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A step show with 1L Ivy Horn, 3L Vanessa Peterson, 1L Joni McCray and 2L Lori Sinclair at BLSA's Mideast Convention

—Carla Archie

Thrasher to join OCPP

By Stephen T. King

The Office of Career Planning and Placement (OCPP) will be adding a new Assistant Dean effective April of this year. Frederick Thrasher was chosen to fill the recently created position.

Dean Krattenmaker felt that OCPP needed more resources to cope with the tough job market. The office was "falling short in personnel, though not in talent," he said. The hiring will "help more students get more jobs." A second reason for the new position was to allow Dean Krattenmaker to make better use of the Dean of OCPP, Robert Kaplan.

Dean Kaplan has been working at OCPP for nine years.

Krattenmaker said "it is time to better use his talents for other things." Dean Kaplan will continue to be in charge of OCPP and its policies, but he will take on a wider administrative role in the law school. "Now we have two very good professionals in the office [OCPP]," added Krattenmaker.

The selection committee that chose Thrasher consisted of Dean Kaplan, Dean Galloway, Professor Kindred and Peter Schiron (2L). They reviewed 176 applications in the process. Schiron said that Thrasher was "definitely the best candidate." He is young, energetic and enthusiastic. "I think the students are going to

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—Lisa O'Donald

3Ls Bryan Fratkin and Clay Batchelor spread Valentine cheer. Only 3Ls are allowed to know the real meaning of this ancient and nameless tradition.

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Hi-tech "self-registration" promises instant gratification

By Lee Ranieri

A new campus-wide registration system will go into effect this semester, and it will hopefully eliminate much of the confusion and guesswork present in the current system.

Since last December, a student task force has been working with Assistant Dean Lizbeth Jackson on the new system's potential problems as well as establishing guidelines for the registration process. The result, according to Jackson, is a system that is designed with the students' needs in mind. Jackson also emphasized that while the new on-line registration system may seem imposing, students have no reason for apprehension. In addition to the purported user-friendly nature of

the system, students will be given detailed instructions on the new process. Demonstrations of mock registrations will be held in the law school, as well as opportunities for students to test the system live.

One of the major changes in the system is the elimination of pre-registration, enabling students to obtain their schedules instantaneously. To this end, registration will be done by the students themselves, on-line to the College main-frame.

Students may register from any of the 250 terminals in the computer labs on campus, as well as designated terminals in the University Center, Ewell Hall and Blow Hall. Twelve computers in the M-W Library Computer Lab will also be

reserved for registration, with the remaining terminals available but with a priority for non-registration use. Additionally, students will be able to register from their home computer if they can connect to the College e-mail system. Information will be made available for both IBM-compatible and Macintosh users on how to access the system.

Registration for M-W students will begin on March 27, with the rising 3L class. Rising 2Ls will register the following day. Students will continue to be divided into priority registration groups based on last name. Students whose last names begin W through D will be first, followed by E through J, then K through P, and finally Q through V. Each alpha-

betical group will be given a four hour time slot to register, beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 11:00 a.m. From 11:00 a.m. of their registration day until 2:00 a.m. of the following day, students will be able to re-enter the registration system to make adjustments to their schedule.

Students with holds on their accounts will not be allowed to register. The Bursar will be notifying those students with holds by March 15, via e-mail. Consequently, Jackson notes that students should ensure that their e-mail accounts are active. This can be checked simply by logging on to the College's "gopher" host. If a student has trouble logging on, they may

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Ambassadors' summit here

By Caroline Boutwell

On Friday, Feb. 17 and Saturday, Feb. 18, W&M hosted the 1995 Inter-American Ambassadorial Summit in the Commonwealth Auditorium. Sponsored by the Latin American Club, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Wendy and Emery Reves Center for International Studies and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, the Summit brought together 11 ambassadors from Latin America and the United States. The Summit acted as a forum for open dialogue between the countries of the West

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Ambassadors convene at summit

—Michael Mattison

International alums return

By Jim Cady

The International Law Society (ILS) recently hosted two guest alumni to speak on the field of international financial law in conjunction with Professor Bhala's International Financial Law Seminar. Dennis Hensley, managing director and assistant general counsel for J.P. Morgan International, Inc. spoke on Feb. 3. On Feb. 6, Robert Kaplan, managing director of Carter & Kaplan, addressed the ILS and Professor Bhala's class on the growth of international financial legal concerns and its affect on small to medium sized

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From the Editor's Desk . . .

The law school's Judicial Council took a survey last week on proposed changes to M-W's Honor Code which would serve to unify the College's code with ours.

The survey contained provisions already implemented in M-W's Honor Code and asked if law students would welcome or oppose changes to them. The provisions included a duty to confront (which the undergrads do not have), a presumed sanction of expulsion (the undergrads have only a presumed sanction for dismissal which could be only temporary), and a provision concerning the total scope of the code. Our code, unlike the undergraduates', extends to outside of the law school community such as sending resumes to prospective employers with inaccurate GPAs. The College's code does not extend as far primarily because of concerns re-

garding fake IDs which are so prevalent among undergrads. Also, Virginia makes such improprieties a separate disciplinary matter with less harsh sanctions.

The poll results showed 130 students opposed to changes in M-W's Honor Code if it meant changes regarding the aforementioned provisions. Only 30 students voted to change the existing code.

The results of the poll should not be surprising. The law school is already such a separate entity from the undergraduate campus that any kind of unification would seem absurd. For good or for bad, the law school tends to isolate itself from the undergraduate campus. There is a distinct, self-contained law school culture. This separate community ought to be allowed to judge itself by its own standards of propriety. Many a law student would feel uncomfortable being judged by an honor council composed largely of undergraduates. In many respects, the unification question is one of where to locate

authority and punishment. Our culture and destiny is not so inextricably linked to that of the undergraduates to warrant divesting the law students of autonomy.

At the same time, there are obvious differences between law students and undergraduates which explain our opposition to a more lenient code of ethics. These differences have to do with age and maturity: the average age of a law student is 24 years while the College deals with 17 and 18 year-olds, many of whom have just left home for the first time in their lives. Supposedly with age and experience comes a greater degree of responsibility, a greater degree of accountability. Consequently we should expect a stricter code.

Our chosen profession should impose a higher standard upon us as a public relations matter. The lack of ethical standards for lawyers has resulted in a total lack of respect for lawyers in the

community, some of it well earned. If virtue is a learned quality, one that arises in large part from habit and from an understanding of accepted communal standards of behavior, then it makes sense to begin the learning process as early as possible.

Ethics in the law is not always as simple as being able to ascertain right and wrong in the misappropriation of a client's trust fund. A sense of responsibility should be instilled by law school. Otherwise, a person feels right in justifying their every wrong action through religion, for example.

The duty to confront, which could be lost by the proposed changes, imposes upon law students the responsibility to voice concerns of improper behavior to a fellow student. It imposes a duty to make inquiry of a fellow student whom one believes to have violated the code. It is not enough to simply go to the rarely

seen and rarely heard from honor council; rather, the individual in a very real sense enforces and defines the code by confronting the suspected wrongdoer.

The presumed sanction of expulsion, a harsher punishment than for the undergrads, impresses upon the law student the serious implications of improper behavior. Now is the time to hold one's self out as a paragon of virtue, not some remote time in the uncertain future, leaving behind a trail of broken codes.

Nor should we limit the sanctions upon ourselves to the boundaries of the school. Ultimately we belong to a larger community, the community of the world. It would be thoroughly inconsistent to expect a student not to cheat on an exam, but then allow him to make misstatements on a resume in a dishonest effort at seeking employment.

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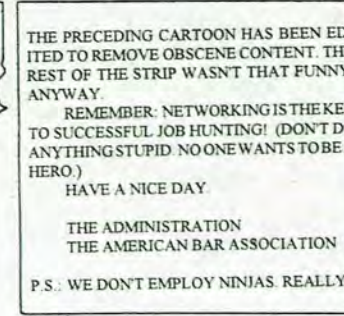
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Natural Law

by Jack Mackerel



Letters

To the Editor:

Although I believe that it was an innocent mistake, I was somewhat surprised to see that Cracker Barrel was included as a part of a package date at the PSF date auction. Many law students may not be aware that many socially progressive groups are boycotting the Cracker Barrel chain because of the restaurant's policy of automatically firing gay and lesbian employees.

Cracker Barrel defends its discriminatory policy by saying that its clientele were offended by the overly effeminate waiters. The chain has so far been unable to present any real evidence, such as a survey, that demonstrates any clientele preference in this matter. Cracker Barrel's "final

solution" is to terminate any employee that meets its stereotypical bias of how a gay man is supposed to act. Although, in its defense, Cracker Barrel is an equal opportunity bigot: they recently fired a lesbian cook who did not have any contact with the customers.

Although Cracker Barrel has announced that it has ended its official policy of discrimination, this is a move in form only. Cracker Barrel has not re-hired or even apologized for any of the terminations. Furthermore, Cracker Barrel purposely omitted sexual orientation from its employee manual, and two weeks ago went all the way to the second circuit to fight a shareholder derivative suit aimed at protect-

ing gay and lesbian employees.

As many law students are aware, the federal employment discrimination statute, Title VII, does not cover sexual orientation. Thus Cracker Barrel has fired dozens of employees solely because they have been perceived to be gay and have escaped any liability in the courts.

I think that PSF should not include Cracker Barrel at any future date auctions. Cracker Barrel's conduct is outrageous and based on the most offensive and bigoted stereotypes. I hope that all the law students agree with me (at least the cool ones) when I say "lets drop these homophobic jerks like a bad habit."

Douglas Steinberg (3L)

Symposium on privacy and access to government records

By Donald Sciortino

On the afternoon of March 17, the W&M *Bill of Rights Journal* will host a major symposium at the University Center, concerning one of the most contentious issues of the coming century: whether privacy or access principles should rule the dissemination of government records.

The implications of this issue are significant. Anyone with access to your social security number will be able to obtain your driving record, your political affiliation, a listing of your real property assets, and where, when, and why you went to school.

The list goes on. This all can be done in the blink of an eye electronically. Sound like a future time when computers have run amok? It's not. It is reality today.

The symposium will address the conflict between the needs of an open, demo-

cratic society's demand for public access to government-held information and the compromising of citizens' privacy.

We have not even struck a satisfactory balance with the government's paper records, and now the world of electronic storage and network access is upon us.

The goal of the symposium is to explain to conferees the legal constraints on the rights of access and privacy; to present examples of the real-world experience of states with very different information policies; and to provide a chance to comment to representatives from the press, privacy advocates, and commercial information sellers. In the end, the policymakers who will attend this symposium must shape the answers to this troubling dilemma.

Sponsoring this symposium are the W&M *Bill of Rights Journal* and the Virginia Council on Information Management. Professor I. Trotter Hardy has

agreed to serve as the Host/Moderator for the afternoon.

Hardy will be joined by Scott Armstrong, founder of the national Security Archive, Law Professor Lillian BeVier of the University of Virginia, Henry Perritt of Villanova University Law School, Barbara Peterson of the Florida legislature's Joint Committee on Information Technology Resources, and many other participants.

The sponsors hope to attract a diverse group of participants, such as state information policy officials, information policy scholars, attorneys who deal with government-held information, and representatives of public interest groups concerned with access, privacy, or commercial information sales. The symposium will likely be approved by the Virginia Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Board for four hours of CLE credit.



Professor I. Trotter Hardy —staff photo

Judge to M-W: Get culture or drown like rats

By Sarah Newman

Attorneys and future attorneys should strive to achieve cultural literacy. This was the message of a talk given by The Hon. Danny J. Boggs last week. Judge Boggs' speech, sponsored by the M-W Chapter of the Federalist Society, discussed what the term "cultural literacy" means and why it is important and useful to lawyers.

Judge Boggs, appointed by President Reagan to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, has found cultural literacy so important to the profession that he "tests" his law clerks on the subject. The judge explained that the term was first popularized in a toast at a diplomatic meeting in the eighties. It has become more familiarly associated with a book on the topic

by E.D. Hirsch which has been cited in at least two cases the judge could discover.

To be culturally literate means to have an awareness of a "shared store of knowledge, information, or background," said Judge Boggs. "It doesn't have to be high or low [culture]; it is primarily important that it be shared, whether it come from traditional or modern sources." Such knowledge could range from topics as varied as "Middlemarch" to *Beavis and Butthead*, to the history of the McCarthy era to the history of the O.J. Simpson case. The judge explained that though some references may not be relevant forever, others will have a resonance far into the future. Each type is equally important.

Judge Boggs also discussed

the reasons why lawyers should try to be culturally literate. He stated that lawyers may "think better in culturally literate terms. When you have a difficult case, you're usually thinking by analogy: 'What is the question I'm faced with? How does it relate to the rest of my knowledge?' [It is understood] best by what resonates from you and your experience."

Having achieved this goal of relating a new problem to an established base of knowledge, attorneys should then be able to use this reference in argumentation to make their thoughts better understood by others. "Just as an attorney should be familiar with the other side's brief and facts, he should know the myths and background of other points of view," advised Judge Boggs.

Having this knowledge may provide a useful tool if an attorney can borrow from it to make his own point stronger or more clear.

As an example of his own experience in using this technique, the judge told of his discussion with fellow judges during a case concerning the Establishment Clause and a public display of a menorah (*Americans United v. City of Grand Rapids*). During the debate, there was concern about the presence of government disclaimers on the display, which the judge's fellows were afraid may not be observed by the public.

