeem Olajuwon. However, Robinson’s Spurs have been more consistent with less talent.

Rookie of the Year: Chris Webber, Golden State Warriors. I thought Golden State had made a mistake, trading for him on draft day, but he has shown great athletic ability by improving his skills and exhibiting a willingness to work within the team concept. One quick note before anyone thinks that I have completely become a Webber fan. His season would not have placed him as top five rookie from last year’s class.

Coach of the Year: Pat Riley, New York Knicks. He lost his entire starting backcourt and his team has trouble scoring. Yet the Knicks have the best record in the East, just ending a long winning streak. With the Knicks’ grind-it-out style of play, Riley’s showtime tenure with the Lakers seems a distant, fading memory. He is a great coach who has shown that he can adapt to his talent. That’s all, folks.
Gross Misconduct rules M-W, Mad Earle skirts abyss

BY BILL MADIGAN
FLOOR HOCKEY . . . All the goals have been scored, all the fights broken up, so now it's time to crown the 1994 M-W floor hockey champion. The final poll:
1. Gross Misconduct
2. The Mighty Pucks
3. The Joke
4. Don't Call Me Fat
5. Inego Montoya
6. Kenan 2
7. Co Joke
8. Mad Earle
2LS Gross Misconduct captures the M-W version of the Stanley Cup, the tin-plated PSF mug (specially treated to be Heller-repellent). Gross had the mug (specially treated to be clawed their way to the semi-finals) before being spanked like a tree in the forest when no one's around to hear it to another team.

Another club to make it to the semis of their respective division was the Mighty Pucks, a team that gave new meaning to the word "sucks" during the regular season. The Ducks won three playoff games before being spanked like a tree in the forest when no one's around to hear it to another of those cursed MBA teams.

Hogovering at number three is the 3-3 Joke. This team of talented Is (plus 1L wannabe Curt "Broccoli" Spear) should challenge for the title next season after trading Curt to his fiancee for a bag of chips and some breath mints.

Filling in the middle of the pack are the disappointingly mediocre Don't Call Me Fat, Inego Montoya, Kenan 2, and Co Joke. Despite the stellar stick of fan favorite Dave "Hasenpfeffer Gerald." Fat stumbled through the season like a law student trying to find his way home from Paul's. Co-rec's Montoya, Kenan, and Co Joke deserve every bit of press they receive.

Finishing just short of the abyss was the appropriately-named Mad Earle. Though playing with Berserker-like intensity, the Earles came up just a little short in the skill department. Undaunted, law husband Dave Pearson "The Corporate Veil" has decided to prolong his M career by continuing his education at some superior Charlottesville correspondence school.

SOCR ... Because of some unfortunate, inopportune Williamsburg weather, the outdoor soccer season lingers on like a bad meal at Taco Bell. So, even though I hate premature tabulation, here is the final soccer poll of the season:
1. FDS
2. First Impressions
3. Daisies
4. Malpractice
5. The Bashers
6. Will Sue For Food II
7. The Losers (men's B)
8. The Losers (co-rec)

The currently undefeated ILs First Impression give John and George some hope for our soccer future (which unfortunately can't be said about IL teams, the Losers and the Losers).

On the co-rec side, the Daisies and Malpractice may be our best hopes for some i-shirts. The Daisies meet the wily soccer veterans of the Bashers to close out the regular season. The Bashers have played increasingly better with each game, but some members remain distracted by the tug of guilt caused by their failure to reimburse their captain for his shelling out to register the team.

WRESTLING . . . Congratulations to 3L Mike Hirn "It Through The Grapevine," who piledriver and headlocked his way to the semifinals in the men's single elimination tournament in the 158-lb. class. Mike's loss in the semis came at the hands of the eventual winner.

Despite Mike's brutal off-the-top-rope, elbow-to-the-breadbox maneuver, his opponent was able to top him away after his manager handed him a lead pipe. Call your local cable operator to order the pay-per-view special, which also features the steel cage grudge match between Stunning Steve Sepinuck and Ravishing Ron Rosenberg.

UPCOMING EVENTS . . . Though the semester is coming to a merciful end, there are still a few IM activities on the horizon. There will be a golf tournament on Friday, April 15. Registration for this closes today. Also, it's not too late to register for the sand volleyball and softball tournaments coming up on the weekends of the 16th and the 22nd, respectively.