Boggs was able to make his argument in favor of the displays by asking if his colleagues expected the government to construct "Burma Shave" signs disclaiming their endorsement of

religion. Using this familiar reference, he explained, his point was "better received than if [he had] delivered lengthy discourse on issues of size and distance."

Boggs also emphasized the importance of "multi-cultural literacy," stating "the more you know about your background and the world's background, the better off you are.... [it is] irrelevant and self-defeating to stick to your own [and learn only about your own culture.] Where you came from is not near as important as where you're going."

In giving advice on how law students can become culturally literate, Judge Boggs advised that "having the desire is 98 percent" of the work. He said that pursuing knowledge will always lead students to more paths and sources of information.

Corrections

"Those checks and balances work," Washington Post columnist David Broder said on Charter Day, shortly before three editors laid into him with wild abandon. But hey, Dave knows the score. If you talk to the press, you're asking to be substantially misquoted and thoroughly misrepresented to serve the reporter's twisted agenda.

Not all of the top five 3Ls are women. Professor Selassie gave some 'A's. Jonathan Sheldon is the author of "Law Watch." Doug Onley did not complete his vending machine eatathon, but he did give the proceeds to charity. (see story on page 9). Letter writer Brett Loney, like some of our other writers, tried to do some amateur layout with the "Tab" key, and our linear-thinking computer layout program automatically garbled his work. Ian the Healthy Bear is a 1L. But if the bear wasn't Ian Alberg, why did he stare at me so strangely?

Preview of Bill of Rights symposium

By Brent Haden

Pat Robertson, political and religious leader, and Nadine Strossen, president of the American Civil Liberties Union, will cross swords at W&M in a symposium on religion in public schools. The symposium, titled, "How Much God in the School?" will be held on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 6 p.m. in the University Center Auditorium.

Robertson and Strossen are serving as the headliners for an impressive list of national authorities on religious liberty who will debate various aspects of the conflict between church and state. Robertson begins the event with a keynote address and Strossen will deliver the closing remarks.

The program includes a moot court debate over teaching religion in a public school followed by a panel discussion. "In composing the list of panelists we sought to have a balance between those who think that the country has cut itself off from its religious foundations and

those who strongly value a clear demarcation between church and state," said Symposium director Peter Owen (2L). The panelists are: Elliot Mincberg, Legal Director for People for the American Way; Jay Sekulow, Chief Counsel for the American Center for Law and Justice; Steven Goldberg, Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center; Ruti Teitel, Professor of Law at New York Law School; and Lynn Buzzard, Professor of Law at Campbell University. Strossen will also participate in the panel.

Regarding the choice of religion and education for this year's topic, Owen said, "this issue is re-emerging onto the national scene. The Supreme Court is in a state of flux and the new Republican Congress has even proposed a prayer in school amendment to the Constitution." The renewed interest in these concerns, he said, makes the issue ripe for discussion and controversy. Furthermore, as noted by Owen, "Pat Robertson is the primary person responsible for the fact

that the United States is even raising this question." Robertson's presence allows W&M to see the ideas that have initiated nationwide public involvement to bring religion back to schools.

Strossen is a professor at New York Law School. "Nadine Strossen's presence is not a coincidence; she is a definite counterbalance to Pat Robertson," Owen said. The two will not actually debate, however.

The Institute of Bill of Rights Law is devoted to the education and study of matters relating to the Bill of Rights. Beginning four years ago, the Student Division has presented nationally acclaimed symposia known for their provocative coverage of controversial issues. Past symposia topics include gun control, music censorship and the war on drugs.

The symposium, organized and run by law students from the Student Division of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law, is free and open to the general public. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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Law Watch-

By Jonathan Sheldon

Felton to Necrophiles: Drop Dead

From the state that brought you *Loving* and *Bobbitt*, see *Lovisi*, 363 F.Supp 620 (1973) and Ch 18.2 § 361 (1993) of the Virginia code (making oral or anal sex between consenting adults, including married couples, a felony).

In a related case a Danville, Va., man was recently arrested for breaking into a funeral home and having sex with a corpse. Much to the dismay of the prosecutor, Virginia doesn't have a statute outlawing necrophilia. Assistant Attorney General (and M-W Professor) Walter Felton is working diligently with the General Assembly to get a law on the books worthy of Virginia's history.

War Crimes Trials

A United Nations tribunal has handed down indictments and arrest warrants for 21 Serbs charged with crimes against humanity and genocide in the Omarska camp in Bosnia in 1992. The trial is slated for this spring at The Hague, in the Netherlands. Professor Linda Malone is co-counsel on the case. (*Baltimore Sun*, Feb. 14).

Speech Police

The "Police Beat," a listing of local police activity on the W&M campus, said that "[p]ropane swearing in public was reported on the third floor fire escape of Spotswood. A pizza delivery person called a student a 'bitch.'" (*The Flat Hat*, Feb. 10).

Removing Jurors for Bad Clothes Doesn't Violate Batson

A prosecutor in Alameda County, Cal., removed an overweight juror for wearing a skirt that didn't fit, and removed two other women for being "unsightly." A state appeals court upheld the strikes. (*USA Today*).

Expensive Search

Police made Terrance Alston, then a 17-year-old high school student, drop his

Meet Mike Phillips a.k.a. the computer fixit guy

By Jason Aldrich

We have all seen him scurrying about the halls and classrooms of M-W, working feverishly to ensure that every microphone, computer and piece of video equipment in our law school is functioning properly. But who exactly is Mike Phillips and what is his job? I chatted with Mike and, in between inquiries about whether any human being really understands how the Internet works, got some answers to these questions.

Mike's official title is "Installation and Repair Technician." While this position requires him to "provide audio and visual support" for the entire law school, his primary responsibility is to keep the law library's computers working for its students and staff. Secondary responsibilities include answering questions for students in the computer lab when no one else is available and helping professors prepare for class when they need to use microphones or show videos.

Mike says one of the most difficult of these jobs is setting up the 3-Beam machine. Most students have probably seen this device in use during Law Camp. It beams images of an event into overflow rooms and projects them onto a large screen, thus greatly increasing the audi-

ence potential for events like Moot Court and the Bill of Rights Symposium. The machine combines three beams of light together to form a single image and can take up to half an hour to focus properly.

Mike moved over to M-W last August from his previous job working at Computer Support on the main campus. He was a computer science major at W&M and hopes to complete the requirements for his degree by taking advantage of a college policy which allows employees to take one free course per semester.

When asked how he became interested in computers, Mike recalled that he may have been influenced by his father, who worked for IBM installing main-frame computers. He also remembered that in grade school and junior high he owned both an Apple Computer and a Commodore 64 and was fascinated by the graphics programs that could be run on them. In fact, Mike has been experimenting with computer graphics for years and is presently working on a graphics program of his own.

Mike answered several questions about the status of the library's computer system, and clarified the state's new policy regarding the playing of games on state-owned computers.



LION is scheduled to be replaced this summer by a completely new system, and there are plans to link all faculty and staff computers together to make certain tasks such as sending e-mail easier and more efficient.

As for computer games, last December, Virginia's Secretary of Education, on orders from Governor Allen, declared that all games on state-owned computers had to be deleted, and that games could no longer be played on them. (See related story, p. 5.) Mike questioned the wisdom of this policy, saying he has not encountered any abuse of the school's computers in the time he's worked at W&M. He did point out that he had to spend hours deleting games like Minesweeper and Solitaire, which are built into the software the college purchases.

pants and his underwear, in view of passing motorists, while the police searched for drugs. Alston's Sunday school teacher drove by and saw him, reporting the incident to Alston's mother. The police didn't find any drugs, but Alston got \$36,000 from a jury for his trouble. (Charleston, S.C. *Post and Courier* Feb. 5).

Alternative Forms of Punishment

Shoplifters in Camden, Ark., get a choice of 60 days in jail or, for five hours, carrying a sign around their neck that reads, "I was convicted of shoplifting and this is

part of my punishment." (*USA Today*). Mississippi: The state House adopted a bill allowing paddlings instead of prison sentences. The measure has yet to be passed by the state Senate.

Ohio: On Feb. 1 in Troy, Ohio, a man charged with domestic violence for spanking and bruising his 10-year-old son agreed to an interesting plea bargain. The prosecutor dropped the charges in exchange for allowing a police officer to strike him three times on the butt with the paddle that he used on his son.

Tennessee: A paddling bill explicitly states that flag burners, among others, get four whacks in public on the court house steps. Arkansas (again): A bill is pending before the House that would require paddling of some offenders and that would give the jury the option of public hangings in death penalty cases. (Memphis *Commercial Appeal*, Feb. 13).

Expanded Jury Pools

New York has recently passed a statute requiring people from welfare and unemployment rolls to be included in jury pools. (NPR, Feb. 15).

Husband's Rights End at "Ejaculation"

In a divorce battle over five frozen embryos, a New York court, in contrast to a 1992 Tennessee decision (*Davis v. Davis*, 842 S.W.2d 588), said embryos are the wife's property just as if they were in her womb. (*National Law Journal*, Feb. 6).

Third Party Liability

Betty Stidham was killed by a neighbor's pit bull. Stidham had told the Memphis, Tenn., animal shelter that the dogs were dangerous, but the shelter did not take proper action so the judge awarded Stidham's family \$130,000 from the city. Thomas Banks didn't die, but got \$350,000 from a jury. Banks became a

paraplegic after diving into shallow water while drunk. The money came from the bar that sold him too many drinks. (*USA Today*).

California can't sue Feds

California's suit against the federal government to recover more than \$10 billion spent on education, imprisonment, and medical costs of illegal immigrants was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction by a federal court. The judge said that such disputes must be settled by Congress and the White House. (*USA Today*).

Computer Phone Solicitations Banned

The Ninth Circuit upheld a federal ban on automated computer telephone solicitation because the calls threaten privacy. A lower court had granted an injunction against the law. (Mosier v. FCC, 1995 U.S. App. LEXIS 2151 (9th Cir. Feb. 6, 1995). Also upheld was a federal ban on unsolicited fax advertisements.

A Gun for Every Home

The Georgia House recently passed a bill to let Kennesaw County retain an ordinance requiring each household to own a gun. The bill also replaces the federal Brady Law with a state-run instant background check and wipes out all local waiting periods, such as Atlanta's 15-day wait. In announcing the bill, state Sen. John Black sent out pictures of Hitler in a Nazi salute with the caption "all in favor of gun control raise your right hand." (*Atlanta Journal and Constitution*, Jan. 29 & Feb. 12).

Copyright on Death?

Ted Bundy's lawyer, Polly Nelson, wrote a book entitled *Defending the Devil*. She is now suing John Grisham, saying his *The Chamber* copies her book. (*Legal*

Law World

By John Crouch

Death for Graffiti

Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was charged with contempt of court for saying she was "surprised, shocked and saddened" by a 14-year-old's death sentence for blasphemous anti-Islamic graffiti. (NPR).

Right to Counsel in Quasi-Civil Cases

Poor people jailed for not paying taxes have a right to Legal Aid, the European Commission on Human Rights held. (London *Times*).

U.N. Treaty Bans Spanking

Countries that have ratified the 1991 U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child must ban spanking, according to the U.N. Committee on the Rights of the Child. (London *Times*).

Sheathe E'ermore the Burning Lance

For the first time, Parliament authorized English police to chase suspects into Scotland (and vice-versa) without getting a warrant from the other nation's courts. Previously, only the actual victim could do this, by "lawful trod with hound and horn, with hue and cry and all other manner of fresh pursuit," and she had to

carry a burning turf on her lance and announce herself to the first person she met to show her "open and honest" intention. (London *Times*).

Bi-Governmental Zone

Under a new treaty, French and English police can arrest their countrymen on each other's soil within the Chunnel, and can bring them home without an extradition process. (London *Times*).

Clean Plate Law

Nanning, China imposed fines on waiters who order too much in restaurants and can't eat it all. (London *Times*).

Lawyer-Tipping

In an apparent case of first impression, a lawyer trampled by 30 cows won damages from a farm's insurer in Northamptonshire, Eng. The insurer argued that the melee was unforeseeable and provoked. The lawyer was on a public path across fenced farmland, with his dogs leashed. While several cows approached to "eyeball" the dogs, others snuck up from behind and tipped him. "Every time I stood up, they knocked me down," he testified. "One even tried to roll on me." (London *Times*).

By Michelle LaRose

There are several positive aspects of working for credit this summer which balance out the obvious drawbacks of not earning money and paying for the classes. Working on a volunteer basis usually allows a student more flexibility in terms of scheduling which may well afford opportunities for a vacation, a second job, a summer school course or even sleeping late and tanning! Securing a volunteer position with a sought after employer can be a way to get a foot in the door and establish contacts for possibilities in the future. And volunteering in an area of law that interests you can aid in increasing your knowledge and experience in this field that may give you an edge in entering the field later.

A defendant who was indicted for growing marijuana negotiated a settlement agreement pursuant to a civil forfeiture action on his house. But before final judgement was entered on the forfeiture, the defendant pled guilty in the criminal case. An Oregon federal court said the entry of final judgement in a forfeiture case is the point at which jeopardy attaches, affirming the conviction. (*U.S. Law Week*, Jan. 17; *U.S. v. Stanwood*, D.C. Ore., No. 94-1333-JO (12/16/94)).

By Michael Homans

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King To Rule at *Amicus*

The *Amicus Curiae* is proud to announce the appointment of Stephen King as the new Editor-in-Chief for 1995-1996.

Douglas to Receive Phi Beta Kappa Award

The Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa has awarded its 1995 Faculty Award for the Advancement of Scholarship to Professor Davison M. Douglas.

Professor Douglas holds a Ph.D. in History from Yale, an M.A.R. in Religion from the Yale Divinity School and a J.D. from the Yale Law School. He was a Phi Beta Kappa Member at his undergraduate school, Princeton University.

The Advancement of Scholarship award will be conferred on Douglas at a ceremony at Phi Beta Kappa Hall on March 15.

New Addition to Academic Policies

The faculty at the Feb. 16 meeting passed the following addition to our academic policies:

A student in good standing may elect to take one course on a pass/fail basis in accordance with the limitations of this section, provided that the student designates such an election by the end of the second week of the semester, or the end of the first week of the summer session. This election, once made, may not be revoked. This permission does not apply to (1) any course that is required to be taken at some time before graduation, including Professional Responsibility; (2) any seminar, whether or not it is being taken to fulfill the Writing Requirement; (3) Law 610 or (4) any course that has been designated by the instructor before registration as unavailable for pass/fail.

The faculty member will not be informed which students have elected the pass/fail option, but will grade all exams together.

Presentation on Family and Children's Law

OCCP is presenting a panel discussion on Family and Children's Law on Wednesday, Feb. 22, Room 119 at 3 p.m.

Panelists will discuss private practice specializing in family domestic relations, family mediation and victim witness programs, the Virginia Division of Child Support Enforcement, and the District of Columbia Corporate Counsel Office's Family Service Division.

New Leaders for Environmental Law and Policy Review

The W&M *Environmental Law and Policy Review* is proud to announce its editorial board for 1995-1996: Editor-in-Chief, Alexandra Viscusi; Managing Editor, Jeffrey Geiger; Research Editor, Anne Graham; Articles Editors: Mark Kristiansen, John Robertson, Peter Schiron, Jr., Scarlett Spence, Angela Thornhill; Special Projects Editor, Ramona Sein.

Trans-Atlantic History Conference at W&M

Faculty and students from Europe and the U.S. will meet at the College Feb. 19-25 for a ground-breaking Atlantic history conference.

The conference, "Moving On: European, Atlantic and American Migration in the Age of Expansion and Settlement, 15th-20th Centuries," is part of a pilot program sponsored by the U.S. and the European Union to foster new types of trans-Atlantic academic collaboration and student exchange. Seven European institutions and two

American universities will participate in next week's collaborative conference, which takes place on two campuses - W&M and UNC at Chapel Hill.

The keynote address, "Comparative Perspectives on Migration" by Phillip Morgan, a professor at Florida State University on Sunday, Feb. 19 is open to the public. It will be held in UC Room Tidewater A at 8 p.m.

Spong Tournament Announced

The M-W Moot Court Bar and Board will be hosting the Twenty-Fourth Annual William B. Spong, Jr. Invitational Moot Court Tournament on Friday, Feb. 24 and Saturday, Feb. 25 at the law school. Over 20 teams representing law schools from across the nation will participate in appellate arguments before Justices from the Virginia Supreme Court, Judges from the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, Virginia Circuit Courts, and Federal District Courts. The case, *Creston v. Democratic Party of Mapleton*, focuses on the regulation of speech under the First Amendment. Students are encouraged to attend oral arguments. Any student who would like to help out during the event is asked to contact Spong Tournament Justice Carla Archie at 221-3861.

Ballet-Theatre de Bordeaux To Perform

The Ballet-Theatre de Bordeaux will perform Feb. 28 and March 1 at Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall as part of the College's Concert Series.

The Ballet-Theatre de Bordeaux began as the ballet wing of the Academie Royale de Musique de Bordeaux in 1752. Some of the greatest European choreographers have been associated with the company over the centuries.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. each night; general admission tickets are \$20. Call 221-3276 for ticket information and reservations. If tickets are available, W&M students with a valid ID will be able to purchase one ticket for \$10 at the door the evening of the performance, starting at 7 p.m.

1995-1996 SBA Representatives

Congratulations to the newest SBA representatives: President, Neil Lewis; Vice President, Peter Schiron; Treasurer, Rick Cross; Secretary, Carey Lee; Executive Council Rep., Christy Moseley; 2L Class Representatives, Ray Raya and Shaun Rose; 3L Class Representatives, Michele Bresnick and Amy Fedok.

Bush to Speak at W&M's Commencement

George Bush, 41st president, will be the keynote speaker May 14 for the College's annual commencement ceremony.

Bush will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree from the College. Also during the ceremony, the college will honor David Beers Quinn, a history scholar and former visiting professor at W&M; and J. Maxwell Irvine, principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Aberdeen in Scotland.

Graduate Housing Lottery

Attention all 2Ls and 3Ls: the lottery for housing in the Lettie Pate Whitehead Evans Residences will be held March 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. A non-refundable \$200 room reservation deposit, which will be applied towards the first semester's rent, is required. This deposit must be paid at the Cashier's window, Bursar's Office, Blow Hall, between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. by Tuesday, Feb. 21.

For more information, see the Administrative Bulletin Board, beside the elevator.

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call 221-HELP for assistance.

The new registration system will also work to eliminate the wait-list confusions that have been prevalent in the old system. Should a student try to register for a section that has already been filled, the system will automatically provide lists of alternative sections for that class which are still open, other classes taught by that professor, or other classes available in the

same time slot.

Wait-listing will also be allowed online, and any wait-listed course will count toward the total allowable 18 credit hours.

Jackson emphasizes that students will be given ample information on the new system in advance, and should find it a great improvement. Demonstrations will be given on March 23 at 11:30 a.m. and March 24 at 10 a.m. in room 120.

An information session for rising 2Ls will also be given on March 22, and the system will be live for the entire College community to test from February 20 through March 10.

Anyone with questions or concerns should direct their inquiries to members of the student task force: 3L Jason Van Pelt, 2Ls Diane Preston and Michele Bresnick, and 1Ls Ray Raya and Shaun Rose (1L).

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West Virginia State Board of Education v. Barnette, or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Beating of My Best Friend's Life

Joe Woitko

Homeroom on a bit of a cloudy morning in May, 1988. It was two weeks before Matt Korb and I were to graduate from Hazleton High School and Mr. Bruce Leib, history teacher and high school basketball coach extraordinaire was paging through his attendance book.

"Looks like I've reached the last page in my attendance book," he wittily announced.

"Who gives a shit?" Korb whispered under his breath loud enough for everyone to hear.

"Mugrff," grumbled the coach.

The loudspeaker crackled on for the morning exercises as all rose for the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

"I pledge allegiance to Jake..." Korb began... but he never finished. In a flash Basketball Bruce Leib was tearing down the lane of desks. Before anyone knew it, he was upon Korb pounding his head with his fists. In a moment of reason, he grabbed Korb by the throat to get

a better grip on his head as he rammed it into the wall beside our great American flag. After a few seconds of this body checking, Korb collapsed into a pile of rubble on the floor.

Gasping for breath, Korb made perhaps the biggest mistake of his high school career as he lay there looking like a tossed salad.

"Don't ever touch me again," said Korb.

Pow! The beating began again. This time, instead of grabbing him, Basketball Bruce battered Korb about the head with his hands and gave him a few forearm shivers against the partition and then sent off a flurry of kicks to Korb's midsection. Seizing the opportunity, Bruce yelled something about the principal's office and grabbed a good hold of Matthew's right foot.

So he dragged Korb's lanky body the 150 feet down the hall by his right leg leaving a rather guilty trail of dust and spare change along the wooden floor of the old high school until Korb reached the sheer brushburn hell

of the principal's outer office. Our principal, Mr. Rocco Mussoline, was in no honey-suckle mood when Korb's feet-first body brushed through his office door.

Coach Leib dropped Korb's leg onto the floor and announced:

"Mr. Mussoline, this guy here thinks he's really funny. First, while I was taking attendance today, he says, 'Who gives a shit?'" Then, while we were pledging allegiance during morning exercises, he disrespected the flag!"

"HE WHAT?" roared Rocco Mussoline, as all the blood in his Italian-American face drained away to expose white hot fury.

"I--," said Korb.

"SHUT UP!" said Muzzy. "GET UP!" Korb got up off the floor.

Muzzy thrust his hands across his desk and grabbed Korb by the throat, choking him with gusto.

"Just tell me--Is it true?"

"Ack--I just said 'I pledge allegiance to Jake,'" he gasped. "AARR'GHH!" Roared

Muzzy. He took Korb's head with both his hands and slammed it onto his desk, holding it there.

"You're going to wish you were never born, so help me God!" He released Korb for a moment and grabbed the big free-standing American flag behind his desk. He shoved it in Korb's face, pulling it within an inch of Korb's eye.

"DO YOU SEE THIS FLAG? DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE DIED FOR THIS FLAG? YOU'RE A DISGRACE TO YOUR COUNTRY!!! YOU ROTTEN FILTHY PIECE OF GARBAGE, I'M CALLING YOUR MOTHER!"

He dropped the flag and let it lie on the floor. He smacked Korb in the head.

"Do you love your mother? Well, DO YOU?" he slapped Korb's head.

"Yes," said Korb.

"No you don't! No one who loves their mother can do this!"

"Do you believe in God?"

"Yes..."

"You'd better...because He's the only thing that's keeping me

from beating the hell out of you right now! Now just sit there and shut up!

"Your mother is a leader in this community. Let's see how she likes it when she finds out her son soils her good name!" Korb sat down and Mussoline dialed the phone. Korb's mother was well known in the Hazleton community as an administrator of a local drug rehabilitation center. When the dogs came to Hazleton High School and sniffed out some dope in someone's locker, she arranged for the "drugs fry your brain" speeches.

"Is Pat Korb there? Well, this is Mr. Mussoline from Hazleton High School calling. You tell her that her son is a disgrace to his school, his community, his country, and GOD! And have her get back to me. Her son disgraced the American flag. That's right. Goodbye."

He hung up the phone and glared at Korb. Muzzy was mad, but not nearly as mad as the time two kids from the wrestling team broke into his office and pissed in his coffee machine. Now that was a day. "The only reason I'm showing any mercy on you at all is because I want your parents to have something left to pound on when I get through with you! As for right now, you've got work detention after school for two weeks. You can spend your last days in this high school cleaning out toilets. And if you so much as ever even walk funny in this high school again, with God as my witness, I'll make sure you never graduate! Now get out of my office!" Muzzy gave Korb a final slap in the head as a parting shot.

Korb's mom came into the principal's office later that day. She really couldn't understand what her son had done that was all that bad, and this surprised Mussoline. Nevertheless, Korb's mom let Mussoline believe that Korb would get the beating of his life when he got home and that satiated the principal, much like a tick engorged with blood. After all, she didn't want to jeopardize her son's chances of graduating, so she "yessed" him to death. For the next two weeks a brushburned and bruised Korb cleaned every toilet in the school. Two weeks later, he graduated. And that's life in Hazleton, PA.

Meet The Hon. J. R. Zepkin

By Ruthie Litvin

It's hard to believe that Professor J.R. Zepkin "stumbled into law by accident," but that's how he says it happened. After taking a business law class as an undergraduate, he fell in love with the law. Zepkin adds that he did better in law than he ever had in any other course.

Back then, getting into law school was a little bit different from the procedure today. "I had a quick interview with the dean and that was it," Zepkin recalls, although he did have to take law school boards. After three years at Duke, he transferred to W&M where he received both his undergraduate and law degree. He's been here in Williamsburg ever since.

Although Zepkin worked in private practice for a number of years, most of his legal career has been spent as a General District Court Judge. In 1974, he was appointed to the bench where he first served as a part-time judge, but only for one year.

"I don't keep any judge stories because I have an obliga-

tion not to single out cases," he says, "doing so would trivialize people's situations."

According to Zepkin, his ascent to the bench was due in part to luck and timing. "At that time, the growth of the bar was slow and I was alone in my age bracket." There is no fixed road for reaching the bench, he adds. "It's a combination of luck, timing, circumstances, geography and politics."

As a General District Court Judge, Zepkin keeps a full docket. "It's very people intensive...I hear about a thousand cases a month." He points out that approximately 95 percent of people's exposure to the judicial system is through the General District Courts, where many parties act *pro se*.

When presiding over a case with *pro se* litigants the key is balance. "You have to determine how much of an activist you are going to be," Zepkin admits. He says it varies with each judge, case, and litigant. "It's especially difficult if one side is represented and the other is not."

His suggestion to those who

may one day find themselves heading to court. "If time permits, come in and watch cases like yours." In fact, in order to further help *pro se* litigants, the court is developing a short video which will be shown periodically on local cable stations. The goal is to "chill down the fear," Zepkin says.

In addition to his duties on the bench, Zepkin teaches Virginia Procedure at M-W as he has done for the past 21 years. He has also taught one semester of evidence and consumer law for the past two years.

It's hard to tell which role Zepkin prefers, judge or teacher. "At times I have a sense of making a difference," he says about being a judge, but quickly adds that the feeling comes infrequently. With teaching he feels that sense of accomplishment with more regularity. "The happiness quotient is big...it's more reactive...I can sense the learning experience of the class." "I hope the students sense my joy of teaching and that I care that they learn...I've learned so much." He says that even though



he has taught Virginia Procedure for more than 20 years, each year students ask questions that have never been asked before.