THANKS . . . Before I sign off for the final time, wiping away a sensitive, yet masculine, testosterone-filled tear from my eye, I would like to take a second to thank some people who have made this column a lot more fun and easier to write than it would have otherwise been. Two-and-a-half years ago, I was given the opportunity to bring this baby into the world, and man, what a big ugly kid it has grown into.

But before I get too sentimental, i.e., become too much of a wuss, I'd like to send out the following thanks. At Rec Sports, Joe Tighe "One On" and Mark Garneau "It All" for making the tracking down of teams and scores virtually painless. To team captains Chris Koomey "By Ya, My Lord," Brad "Moon Rising" Wagshul, Andy Oliss "Fair In Love And War" and others, for providing me with exhaustive, sometimes poetic, coverage of their respective teams throughout their many incarnations. To all the people who suggested nicknames for themselves and others, and the people who asked me to explain Chris "Morning" Wood to them, you really need to get out more. Finally, thanks to everyone who competed in IM sports--thanks for keeping me from getting a @$%#&-shirt, you ungrateful little punks.

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and the involvement of students, Patterson says she is approaching the appointment process from the ground up. The Judicial Council, which is appointed by the President and the Chief Justice, will be open to anyone who is interested in serving, she said.

"In the past, people were solicited by the President, but this year I am going to invite anyone who is interested in putting in an application to do so and we will consider them," she said. "I have also reviewed the SBA Constitution, and I plan to involve other people in the decision-making process. I hope to have a representative from each class on a committee that will consider applicants for the Council."

Honor Code amendments pass

In the April 7 election, M-W students voted overwhelmingly to adopt the proposed Honor Code. The referendum ballot was divided into six separate issues which outlined the major changes proposed by the Judicial Council. The first proposal, which offered a more concrete definition of the standard to be used in determining probable cause, received 294 affirmative votes (90.5 percent), the highest percentage of all of the proposals on the ballot.

Other substantive Honor Code amendments adopted included a change to include first-year students on the Judicial Council (76.9 percent), the creation of an independent Office of School Advocate (84.9 percent), and a clarification of the standard for mandatory confrontation of students suspected of violating the Honor Code (72.6 percent). In addition, a clarification that "knowledge" is the requisite mental state for students to find in violation of the Honor Code (79.4 percent) also passed.

Other procedural and stylistic changes were approved by a margin of 98.8 percent. A total of 325 votes were cast in the referendum election. Upon approval by Acting Dean Paul Marcus and President Timothy Sullivan, the amendments will be formally included in the Honor Code effective next fall.

Other SBA Office Elections

Also in the April 7 elections, students chose next year's SBA Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and second- and third-year representatives. In the Vice President's race, Llezelle Dugger (2L) beat Pete Schirion (1L) and Ian Alberg (2L), as well as a large slate of write-in candidates. Dugger chaired the Admissions Committee during the past year.

Mike Cox (2L) was elected SBA Treasurer, over Martha McGlothlin (2L). As a second-year representative over the past year, Cox frequently questioned the cost...

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He called the accreditation process "an opportunity for me to try to work out in greater detail my plans for the future of M-W." Krattenmaker said he was anxious to have students involved in the assessment of the school.

Lastly, Krattenmaker mentioned the severe space constraints on the school. He foresaw that within a year, "There will be a temporary addition to the size of the school... Does it mean knocking down a wall?... Sounds daunting, but it is not as daunting as remaining how we are."

Krattenmaker begins his deanship on July 1. He informed the people at the session that he and his wife had moved into a house.

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sustain virulent anti-gay sentiment among many people in this country. Robertson and his ilk cannot divorce themselves of responsibility for fostering this climate of hate.

So, do speaking out against this bigotry make one anti-Christian? As Christians ourselves, we believe it does not. Rather, it is an angry response to the way the Religious Right has tried to misuse the term Christian in order to scare people into following their frightened and frightening agenda.

A product of this agenda is a climate in which employers justify firing gay and lesbian employees simply because of their sexual orientation and judges strip gay parents of custody rights to their children. Other examples of blatant discrimination abound.

Those Christians who agree with Titus cannot deny the prevalence of this discrimination and the fact that many self-described Christians engage in it.

We all are entitled to our own relationship with our Creator, or to not have any such relationship at all. That relationship is a highly personal matter, one that defies politicization, and certainly one that no one has any right to judge.

Our lives reflect this relationship, and they too must be free from hateful, ignorant proclamation.

The true meaning of Christianity means living a Christ-like life; one of reaching out to our fellow man and woman, not sitting in judgment on other people and their actions, and one of love and compassion, not hatred, fear and condemnation.