He repeats a sentiment that his students have heard previously in class. Virginia Procedure is "overwhelming at this point ... but in day-to-day life in the litigation lane you have to know it." There is a bright point. Zepkin says he has received good feedback from former students, attorneys, and

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Crossfire

High stakes: Battle lines drawn in war on drugs

Be reasonable, but don't surrender *Legalization will deter high crimes*

Pat Lee

When former Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders suggested that the government consider legalizing drugs, her critics were right to respond harshly. She shouldn't need a study to know that such a course would be ineffective and very harmful.

Those who advocate the legalization of drugs promise a rapid decrease of violence in our streets and an end to organized crime. Their arguments miss the mark for several reasons. Legalization would not eliminate the risk of crime committed to buy drugs or eradicate the influence of drugs on people who commit criminal acts. Also, legalization would not remove many of the enterprises that have made criminal organizations successful.

First, drug users would continue to commit crimes in order to finance their habits. Legalization may reduce the street value of drugs, but it won't reduce it to nothing. There would remain addicts who would want more than they'd be able to afford, and many would continue to turn to theft. Unless our legislators plan to ask the public to subsidize the addictions of individuals, the temptation to commit property crimes would remain. Government funding of drug abuse failed miserably in the United Kingdom and in Switzerland. Tax payers in this country will not stand for such policies.

Second, proponents of legalization err by concluding that all drug related crime arises from the sale, rather than from the drugs themselves. Drug Enforcement Administration officials estimate that 50 percent of this nation's convicts are serving time for crimes they committed while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. (*Washington Post*, Jan. 22, 1993). Jimmy Gurule, professor of law at Notre Dame, makes persuasive arguments that drugs can increase crime by weakening judgment and impairing control. (*Chicago Tribune*, Jan. 24, 1994).

Third, organized crime would remain strong, as would the gangs.

After Prohibition, the mob survived by shifting their focus to other practices. Today's drug dealers would continue to thrive in other markets: illegal gambling, prostitution, extorting "protection" money from businesses, and gun running. These criminal enterprises existed well before the criminalization of narcotics.

If adults could buy drugs legally, children would be prime targets for dealers looking for new buyers. A recent University of Michigan study showed that drug abuse among high school students has increased, reversing a ten year downward trend. The study also showed dramatic increases in use by middle school students. (*New York Times*, Feb. 1, 1994).

Finally, dealers would continue to profit from drugs which remain illegal or unregulated and from the sale of more potent versions of the regulated products.

Taxes and regulation cannot make cocaine safe. If adults could buy drugs legally, children would be prime targets for dealers looking for new buyers. And do we want 50,000 crack babies?

In addition to being ineffective in reducing crime, legalization would bring a number of high societal costs. Proponents of legalization paint a picture of victimless drug use, with addicts harming only themselves. However, the costs to the general population would be considerable.

Health care costs certainly would increase. Our health care providers would have to spend limited resources treating the many problems resulting from prolonged use, including extensive damage to the heart, lungs, and immune system. And the users are not the only direct victims. Researchers estimate that there are 30,000 to 50,000 babies born each year who are addicted to crack. (*Chicago Tribune*, Jan. 24, 1994). Proponents argue that legalization would allow regulation and thus safer drugs. But do they really expect a safe cocaine or a safe heroin?

Expanding the number of people who use drugs would lead to more accidents on the highways, in the workplace, and in the home. According to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, there were over 17,000 alcohol-related crashes in 1993. Legalization would aggravate this very serious existing problem.

As more people begin to use drugs, we would also see a decrease in worker productivity. As we continue to create jobs by expanding the markets for American goods, we cannot afford to let the quality of those products fall.

Supporters of legalization raise important concerns over the effectiveness of our current drugs policy. It may be time to consider changes in strategies, including increased emphasis on education. The increases of drug use in our schools shows that we are not doing enough to teach the dangers of abuse. We should continue to consider the feasibility of alternative incarceration techniques such as electronic house arrest and boot camp programs. We should study the effectiveness of conducting treatment while prisoners serve their time or as part of a diversion program, allowing them to fight off their addictions.

But we cannot afford to surrender. The benefits are simply too low and the costs too high.

Tom Estes

It's Sunday the day after Barrister's and judging from the way I feel maybe alcohol should be outlawed.

In the 5000 year history of marijuana there has never been a single death attributed to an overdose. According to *The Atlantic Monthly*, August 1994, to overdose on marijuana a person would have to ingest one hundred pounds a minute for 15 minutes.

In 1977 the FDA and President Carter both stated publicly that our society should be moving towards the legalization of marijuana. By 1980, Reagan and the right wing declared marijuana the number one drug problem in the country, probably for moral reasons. Study after study has shown that marijuana is not addictive at all and in some ways less of a health hazard than alcohol or tobacco. In fact, hemp can be used to make paper, so the paper industry is in no hurry to legalize it.

The most dangerous aspect of marijuana is prohibition. Prohibition of alcohol in the 1920s increased the price and the risk for both consumers and producers of alcohol. And because money, risk and violence go hand in hand, violence also increased. Prohibition is the danger not the drug.

I almost forgot the "marijuana is a gateway to other drug use" argument. The gateway argument is GARBAGE.

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banks such as his.

Hensley's lecture related the experiences of his work with J.P. Morgan in the international securities arena. He began to describe the challenges that U.S. corporations face in the realm of international and commercial banking. He broke those challenges down into four categories: ethical, political, cultural, and regulatory.

In all four areas, Hensley emphasized that it is the role of corporate lawyers to maintain the standards of conduct and reputation for their corporations.

According to Hensley, ethical challenges seem to arise most often in the context of being asked by clients to bend local national rules for short term gain. For corporations like J.P. Morgan, who have an established reputation to maintain, the answer is always to go without the short-term gains--despite clients' wishes--in order to maintain the corporation's long term reputation.

Political and cultural challenges arise in situations ranging from foreign government attempts to control J.P. Morgan's economic forecast reports for their markets to coping with a foreign culture's ideas on the status of women in the corporation and issues of safeguarding the financial privacy and trust of foreign clients. These issues require corporate counsel to maintain a delicate balance of furthering the corporate agenda and standards (such as equality) while respecting and working

According to *The Atlantic Monthly* and my own personal research, not a single reputable study supports this theory.

Last summer my girlfriend and I went camping in Mexico. For a couple of days we camped in the Sierra Madre and made friends with a local farmer who had been a policeman for 15 years on the gulf coast of Mexico. I asked him what he thought of the war on drugs. In his mind, pressure from the U.S. on his government was the reason he spent many years fighting this war. He was very upset because the only people who really suffered were the poor. Ironically, that's who has really suffered from the war on drugs in our society. This farmer said that the people in Mexico growing drugs were poor farmers who had no other way to feed their families. He said that the farmers would prefer to grow another crop but the economic situation in Mexico won't allow it. Additionally, the only ones ever prosecuted were the poor farmers to appease the U.S. According to him, the government in Mexico is too corrupt and the drug dealers too rich to prosecute anyone but the poor. Sounds like home I thought. Before I talked to this farmer I wasn't aware of the hidden casualties.

Risk, money and violence. That is the essence of the war on cocaine. Our prisons are full of drug dealers, our streets are

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within the confines of foreign standards of behavior.

The role of the lawyer in international business is to make complex judgments about ethics and law in the best interests of the corporation and its clients.

Visiting alumnus Robert Kaplan's lecture addressed the current national economic situation from his perspective as managing director of his own bank, Carter & Kaplan. Following 15 years of law practice, Kaplan decided to head off into investment banking.

Kaplan claims that the economic policy of the current administration, particularly the constant changing of interest rates, has had an adverse effect on the investment banking industry. With such unpredictability, clients are showing increased concern for secure results on their investments and are thus making what Kaplan refers to as "the flight to quality".

The "flight" refers to investors' seeking lower but less risky yields on their investments. According to Kaplan, this "flight to quality" may shut off the nation's economic recovery before it really gets going. As a result, companies are increasingly seeking alternate means of developing capital by investing abroad. This is all happening as certain industries (like the defense industry) are redirecting their efforts toward new products.

In Kaplan's words, our law school generation will be in a position to lead the way in new corporate production and investment abroad as the field of international financial law continues to grow.

Clandestine flesh feast at mountain hideaway

Food fraud 2L shames M-W

By John Crouch

When we last reported on Doug Onley, it was Day Four of his five-day vending machine ordeal and he was packing up vending machine food for his ski weekend at Wintergreen, in remote Nelson County, Virginia. As our last issue went to press, Onley was incommunicado in the mountain fastnesses of his rustic aerie.

Little did we know of his dark secret: It was all an elaborate hoax. Cynically taking advantage of the honor system that pervades every facet of M-W life, Onley gorged himself on fine beefsteak once he was out of sight of his long-suffering trainers and handlers.

Alas, alack and woe is us

The Onley debacle is emblematic of the general destruction of every cherished M-W tradition, according to Chancery Professor Glen Cavern, who wished to remain eponymous. "This is just the final turn in the widening gyre of total entropy," he explained. "Elvis has left the

building. We've abolished Libel Night, the composite is decomposed, and without future interests students won't even learn that when A dies, B gets nothing. The Rare Book Room has lost its purpose since the Rare Book is on permanent loan to Bitsy — a *grad student!* We've ditched all the aged and decrepit Taxmaster students who used to make me feel young and alive. Now we're losing faith in our fundamental food. When a society's young begin to reject its very sustenance, it's a sure sign that the end is close at hand."

The last supper

Onley's treachery was consummated on what was to be the last evening of his five-day ordeal. "I was already nuking my last Moon Pie when my betrayer laid out a steak dinner before me in my presence," Onley claimed.

Bull plays key role in excuse

"The room swam before me, and I seemed to see a bull, broad-beamed, stolid and immensely strong, grazing on the tall, sweet grass which grew on the rich

black swelling earth. And it seemed that the bull spoke, and said, 'I eat of the grass and I become the grass and also the earth. Why not eat of me and become me and the grass and the earth also?'

"But I was steadfast, and said to him, 'I'm doing this for all the little people. For little Stevie Chin and Tiny Tom Krattenmaker and Slim Tim Singhel, and Susan Schroeder and Petie Alces and Meghan Muldoon, for all those little people whose little bodies have lost the ability to process protein and vitamins.'

"But the bull simply said, 'Ah, the little people. Who needs them? Truly, they will never approach nearer to my essence than a nuked faux-double cheeseburger. Indeed, they may rewrite the UCC, plot against the FCC and curry favor with George Allen, but do they attain true beefiness? Can they ever hope to be at one with the earth?'

"And then it was as if I truly saw the beef for the first time. I knew then that I was not a machine, but a living, breathing piece of meat, and that meat was

meant to become one with more meat, and I laid hands on the steak and juice ran down my arm and I was reaching back into deep rich black primal nature itself, back into the unknowable, fertile, timeless earth from whence I came, and there was gravy upon my brow and then it was inside of me and I was chewing on the fleshy slabs of the beef whose fibers yielded at first only hesitantly to my enervated jaws, but faster and faster I gnashed at it with long-forgotten energies, and gulped huge chunks of the life-giving flesh."

Bestial lusts

Onley's indelible legacy of ignominious failure may, ironically, be ascribed to his attempts to extract atypically healthy and natural food from the vending machines. Doug's downfall began with that first vending-machine baloney sandwich, or perhaps even with the primal apple and skim milk, according to Mary Ott, W&M's chief dietitian.

"The heart of man lusts after the things of this earth and the beasts of the field," Ott explained.

She said that so-called "soft" lunchmeats, often thought to be harmless, can lead young people to experiment with the serious stuff, until they develop a raging desire for vast expanses of marbly red beef.

Ott said some unfortunates even end up like 3L Jonathan Sheldon, who eats only what he kills, grows, or brews. "If the boy had only stuck with the pimento-cheese spread sandwiches, Moon Pies, and Ike-&-Mikes, he could have pulled through. It's a tragedy."

Ott added that the secret of enjoying the pimento-cheezwiz sandwiches is to add Salsa Fries, which "gives 'em some backbone."

Onley's repulsive naturalism also alienated his core supporters and financial backers. Many of them have lived for weeks at a time on soda, candy and coffee, but never had the imagination to make a production of it. When someone finally came forward claiming to represent them, he turned out to be a fruit and salad fanatic.

Thatcher: He's dead meat

"This young man will get no mercy whatsoever," W&M Chancellor Margaret Thatcher vowed. "Our Anglo-American tradition of high-quality prepackaged food is the envy of the world, and he has basely spurned it."

"These alienated young nihilists such as Mr. Onley are unworthy to nurse at the bosom of this bounteous land. In fact, the greatest attraction of this post, for me, was that your American university chancellors have the ability to call out your National Guard when the students act with this kind of impertinence. Off with their heads!"

Amicus first annual Spring Thing quiz

By Ted Atkinson

Spring is in the air, sort of, and that means that it's time once again for the *Amicus Curiae* to present the annual student questionnaire. We here at the *Amicus* believe we have a duty to do more than just report the hard-hitting news and useful information on which you rely; we also have an obligation to expand your minds. By our way of thinking, the best way to do that is to present you, our readers, with this quiz. Does it serve an actual purpose? Hell, no. But it is a

nice little diversion during those long hours in Civil Procedure. We think you'll agree.

1. The posting of the RFI grades:
 - a) demonstrates that RFI is not so hard
 - b) is a relief to those who felt like they were struggling with the material
 - c) comes along once every million years, and usually heralds a new ice age or the destruction of the world by fire
2. The first sign of spring is:
 - a) The Marriott Lunch Wagon begins offering fresh fruit

- b) New pansies in the flowerbeds
 - c) Prof. Collins begins to shed
3. One major change that Dean Krattenmaker could make is to:
 - a) convince the General Assembly to fund more library space.
 - b) oversee the implementation of a new strategic plan
 - c) crack down on Dean Shealy's penchant for recruiting gun-toting, unbalanced psychopaths
 4. The first thing the SBA should do after Spring Break is:
 - a) Hold a faculty-student mixer
 - b) Resurrect "Libel Night"
 - c) Make a real effort to account

- for that \$3,000 that Treasurer Mike Cox "lost" in Key West
5. The Dinner Date Auction:
 - a) is a great way to raise money for pro bono public service
 - b) is a night filled with fun in the name of charity
 - c) is nothing more to me than a big blur that ate vast portions of my student loan
6. In a contest between Professors Lederer and Williamson to see who could swim out into the ocean the farthest without drown-

See QUIZ on 12

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This week: The hottest dates that money can buy



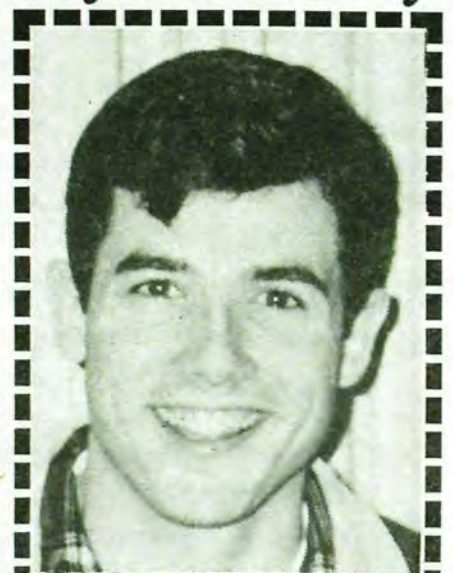
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Ask Mr. Smart Guy

In the last column, I answered a letter which, in the spirit of fun and good-natured rivalry, poked fun at the law school men who arranged and attended a mixer with the undergraduate sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma. In my answer, I commented on the mixer, noting that there was a "cornucopia of supple Kappa flesh" and other such statements. I then went on to paraphrase the St. Crispin's Day speech from *Henry V* comparing the men who were there with the English soldiers who fought the Battle of Agincourt.

Following the publication of the letter, I heard the distinct sound of shit hitting a fan. Some students liked the literary reference and some even found the article humorous (the editors are not sure how that happened, and we assure you that an investigation is currently underway); the *Amicus* even received a fax from Mary Blake French, a 1965 graduate of the

college, who agreed that "Kappas are not to be sneezed at" and that "the men who were not there should consider themselves cursed."

Many students, on the other hand, found the article to be offensive and demeaning to women. They believe that the article objectified women by praising the Kappas only in terms of their physical appearance and by describing female law students as tired and unattractive. Several stated that such comments should never have been made, even in the less-than-serious context of the "Ask Mr. Smart Guy" column. They told me that sexism should be fought at every turn, no matter how jokingly presented, because such columns as the one written last week only serve to damage women.

As I listened to these students wax indignant about the gravity of the situation, I began to compose the response in

my head about how humor and satire serve important functions in society, about how humorless reactionaries on the left are really, in the end, no better than humorless reactionaries on the right, et cetera, et cetera. But then I noticed something: my pulse began racing, the back of my neck felt warm. What was happening to me? Was I becoming ill?

Then it hit me: all this stern talk about the objectification of women was getting me... well, it was getting me excited. As I listened to those stern, unyielding-in-the-cause-of-righteousness voices, they became the voices of Sirens, seducing me, seducing me. Platitudes about viewing women as mere pieces of meat meant so much more to me when they came dripping off soft, kissable lips. I no longer saw these women as tired and unattractive. Upon their soapboxes they appeared to me as strong, lusty, Amazon women,

no longer chastising me for being an insensitive, piggy man, but instead beckoning to me, pleading with me to come closer and closer. Their burning bras were now, to me, the light guiding me along an ocean of desire to an island of paradise, an island of scantily clad leggy supermodels, a veritable cornucopia, if you will, of supple heaving...

[EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to the creative differences that usually accompany the threat of a boycott and/or legal action, the usual columnist for "Ask Mr. Smart Guy" is being replaced this week with another, more socially acceptable writer. We apologize for the inconvenience, but we think you'll find that the humor inherent in "Ask Mr. Smart Guy" has not been affected by this sudden staff change. After a good talking to, we hope to be able to return the regular columnist to his devoted readership. Thank you.]

ZEPPPO from 7

judges regarding the high level of preparedness M-W students display when it comes to procedure.

When he speaks about his legal career, it's clear that Zepkin truly loves the law. "It's a great feeling to have a client have confidence in you," he says referring to private practice. Speaking about his work on the bench, he states that it's "a pleasure to try a case where the attorneys have worked hard which makes me work hard...when that happens it's a good rush." He does admit however that the practice of law is more difficult today.

His advice to new attorneys is to set and follow individual standards of conduct. "If one side gets rude, the other lawyer thinks that if he doesn't get rude it's a sign of weakness...You can make it [law] a good career...don't get caught up in the other mess."

As Zepkin says, law... "it's a fantastic ride."

By John Crouch No-stress law school

The Natural Law Party, which says stress is the root of all evil and yoga flying can fix everything, bought a recently-abandoned U.S. Air Force base in Suffolk, Engl. to use as a campus of the University of Natural Law. Students interested in exchange programs should contact Prof. John Levy. (*London Times*).

Bush, Ford boost GOP kill rate
George Bush hit two spectators, Gerald Ford hit one and Bill Clinton hit none in the Bob Hope Classic. One Bush victim's nose needed 10 stitches. (*USA Today*).

Judge drank the evidence
"Drinking the evidence" in a DUI case and fondling prosecutors earned Houston judge J. R. Musslewhite a stern reprimand. (*USA Today*).

What makes judges drink
During a lunch break in his trial, Glen Telford of Bedlington, Engl. robbed the judge. (*London Times*).

Outer Limits

Better excuses needed

Brenda Hersey of Claremont, N.H. didn't want to admit to her boyfriend that she was lost for an hour, so she said men posing as police raped her. (*USA Today*).

Le mot juste

Why does Roseanne need bodyguards? Well, they make great spare husbands. Roseanne and her man are spending the honeymoon at Rip Taylor's place, where the compactor is marked "Trash" in diamonds. (*USA Today*).

Happy times in high school

A Bethesda, Md. high school held a mass "depression screening" with help from Prozac salesmen. Parents were surprised when it turned into a Prozac "product promotion." (*USA Today*).

They should know

Former Navy Secretary John Lehman, an Assistant Secretary and an admiral said they bought Sperry Marine because they were looking for a company "that had been corrupted by the Pentagon."

(*Richmond Times-Dispatch*).

Keep the horse sober

In Somerset, Pa., Bill Osselburn is getting a horse and buggy because his drivers' license was suspended after he refused a blood alcohol test. (*USA Today*).

Liquor control can be fun

Liquor control agents said a male stripper, aged 75, made physical contact with the audience and simulated sex acts while dancing for the VFW Ladies' Auxiliary in Amherst, Ohio. (*USA Today*).

Mao leads in early poll

China's heir apparent, President Jiang Zemin, came in dead last in a popularity poll. Bill Clinton beat him with two percent, Deng Xiaoping took 10 percent, and Chairman Mao Tse-tung won with 40 percent. (*London Times*).

Being Barbie

Cindy Jackson, 39, of Highgate, Engl., has had 19 operations in seven years in order to look exactly like Barbie. She was born ugly on a remote Ohio farm, she says. "I have no interests in

serious relationships ... I don't respect [rich men], but who the hell would deny themselves luxury, fast cars, top-rate food and sensual pleasures?" (*London Times*).

Chainsaw speech unprotected

Halfdan Prahls was arrested for carving his initials into the barroom floor with a chainsaw at the Viva Zapata in Westport, Conn. He thought a man who would have been amused still owned it. (*USA Today*).

Prince shares feelings

The artist formerly known as Prince wrote "SLAVE" across his face for the American Music Awards because he felt enslaved by Warner Bros. (*USA Today*).

But Fawn's are more original

Oliver North "made me feel like a paper cup," his former secretary Fawn Hall said. (*London Times*).

The saintmaker

Pope John Paul has canonized as many saints as all his predecessors combined. (*London Times*).

TRADING CARDS: TOP-DOLLAR DATES EARN THEIR KEEP

DAVE DAWSON

Do you want to buy Mike Brady? Why not Dave Dawson?

J. Crew-clad and squeaky clean, this suburban yuppie went for a bundle.

When not playing pool, Dave spends his time thinking about getting that eight-track. What else is there to say about Dave? Well, we can't think of anything.

TONI FREISS

Toni Friess has been a trading card more times than anyone cares to remember. Toni is a beloved Legal Skills T.A. This may explain her high price at the auction as yet another 2L kisses up to her in the desire to increase his G.P.A. (And no matter what anyone else tells you, it wasn't a certain special 2L: wink, wink.)

COURTNEY COLLINS

Once a Moot Court goddess, now just another highly priced piece of meat. And that's the way love goes.

Courtney leads a very exciting life outside of the law school. Her boyfriend is a licensed pilot. We wonder if she's gone a mile high? And along the same lines, she loves tax.

AMANDA KESSLER

Amanda is part of the 1L clique that is trying to relive their freshman college years. They eat together, play together...sleep together? As with other important dates in her life, her parents were right behind her. Daddy even placed an impressive bid on his little girl as Salt-n'-Pepa moaned in the background.

Battered food and smokers welcome at Candle Factory

By Kim Tolhurst
and Lori Petruzzelli

For an adventure in Norge, go to The Candle Factory. The Factory, as we affectionately call it, is a restaurant surrounded by a candle and soap shop, a candy store, a country store, and several other places which would seem to be tourist attractions.

The restaurant, however, claims to be the place "where the locals eat." If this is true, then the locals are a chain smoking bunch. When we asked to be seated in the non-smoking section, we were escorted through a nice, large, open area with a barn-like ceiling and a warm, country kitchen feel to a smallish area near the kitchen. Here, at least,

is a place where smoking is still fashionable.

Aside from smoke, The Candle Factory offers a wide variety of sandwiches and salads, all cheaply priced (example: hamburger, \$2.50). We were in a rush and did not get a chance to apply strict scrutiny to the menu, though Lori did catch a glimpse of a sub called the "Rebel." Yes, this is where the chain-smoking rebels (I mean locals) eat. Lori ordered the fried chicken fingers. These were accompanied by sweet and sour sauce for dipping, a spiced apple slice, and crinkly french fries. Although Lori found the chicken to be passably tasty, her meal was clouded by an altercation with the wait-

ress (with a similar moniker, Laurie, coincidentally). When Lori told Laurie that her silverware was dirty, Laurie at first ignored her, then ran by, snatching the offending fork and knife in a quick grabbing motion, before begrudgingly bringing Lori a clean set of utensils. As a result, Lori suffered acute emotional distress and was hardly able to touch her spiced apple. Way to go, Laurie!

Kim, rushing so as not to be late for Jurisprudence, abruptly ordered Tuesday's special, which turned out to be a Monte Cristo sandwich. The sandwich was the traditional ham and cheese between bread which had been dipped in egg batter and lightly

sprinkled with powdered sugar. To Kim's dismay, the battered bread was of an inferior quality, lacking in the texture and crispness one might hope for in such a sandwich. The overall taste was fine.

One remarkable feature of Kim's meal was the weird cooked banana which lay on the plate beside the sandwich. Gingerly she sampled the banana, which appeared to be half a banana buttered and set on a griddle for a few seconds.

When Lori (not Laurie) asked what it tasted like, Kim replied, "It tastes like a weird cooked banana." This was only partly true, however, for in fact the cooking process stripped the ba-

nana of its banana flavor. Truth be known, it actually tasted like a weird cooked nothing.

Because they were in a rush, Lori and Kim did not get to browse in any of the adjoining shops. Too bad, because Kim wanted to sample some of the fudge in the candy shop and Lori had an insatiable desire to purchase soap. They left in a flurry, barely noticing the friendly host at the door (who Lori mistook as a panhandler when he visited our table whilst we dined). They left only a small tip for mean Laurie.

RECOMMENDATION: Go there if 1) You smoke; 2) You can tolerate either dirty utensils or mean waitresses; or 3) You like weird cooked bananas.

Music for the Masses

TLC's *CrazySexyCool* a solid classic; Van Halen unchanged

By Eleanor Bordeaux
and Scott Layman

Van Halen *Balance*

In the space of time since Van Halen's last studio album, *For Unlawful Carnal Knowledge*, the rock and roll landscape has changed dramatically. In particular, the 90's have seen the advent of grunge and neo-punk rock in contrast to the bombastic classic rock for which Van Halen is best known. But Van Halen has obviously built up a solid fan base because their tenth studio release, *Balance* (their fourth with Sammy Hagar on vocals), recently debuted at number one.

Basically, Van Halen pulls few surprises. They stick to the successful formula employed on their last four CDs: top-40 ballads and a few rockers (even though their hard sounding songs are tame compared to much of today's new rock).

The first single, "Don't Tell Me (What Love Can Do)," is a solid rock song, and also serves as a good litmus test for the CD. You must get by Hagar's screeching and sometimes annoying voice and enjoy this song to like *Balance*.

Van Halen is a group that concentrates more on music than on message. Deep lyrics are not this band's strong suit. The band has a tribute to the city of "Amsterdam" which Hagar has said is the "ultimate party city," perhaps because it can "stone you like nothin' else can." Of course there are a few ballads: "Can't Stop Lovin' You" is great; "Not Enough" is definitely not enough of a good song. "Take Me Back (Deja Vu)" is a good, fun tune in the spirit of "Summer Nights." "The Seventh Seal" and "Feelin'" are solid rockers, but others, like "Big Fat Money" and "Aftershock," fall flat. There are also three instrumentals, none of which

are anything special.

Overall, this is probably on par with their past efforts. Van Halen fans are likely to enjoy *Balance*, just because of name recognition. But if you are looking for something fresh and innovative, your money would be better spent elsewhere.

TLC *CrazySexyCool*

The latest release from TLC is a surprisingly good, solid CD. Instead of resting on the success of their first release, TLC challenged themselves and came out with a CD that far eclipses the success of *OOOOOoh... On the TLC Tip*.

The difference may be due to contributions made by such strong songwriters as Babyface and the artist formerly known as Prince. Although some of the tracks have a certain flavor reflecting the input of these writers, TLC takes these songs and adds their own style, making them

uniquely their own.

The CD begins with the popular track "Creep," which sets the tone. It gets off to a good start and gets progressively better. Songs with good danceable beats include "If I Was Your Girlfriend," "Switch," and "Kick Your Game," while tracks such as "Take Our Time" and "Red Light Special" demonstrate astonishingly good vocal abilities. The CD has a little bit of something for everyone including a couple of slow jams.

On the surface, *CrazySexyCool* comes across as light and fun filled. However, on a deeper level, it addresses such themes as superficial people in "Case of the Fake People" and the increase in gang violence in "Sumthin' Wicked This Way Comes."

Without a doubt TLC has outdone themselves. If they can continue to put out CDs of this quality TLC will be around for a long time.

Cinema Cynicism

Stone a surprising asset to *The Quick and the Dead*

By Steven Youngkin

Before I begin my movie review this week, just a few brief comments about the Academy Award nominations. First, I'm very happy to see that the Academy looked beyond the darkness and violence of *Pulp Fiction* to give it the seven nominations that it deserves, including Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Director and Best Original Screenplay (which, if there is any justice in this world, it will win). As for *Forest Gump*'s 13 nominations (the second highest in history, right behind *All About Eve* with 14), the best I can say is that I'm not surprised. The movie had the

biggest commercial impact out of all the movies released last year and so the massive sweep of the nominations reflected its effect on the country.

My biggest gripe was the omission of *Hoop Dreams*. This was a brilliant documentary detailing the dreams of two high school boys in the intercity. It is mesmerizing, intelligent and brilliantly made. The studios and critics alike were pushing for this movie to be the first documentary in history nominated for Best Picture (which it deserved). But not only did it not receive that nomination, it wasn't even nominated for Best Documentary.

Unfortunately, this should not have surprised anyone. The Academy has a notorious history of completely ignoring any documentary that has the audacity to be noticed by the general public. In just the recent past, movies such as *Roger and Me*, *The Thin Blue Line*, *Brother's Keeper*, and *Paris is Burning* have been overlooked by the Academy which tends to go with documentaries that no one has neither heard of nor will ever see, thereby cheapening the entire process by excluding otherwise worthy movies. *Hoop Dreams* was damned the moment anyone paid attention to it.

NOW FOR THE REVIEW:

Sam Raimi is one of the few directors who appears to actually be in love with the camera. Whereas most directors (with the exception of Oliver Stone) try to draw as little attention to themselves as possible, Raimi films his scenes in such an outlandish, over-the-top fashion, that you can't help but laugh. You're not actually laughing at the movie, you're laughing at the fact that anyone would actually think of doing this as a scene. Because Raimi is so willing to make his movies completely cartoonish, he manages to overcome stories that might otherwise be predict-

able and rather stilted in concept.

That is very much the case in *The Quick and the Dead*. In this sly spoof of a western, Sharon Stone comes riding into the town of Redemption. She claims to be in town solely for the quick draw competition which has a grand prize of \$120,000 but it quickly becomes obvious that she is more interested in killing the evil sheriff played by Gene Hackman. She spends the rest of the movie trying to realize her true mission while trying to survive the competition.

That latter goal is a tricky

See MOVIE on 16

Funky band, funky clothes at Ball

By Dartagnan Jackson

I wasn't expecting much from Barrister's this year; last year's formal left an indelible mark on me—it's a very ugly scar and if you ask to see it, I'll show you.

4:10 p.m. Getting ready. Three hours later our transformations were complete. I had set the itinerary for the evening; there were a number of pre-parties—most notably Julie Patterson (3L), Robert Kaplan (3L) and M-W's own Neil Young, Tom Church (1L), Mike and Julie Phillips (2L) and a series of 1L parties.

We decided to go to Kap's first and then the Phillips's.



—Neil Lewis

7:20 p.m. As we strutted our stuff up to the darkened front door, the previously hidden steps jumped up and tripped me. The casualties included my knees, my suit pants, two six packs of beer, a plate—and of course, my pride.

8:20 p.m. I had humiliated my date and myself for long enough at Kap's, so we went to Mike Phillips's for his traditional renderings of Frank Sinatra and intoxicating conversation. 2Ls Carey Lee and Rick Cross looked radiant as M-W's latest couple to make their love known to the world.

9:45 p.m. Finally, we hit Barrister's for a PHAT remix of a Mary J. Blige standard, which set the tone of the evening.

I had been quite skeptical of 3L Martha McGlothlin's decision to hire a band instead of a cool DJ, but soon realized that Risse was the same funky band to which I had danced my way through formals at Duke. Delivering hard-edged, funky interpretations of late eighties R&B

numbers, Risse lived up to my nostalgia.

Initially seeing a roomful of strangers, I realized, on second glance, that these were the same usually poorly dressed people I called my peers. I never realized what make-up, heels, suits and tuxedos, and a few drinks could do for M-W students.

Last year, I was witness to the largest number of fashion errors and disasters ever recorded in one place at one time. This crowd was different; I think more people kept their lights on when selecting their outfits for the evening, or made these selections sober this year.

Perhaps one reason the crowd looked so much better this year was due to the bewitching 1L men and women. Some of the obvious standouts of that class were Kerry Murphy, Alison "Oil of Olay" Tuley, Yvonne Jones and Camille Bennett.

In fairness, I should mention there were some standout men as well—not that I noticed or anything. Tim "Golden Boy" Hughes, Ken "I can drink you under the table" Greenspan, Mike Friedman, Jeff Almedia, and Scott Boak all proved to be gallant in either a tuxedo or a suit.

There was a disturbing lack of 3Ls, but those that showed up for their last ever hurrah went all out. Erin Masson was sporting her Bob Mackie original floor-length beaded dress with mixed reviews. Two snaps up for the effort. Amy Rollins and Toni "I'm every woman" Friess both chose basic black, as did many women, and it worked well for the both of them.

Beth Bruns turned in yet another stunning fashion performance, much to the delight (I am sure) of her fiancée, Gabe. The always ebullient Joe Guarino pulled his look off quite well; I am certain after the quasi-porno smooch fest he perpetrated with Leslie Sides on the dance floor, Joe pulled his look completely off later in the evening. When asked about "the kiss," he re-



—Neil Lewis

sponded, "It was just a little kiss." "Little" my butt; he practically gave her a dental checkup on the dance floor. His whole head was practically in her mouth—it was like watching a Nova special.

The 2Ls this year showed just how much they've got goin' on. Moot moguls Courtney Collins and Ann Davis looked like "Land o' Lakes butta." Jen Healy and Nikki Hanna were certainly hot numbers to keep an eye on. Eileen McNeil gets a "Dart Jackson three snap" for shooting novocain into her "broken" foot and throwing on a pair of three inch heels. Fashion before pain has always been my motto. Rani Sue "There's no place like Home" Russell-Shea and Chris Shea-Russell made a lovely couple. Obviously, Rani had figured just the right amount of time into "their" schedule to create a winning ensemble—can't wait to see the wedding album.

The 2L men were working it just as much as the ladies. Bill Brick and Mick Moore were beaming with pride. Jim Love made a rare, but amusing public appearance, with his lovely wife; another rare appearance was made by John Kemper and his lovely date Logan prompting me to wonder, "When are we going to hear that band, John?" M-W's own "Chairman of the Board" Mike Phillips looked particularly dashing with the snappy brocade vest under the tux.

Now this Barrister's Ball wrap up wouldn't be complete without mentioning the winners of the Belle(s) of the Ball award this year. The honor is being shared by 2Ls Lisa "Back up off me" Moxley, Jen "None of Yo Business" Goldstein, and Dawn

"New Attitude" Raines—Williamsburg's very own House of Style. The tantalizing trio set the room ablaze as soon as they strutted in. Jen's peekaboo number screamed of class and made me wish that my name was Demian Schane (1L). Raines took control of the room with her fiery red number, but alas her heart too belongs to an older M-W grad.

Damn! Nothing, however, could have prepared me for seeing Moxley in the sexiest dress at the Ball. She easily beat out all competitors. Reinforcing the old saying "Forbidden fruit is always the sweetest," Lisa staved off her many interested suitors, yet teased the crowd with her alluring and sensual dancing. A standard has now been set by the House of Style that will be difficult to attain, but half the fun is in trying.

The dance floor was generally packed, especially on hot numbers like the Time's "The Bird," "The Electric Slide" (Perhaps the most pathetic display of dancing I've ever seen), and "Rump Shaker." The SBA social committee and Martha McGlothlin are all to be congratulated for a wonderful evening.

2:00 a.m. The after parties began with reckless abandon. For all those too drunk to realize there were after parties, you did not really miss to much.

4:00 a.m. I arrive home only to find my date for the evening has taken my favorite pillow to use as a foot rest and has found that white dress shirts make wonderful sponges. So I retire, battered, bruised, but happy, anxiously awaiting the next day's conversations about who did what with whom.



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ing, the winner would be:

- Professor Lederer
- Professor Williamson
- I'm not really sure, but it would be worth watching

7. Doug Onley's decision to live on vending machine food:

- is an example of the kind of American gung-ho that's been missing for so long in this country
- shows us that a law student really can eat cheaply

c) is just another example of the cries for help and pleas for attention that we've come to expect from Doug and his ilk

8. The heating and cooling system of the law school:

- maintains the proper temperatures in all seasons
- responds nicely to changes in the outside weather
- was designed by former Nazi medical researchers

9. The electronic microwave book theft detector at the entrance to the library:

a) has significantly cut down on the number of book thefts

b) is a terrific deterrent to illegal behavior

c) creates a buzzing in my fillings every time I go through it, erases film and computer disks, and has virtually assured that I will never conceive a child

10. The overall mood of the student body can be best described as:

- happy
- unhappy
- hypoglycemic

Calendar of Events

THE AMICUS CURIAE
Monday, February 20, 1995

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Tuesday, February 21, 1995

Music: Letters to Clio ("Melrose Place" Anthem Band), NSECT Club.

Musical: "Oliver," Chrysler Hall, Norfolk. Runs through Feb. 26.

Circus: Ringling Brothers - Barnum & Bailey Circus will be at the Norfolk Scope through Feb. 26 and will then move to the Hampton Coliseum from Feb. 28 until March 5.

Movie: "Malcolm X," UC Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Women's Gymnastics: vs. Eastern Michigan, W&M Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thought for the Day: "People ask . . . for criticism but they only want praise." W. Somerset Maugham

Wednesday, February 22, 1995

Music: Mighty Mighty BossTones, The Abyss.

Movie: "Malcolm X," UC Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Men's Basketball: vs. Holy Cross, W&M Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 23, 1995

IRBL Student Symposium: "How Much God in the Schools?" with Pat Robertson and ACLU President Nadine Strossen, UC Auditorium. Bring tickets for reserved seating. No tickets necessary for admission, 6-9:15 p.m.

Theater: "The Matchmaker," presented by W&M Theatre. PBK Hall, 8 p.m.

Beethoven: A concert performed by the W&M Orchestra, UC, Commonwealth Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Town & Gown Luncheon: Bruce Campbell speaks on "Who Were the Nazis?" University Center, Chesapeake Room, 12:15 p.m.

Friday, February 24, 1995

The Matchmaker: PBK Hall, 8 p.m.

Movie: "Sixteen Candles," UC Cafe, 10 p.m.

Lecture: Black History Month Cultural/Lecture Series speaker Dr. Dennis Kimbro on "Think and Grow Rich: A Black Choice," UC auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 25, 1995

The Matchmaker: PBK Hall, 8 p.m.

Music: Ruderalis, UC Cafe, 9 p.m.

Muscarelle Exhibit Openings: "Drawings and Watercolors by Hans Grohs," a collection of landscape drawings and watercolors by German Expressionist Hans Grohs; "James Blair Studies by Lewis Cohen," features plaster and cast bronze three-dimensional models done by Professor Lewis Cohen in developing his sculpture of the Reverend James Blair. Opening reception at the Museum, 5:30-7 p.m.

Sunday, February 26, 1995

The Matchmaker: PBK Hall, 2 p.m.

Music at the Muscarelle: Chamber music concert by the Gallery Players, Muscarelle Museum, 4 p.m.

Monday, February 27, 1995

Men's Basketball: vs. George Mason, W&M Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 28, 1995

Music: Branford Marsalis, The Floodzone, Richmond.

William & Mary Concert Series: "The Ballet Theatre de Bordeaux," PBK Hall, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 1, 1995

St. David's Day Festivities: James Nicholas, a Welsh poet, will speak on "The Secrets of the Welsh Bards," Swem Library Friends' Room, 10 a.m.

William & Mary Concert Series: "The Ballet Theatre de Bordeaux," PBK Hall, 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 2, 1995

Bar Review: Location and drink specials to be announced.

Friday, March 3, 1995

Hockey: The Admirals play at the Scope, Norfolk.

Saturday, March 4, 1995 - Sunday, March 12, 1995

SPRING BREAK!

Please submit your entries for the *Amicus* Events Calendar to Monica Thurmond (2L) or the *Amicus* hanging file. Entries may include activities sponsored by law school organizations, main campus or community events.

LATIN from 1

Western Hemisphere. Discussions centered around three panels: "A New Inter-American System," "Economic Integration and its Cultural Context," and "Sustainable Development."

Alexander Watson, the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs stated in his opening remarks that this is a

"terribly exciting" time in the Western Hemisphere, and the Summit's purpose was to assist in planning for the future of our hemisphere.

The first panel focused on the new relationships between Western Hemisphere nations and a new spirit of trust and cooperation between them. Dr. Eduardo MacGillycuddy, the Ambassador of Uruguay, delivered the keynote speech, and he compared the new system of relations to a "not too organized net of relations," where the strings of the net run and criss-cross from one end of the net to the other. He cited three reasons for this new set of relations.

First, the fall of the Berlin Wall symbolized both the decline of the Soviet Union and the waning of Soviet influence in Latin American Countries. This also served as a symbolic end to the bi-polar world where countries were divided between the Soviet Union and the United States, and where governmental decisions were often based on Cold War ideals.

Second, in recent years, trade blocs have evolved. Although not all of the nations involved in these blocks share the same goals, the trade blocs have served to "create a new environment of politics."

Finally, the countries in the Western Hemisphere have recog-

nized the need to work together and to trust one another. MacGillycuddy recognized that sometimes nations need to help each other, even if to only help themselves.

The "new ingredients" of the new system of relations include the Organization of American States, which serves a new role in preserving democracy in Latin America, and the changed focus of the Inter-American Development Bank, which now assists environmental and human rights projects in addition to their traditional financing role. Finally, MacGillycuddy cited the Summit of the Americas, which was convened by Vice President Gore in 1994, as a symbol of the new cooperation. Unlike at an "empty summit" where little happens, real and substantial planning and cooperation occurred at the Summit of the Americas. It is through this new spirit of cooperation and dialogue that a "path for Latin American for the future" has been created.

Several ambassadors commented after MacGillycuddy's speech, and all appeared to support the panel's theme that democracy is flourishing in Latin America. Sonia Picado, the Ambassador of Costa Rica, discussed human rights and gender equality issues, stating that there must be an end to gender discrimination "in order to have democracy and human rights."

The Ambassador of Guatemala, Edmond A. Mulet, commented that the Summit of the Americas failed to address

several important issues, namely border and territorial disputes and the fate of indigenous peoples. He said the Western Hemisphere nations must recognize the diversity within their borders, or this issue "will be disruptive in the 21st century." Finally, Watson of the United States directly addressed democracy, stating that it is the "only way to flexibly deal" with the problems of poverty, corruption, and human rights concerns.

All of the speakers cited the new spirit of cooperation and a positive environment in which common interests and concerns strengthen relations, without threatening the sovereignty of any nation. The moderator, Professor Herrington J. Bryce of the business school, closed by saying the conversation is no longer a large country speaking to a small country, but a conversation between equals. He also said there is a "new ease of conversation, even if there is disagreement as to the outcome."

A fairly large audience attended, although very few law students turned out. Luz Nagle (3L), originally from Columbia, was disappointed with the lack of law students in attendance as the Summit covered important topics not addressed by the law school curriculum. She stated, "There is much we can learn from each other. People are ignorant because they don't want to know...International trade doesn't start and stop in Asia and Europe."



3L Clay Batchelor and Brian Fratkin are not for sale.

—Lisa O'Donald

A fool and his money don't amuse his wife

By Henry Jardine

The University Center was turned into a prurient pleasure palace on Friday, Feb. 10, for a wonderful combination of charity and libidinous titillation. The Public Service Fund (PSF) was sponsoring its 8th Annual Dinner Date Auction, and with an overwhelming turn-out and strong bidding, the event was able to gross over \$14,000, four thousand dollars more than last year and more than twice the year before.

The mandate behind PSF is to further public service by providing funding for

law students who obtain voluntary public service summer internships and, most importantly, to help the legally under-represented. But clearly, the true value of the event cannot be calculated in mere monetary terms, for things happened that night which offered, for some, incalculable pleasures.

The mood of the evening was set early by young Kenneth Greenspan (1L), who staggered onto the stage in a bumblebee outfit grasping a 30 oz. bottle of the finest malt liquor. With his typical sensitivity and autistic flair, Kenny appeared to be doing an homage to the late, great John Belushi, by gyrating, stumbling and 'honeying-off' on stage. Needless to say, the Mac Daddies of the evening, Ted 'it's not my child' Atkinson (3L) and Neil 'I want a percentage' Lewis (2L), had no problem selling off such valuable flesh. Let's just hope that Kenny's uncle at the Federal Reserve doesn't hear about this and raise the interest rates again.

For the first half of the auction, Ted and Neil were enthusiastically assisted by Dean Krattenmaker. The inimitable Dean's presence offered a Borgia-like papal blessing to the frenzy of bidding that ensued. Women were buying men, men buying women, men buying men, women buying women, and no one was buying the SMH bar review course (the Editor made me write that).

Thankfully, though, there were some limits, as (3L) Michael Homans's wife would not let him take home Alison Tuley (1L), whom he had paid for fair and square. Mike was seen looking very cowed

as he ran around the room trying to sell Alison at bargain prices. When asked why he had wanted to buy Alison in the first place, Mike responded, "It was for charity!" Sure, Mike.

The revelry seemed to reach a feverish pitch as many of the men on the auction block took the principle of truth in advertising one step too far and began to disrobe. Mick Moore (2L), Dave Dawson (2L), and Steve Grocki (1L) were among the notables to bare their souls and chests to the audience. Dave was the most successful, being bought for the princely sum of \$350, which only goes to show you don't always get what you pay for. Greg Rougeau (2L) decided to forgo even wearing clothes and went on stage with his bathrobe and standard-issue jester hat. Greg certainly did not need much persuasion to remove the robe, which was just as well since he was at a loss to explain its many unsightly, yellowish stains.

The evening was saved from becoming simply iniquitous peddling of human flesh, not that iniquitous peddling is bad, by the very smooth and classy behavior of others. Trent T. Williams (1L) glided through the audience to the melodious tune of Sade's "Smooth Operator," passing out flowers to his many admirers. When asked where he got his flowers in the off-season, Trent remarked, "those dead folks didn't need them." Toni Friess (3L), who went for the second highest bid of \$305, merely smiled and a thousand hands were launched into the air in desperate desire to purchase her and lunch at Season's Cafe. Hopefully, there won't be too many crumbs.

The evening reached its glorious heights of entertainment with a performance art work by Jeff Almeida (1L), who appeared to be enacting a Felliniesque piece somewhat reminiscent of the great film maker's "Satyricon." Jeff stood on his head while Scott Boak (1L) poured beer into his mouth. But the most sublime aspect of the work was written on Jeff's bare chest, as the word 'Zeus' was written upside down and backwards to allow the appreciative audience to read it while Jeff stood on his head. When asked what he



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was trying to do, Jeff said "I was seeking to express in a Grecian mythopoeic context that in fact, God is dead." Jeff entitled his piece "Pissed Zeus" and hopes to get future funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Although fun was had by all, and others were able to truly assess their human worth in relation to Toni Friess and Dave Dawson, the reality is that the evening would not have occurred had it not been for the hard work of Danny Reed (2L) and Beth Bruns (3L). They had to begin their efforts many weeks ago, recruiting volunteers, getting donations, and setting up the auction facilities. Ever modest, Beth wanted to say "Thanks to all the volunteers," as it was their help that made the event so successful.

The evening finished in as perverse a fashion as it began, with the ebullient Amanda Kessler (1L) prancing onstage to be sold. However, even more surprising was that Amanda's parents were in attendance that night, apparently to enjoy the sight of their daughter being hocked to the sounds of "Push, Push in the Bush." Ever the good natured sport, Amanda's dad started a brisk bidding for his daughter. There is nothing like the love of a father. However, not to be outdone, Amanda's present male friend bought her, maybe with the thought of impressing a future father-in-law? And as the auctioneer's hammer fell for the last time, thus closed one of the most glorious chapters in the history of M-W.



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A Duck Out of Water

Has-beens and never-weres face off in NFL draft

By Alan Duckworth

The baseball labor dispute has continued to escalate. Now the Federal government is getting seriously involved. Clinton attempted to impose a deadline for a settlement. That deadline came and went and nothing happened. Now, the Congress is attempting to lessen baseball's antitrust exemption. The government's intervention is beginning to take the focus of the dispute away from where it belongs, with Don Fehr and Bud Selig and focus interest in Washington. The problem is that even if the government forces a settlement, it is unlikely to last.

Without the intricate knowledge of the game, no agreement can be fair. And the owners won't accept another unfair deal from the players. And the players would never accept any deal which would potentially eliminate the increases in their salaries. We may have seen the last of major league baseball as we know it. And after the behavior of the two sides over the last month, I don't care.

Pro Basketball

All-Star weekend has come and gone. The game has slowly turned into the major all-star event in any sport. With the Slam Dunk contest, three point shootout and the rookie all-star game, the real festivities start more than a day before the

game.

The most remarkable part of this year's all-star festivities was the role of the guards. In this era of improved big men, guards were the dominant force over the weekend. While it is not surprising that a guard, Harold Miner, won the slam dunk contest and a guard/forward, Glen Rice, won the three point contest, it is surprising that two lesser known guards won the MVP awards for the regular and rookie games. Mitch Richmond lead the way for the West's victory, picking up the MVP.

Even more surprising was Eddie Jones of the Lakers winning the rookie game MVP. With such marquee rookies as Glenn Robinson, Jason Kidd and Juwan Howard playing, late lottery pick Jones had to be considered a long shot to win the award. But he was easily the best player and deserved the award. This fact leads me to one inescapable conclusion: the Lakers will be a championship team again within two years. Jerry West is just that good.

The Rockets are hoping to make another run at the NBA title this year. Towards that goal, they acquired Hakeem Olajuwon's former college teammate, Clyde Drexler. Can Clyde help bring the title to Houston that he and Olajuwon failed to produce at the University of

Houston?

The problem that the Rockets are likely to face now is size. To get Drexler, they traded Otis Thorpe, their starting power forward. Now, except for Olajuwon, the Rockets are lacking quality players at the power positions and their rebounding is likely to get worse, if that's possible. Beat the rush and start second guessing the Rockets now. They aren't going back to the finals this year.

Pro Football

Well, the expansion draft is going on while I write this article. I have just one thought on this draft: Woof. The expansion teams are being stuck with a lot of overpriced has-beens or never-weres. The first player taken was Steve Beuerlein, formerly of the Arizona Cardinals. The man lost his job to Jay Schoeder and Jim McMahon. And he was easily the first choice.

As an example of how bad the draft pool is, Kurt Haws was the sixth player taken. Haws was formerly of the Redskins, having seen action in about half of a game over two seasons. Even Desmond Howard is more productive. And this was the sixth player taken in the draft.

College Basketball

The injury bug has hit UVa again. Cory Alexander is once again out for the

year. He suffered the same injury that kept him out for almost all of last year. This leads to two questions: How will Alexander's absence effect the Cavs? Will his loss improve team chemistry and defense enough to offset his raw athletic ability? Also, will he now follow through on his promise to turn pro after this season?

Coming off consecutive injury-shortened seasons, Alexander's stock has dramatically dropped. In a draft expected to be very deep, he would likely be a later pick, if he is picked at all.

While Virginia is having troubles at the #1 spot, Wake Forest's point guard is having an incredible senior season. Randolph Childress is making a run at player of the year. No, not ACC, but national. His final shot to win the game against ACC cellar dweller Duke (1-10) was one of many examples of Childress's clutch ability.

And speaking of Duke, the team continues to play just well enough to lose. They take UNC to double overtime and lose the next game to Clemson. Duke seems to always find a way to lose. It seems after getting all the lucky breaks for the last few years, that now they can't get any luck. Maybe everything does even out in the end. Well, see you next issue.

Dave & Elmer theorize on strike

By Mike Grable

As the baseball players' strike drags on into its seventh month and the owners begin fielding replacement teams, many Americans are wondering why the players and owners seem so bent on destroying their common interest in the game. For M-W Professors Davison Douglas and Elmer Schaefer, however, the labor and antitrust issues involved are slightly more refined.

"Now that spring training is beginning with replacement and minor league players (or, for the Baltimore Orioles, minor leaguers only), most observers believe the players are under more pressure to settle than the owners.

"The players may have more trouble holding together from now until July, a period when gate receipts are low but salaries lost are the same," Schaefer said. "The owners may have more trouble in the second half of the season, when their lost revenue would be more substantial."

Douglas also thinks the fielding of replacement teams may weaken the players' resolve, but at the moment their union appears strong. Philadelphia Philly Len Dykstra, for example, did

not follow through on his threat to cross the picket line last week, and it appears that Baltimore Oriole Cal Ripken will decline the union's offer to allow him to cross the line to keep his consecutive games played streak alive.

At this point, it does not appear likely that governmental intervention will bring a quick end to the strike. President Clinton's mediation efforts have failed, although Douglas notes that "he was up against some long odds, especially since he was just using persuasion rather than executive orders."

Douglas and Schaefer also agree that congressional action is highly unlikely, given the politics of the new Republican majority and the huge legislative agenda they have already set. Schaefer said he finds it particularly interesting that the players have threatened to call for removal of baseball's antitrust exemption, especially since "the players benefit from having the monopoly. There is some element of bluff in their threatening to get Congress to change the exemption." Although Schaefer said he thinks it is ironic for

baseball to be the only major sport with an antitrust exemption, given its history of providing better compensation for the players than the NFL or NBA, he does not think the exemption is in danger as a result of this strike.

Douglas also said legislative action is unlikely, but for political reasons. "Congress probably will not act," Douglas said. "The notion of congressional intervention in a labor dispute is very unusual, and Republicans are far less likely to want to do so. In the typical labor case, the last thing the Republicans would want is for the government to intervene."

One of the interesting things about this strike, however, is that it is not typical. The typical American worker on strike is interested in earning a "basic living wage," Douglas noted, so the American public may have little sympathy for millionaire players striking for more millions. This attitude has been borne out by recent polls indicating a majority of Americans siding with the owners rather than the players in this dispute.

Douglas also thinks there is a certain amount of "confusion about where the equities lie," cit-



- Stephanie Lewis

ing the recent example of Little League teams being required to pay licensing fees to use the uniforms of Major League Baseball. Although the owners hold the licensing rights and therefore receive these payments, many parents and kids have been blaming the "greedy" players for the fees.

Although Schaefer believes baseball has lost a lot of momentum it built up during a great start to the 1994 season, both he and Douglas believe that the sport will rebound in the long run.

"The thing that I find most striking about American society is how quickly people's views

change," Douglas said. "We've seen it with politicians and it should happen with baseball when the strike is over. In two or three years, the parks may be as full as ever."

Jerry Seinfeld likes to joke that American sports fans are strange in their attachment to teams rather than players: when a player switches from Yankee pinstripes to Chicago black, New York fans go from loving him to hating him. If Seinfeld is right, and we are all really cheering for laundry rather than people, perhaps the rebound in baseball's popularity will come sooner than anyone expects.

Amicus computer-like rankings

Undergrads teach M-W teams the meaning of basketball

By Neil Lewis

Basketball

1. **Well Hung Jury** (Men's B) (2-0)
2. **Hoops** (Women) (2-0)
3. **Solomon's Child** (Men's B) (2-1)
4. **50%** (Men's B) (2-1)
5. **Hoops II** (Co-rec) (2-1)
6. **M-W Gamecocks** (Men's B) (1-1)
7. **The Brothers Felch** (Men's B) (1-1)
8. **Defense** (Men's A) (1-2)
9. **Co-Dreamers** (Co-rec) (1-2)
10. **Court Jesters** (Men's B) (0-1-1)
11. **Pugs** (Men's A) (0-2)
12. **30 Minutes or Less** (Co-rec) (0-2)
13. **Juice II** (Men's B) (0-3)
14. **We Can't Play** (Men's B) (0-3)
35. **Men's C** (in a league of their own) (0-3)

Law School vs. "externs:" 14 wins, 23 losses and 1 tie

Floor Hockey

1. **Ice Monkeys** (Men's B) (1-0)
2. **Dogged by Love** (Men's B) (2-0)
3. **Hanson Brothers** (Men's B) (1-0)
4. **Cal-Gary Isles** (Men's B) (1-0)
5. **The Joke** (Co-rec) (1-0)
6. **Sticks in the Crease** (Co-rec) (1-0)
7. **Kenan 3** (Co-rec) (1-0)
8. **Gimpettes** (Women) (0-0-1)
9. **The Flying Burritos** (Men's B) (0-0)
10. **The Mighty Dorks** (Men's B) (0-1)
11. **Gross Misconduct** (Men's B) (0-1)

Law School vs. "externs:" 8 wins, 2 losses; 1 tie

Can anyone here play this game? That is what I'm asking after the dismal showing of the law schools teams in IM Basketball. If you're just going out to embarrass yourself that's fine (**Men's C, We Can't Play, Juice II**), but if you represent yourself as the best the law school has to offer you had better win once in a while. The disgrace which **Pugs** and **Defense** are bringing upon the law school by playing in a league for which they are not ready will take some time to live down. Their feeble efforts remind me of Dan "O" Pringle's first year A League football

team and of the Softball **Trouncers** of 1993. The A League in Intramurals is no place to learn how to play.

Basketball Highlights and Lowlights

Ascending to the #1 ranking is **Well Hung Jury**, one of the few law school teams to win a game. They actually have won two, one over Kellum Funeral Home 60-45, and a second in which they squeaked by Guys Developing Guts 52-48. "Marky" Mark Miller (2L) led the team in scoring with 37 points in the first game and 51 in the second. How about helping him out the rest of you guys?

#2 **Hoops** is the most dominant team this intramural league has ever seen. Already two-time champions **Hoops** is just going through the motions this year slaughtering every team they meet although they are trying to develop prospect (or is she a suspect?) 3L Kirsten Mueller "Train" for her future as cubicle occupying law slave.

Dropping all the way down to #17 (of 15 teams) is **Men's C**, who are reportedly considering changing their names to Men's D. The poor souls were once again overmatched and underqualified as they got squashed by the one-two combination of **Solomon's Child** 44-9 and **50%** 50-15. Against **Solomon's Child** **Men's C** continued their daring pattern of taking the lead and holding it for but a few precious seconds and then getting destroyed. The C-sters led 3-2 before 3L Russ "T" Foster took the game into his own hands and led a 40-2 run. 40 to 2. Twenty baskets to one. Thirteen three pointers and a free throw to one lay up. It truly boggles the mind.

It has to be the team play of **Men's C** that makes them the worst they can be. 3L Doug Reinhart "of gold" refused to shoot in the first half because he didn't want to ruin his shooting percentage. 3L Jon "Bon Jovi" Rotter didn't care how many points he scored as long as he could keep his roommate 3L Bryan "Fratkid" from

someone, he makes a notch on his arm.

The bulk of the movie consists of shootouts between the various participants. Since we already have an idea of the conclusion, Raime manages to achieve the seemingly impossible. He uses his love of the camera to film each of the shootouts in a unique fashion. Some are done very fast, others are done quite slowly. He also throws in a number of great camera tricks, the best being when a character knows he has been shot by looking at his shadow and seeing a nice round hole in the center of his body. No blood, mind you, just a neat round hole. Because of these and other tricks, the otherwise predictable scenes become quite fun.

This would all be a nice technical exercise if Raime didn't have a strong cast to back him up. Leonardo Da Caprio acquits himself quite nicely by providing just the right amount of adolescent bravado necessary. Gene Hackman once again proves that he is one of America's most talented actors. He manages the feat

scoring more. 3L "White" Brad Wagshul selfishly refused to attempt a half court shot because, said a team spokesman, "he's a wimp."

In the game against **50%** things got worse for the C men, who were outscored by **50%**'s 3L "Col. Henry" Blake Guy 17-15 as they lost 50-15. Although all of their games end with the other team winning by the **Men's C** rule (up by 35 with less than 10 minutes to play) the C's hung in there in this game until there were only four minutes left. VICTORY!

In other scores of note **30 Minutes or Less** got drubbed by the Phlegm Dogs 43-9 and by the Bogies 54-29, **Court Jesters** tied Eastern Block 22-22, **Pugs** got whipped by Pika-A 56-44 and by Kappa Sig Tubesteak 52-43, **We Can't Play** proved it by losing to Deliverance 63-28, and **Hoops II** snuck by **Co-Dreamers** 64-46.

Kappa Sig Oriental has to be stopped. In the past two weeks they humiliated **Brothers Felch** 43-23, and then they turned around and stomped **Juice II** 68-38. Will somebody defend the honor of the law school and beat these guys please?

Floor Hockey Highlights and Lowlights

Gross Misconduct was a major disappointment in the first week, losing to the old chubby **Cal-Gary Isles** 2-1, and dropping from pre-season #1 to their present ranking of #11. The Sultan of Rec Sports Joe "Mama" Tighe effectively snuffed out any hopes that **Gross** had by goaltending ruthlessly turning away shot after shot. 3L and **Gross** Captain Steve "Pop" Arner had a chance to tie the game with Tighe flat on his back but choked on the easy goal. **Gross** had many chances at power plays because of the goon defense of the Isles, led by team hitman "Mr." Bill Jonas who did not hesitate at all in throwing his considerable weight around.

#1 and obviously the best team in the law school are the **Ice Monkeys**, who torched the over rated **Mighty Dorks** in a

preseason exhibition 1-0. The sole goal came on a typical cherry picking goal by 2L Neil "before me" Lewis. It was the only shot that snuck by Dorky goaltender 2L Bill Brick "Wall." Impressive **Monkey** goaltender 2L "Mutton" Jeff Marks turned in a shutout in his first appearance helped by the fine defensive play of 2L's Tad Fisher "of men" and "Thunder" Dan McInerney. The **Monkeys** also won their first regulation game in a laughter over the Cross Czechs 7-2.

Dogged by Love made a strong first week appearance and ascends to the #2 spot. Although they used questionable personnel moves the **Dogs** won each of their first two games--the first one over We like Roy 8-4 and the second over Pika-B 9-0. The Wayne Gretzky of the law school was found and his name is 2L Dan "the man" Hessel. Hessel tallied 8 goals in the two games, despite spending many minutes off ice for his love of high sticking. "It's not so much that I have to swing the stick that high," Hessel said, "I'm just hoping that I get lucky and slice off an appendage or put out someone's eye. That would be cool. Heh heh, heh heh."

2L Jim Love "Muscle" of the plummeting #10 **Mighty Dorks** received the first recorded five minute unsportsmanlike conduct penalty of the young season for throwing his stick at the ref after a goal was not called that Love felt had been scored. The **Dorks** lost 4-3 to the Charlestown Chiefs and aren't making friends with any of the refs and in fact tallied 19 minutes of penalties (in a thirty minute game) compared to four minutes for the Chiefs.

Wipe that egg off of my face--**The Hanson Brothers** slammed the Cowboys 10-0 and shoot way up in the rankings to #3. They are the first law school team to win by slaughter rule this season in hockey and they did it on the strength of hat tricks by 1L's "No Peace No" Justin Gilman and David "They earn it" Hausman. The strong defense of 1L's Pringle and Demian "Come Back" Shane held the weak Cowboys to a mere four shots on goal.

The soccer players of #7 **Kenan 3** beat Fab 5 3-1 by (and I'm quoting their press release) "demonstrating that the art of passing learned in the world's greatest sport can overcome those who pretend to excel in hockey by means of brute force." I really don't know what to say to that. Yeah I do. The world's greatest sport? It's nothing here in America pal, and since we're the greatest nation on the earth that sport means nothing too. USA! USA! USA! USA! Excuse me.

3L "Mr." Ed Efke scored two goals on nifty "soccer-style" passing from 3L Wendy "Quality is our recipe" Hahn. Fab 5 racked up many penalties and were no match for the inspired defense of **Kenan 3**, which held them to 10 shots on goal.

Team Captains, remember to give me information about your teams or I will make up my own. Just ask 2L Mark Miller.

MOVIE from 11

task indeed. In addition to Stone and Hackman (who is the reigning champion), other participants include a gunslinger turned preacher, the alleged son of Hackman (Leonardo Da Caprio), an Indian who claims he cannot be killed by a bullet, and an ex-con who is so tough that instead of making a notch on his gun when he kills

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filled with guns and our inner city schools have metal detectors. Enough is enough. The war on drugs never had a chance. People want cocaine just like they wanted alcohol when it was illegal. Cocaine is certainly harmful and addictive but prohibition isn't the answer. Education and public awareness are. Why are we spending so much money keeping people in prisons and artificially inflating the prices of drugs which keeps the criminals rich? Let's legalize cocaine, tax it, and control it with education.

of playing over the top without ever looking like he is hamming it up. He brings real menace to his character. Granted, his performance is just a slight comic twist on his Academy Award winning character in Clint Eastwood's *Unforgiven*. But I have no problem with that. Hackman was brilliant in that movie and he's smart enough to go with what works.

Stone, though, is the true surprise. I was convinced walking into this movie that she was going to the film's biggest liability. After all, this is not a woman with a great list of cinematic accomplishments. Granted, she's a better actress than Kim Basinger (which is saying very little indeed), yet still very weak. But she is used to good effect here. Stone's line readings are so wooden (purposely so) and she is so monosyllabic that her character turns into one of the funniest spoofs of Clint Eastwood in some time. For once, she has found a way to take her limited range and turn it into a comic asset.