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Funds, woods saved; Staff cut
By John Crouch
Last week Gov. George Allen signed bills that undid college budget cuts and kept the state from selling Lake Matoka and the College Woods without the consent of the legislature and two-thirds of W&M's Board of Visitors. Allen narrowed the Woods bill, which originally protected all W&M property.
Allen also broadened the Workforce Transition Act to offer bonuses to induce acceptance of the legislature and the ABA reaccreditation team.

ABA reaccreditation team visits, talks to students
By Mario A. Pacella
As a part of their two and a half day visit to M-W, the combined ABA and American Association of Law Schools teams spoke with a group of students Thursday, March 30. After a brief introduction to the process, the examiners listened to what students had to say about the school. In addition, members of the team posed a couple of questions, which sparked a great deal of discussion among the few students there, including Charlie Johnson (3L), Ted Atkinson (3L), Daniel Barnes (2L), and Lienelle Dugger (3L). The session lasted almost two hours.

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From the Editor’s Desk

Public Service Fund (PSF) Pledge Week runs from Monday, April 3 through Friday, April 7. During that time period, PSF volunteers will be situated in the lobby taking your pledges, which involves donating a day of your summer earnings or whatever you can afford to PSF.

These are the facts. As most of you already know, PSF is W&M’s extraordinarily successful fundraising organization. It provides stipends to students working in public interest positions which would otherwise be unpaid. Last year, students who received stipends worked in the Abuse and Neglect Division in the D.C. government, legal aid offices, Commonwealth Attorney offices, and numerous other positions.

The level of support that the law school community provides to PSF is virtually unprecedented elsewhere. At other schools of comparable size, similar organizations struggle to raise one-third of what we are able to achieve here. That said, Pledge Week is a vital last step in the yearly fundraising process. This year PSF has announced that it seeks to achieve full participation among the law students. Even if you can only give $5, it will be greatly appreciated when it comes time to hand out stipends. If you can afford $50, this year’s PSF T-shirt is included. The theme, “Give a Day of Wages, Receive a World of Thanks” is printed on the back with the PSF logo on the front. Pledges are due until the fall.

The main question on the minds of students applying for PSF stipends is whether everyone who applies will receive funding. Last year, with over $30,000 raised PSF funded 18 students. Yet, several students who were willing to dedicate their summers were not given funding. Although PSF has had a record year to date in fundraising, Pledge Week is crucial toward assuring that no one goes unfunded. The number of students

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Out Of Our Heads

By Doug Steinberg

The military’s gay ban, also known by the misnomer of the “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy, has received a serious setback in federal court. And rightfully so. Judge Nickerson, in the Eastern District of New York, decided the policy was unconstitutional even under a rational basis scrutiny test.

I am not surprised. When I first started work for Service-members Legal Defense Network, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting the rights of service members who are perceived gay, my boss described the new “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy as the old policy simply dressed up in drag like a cheap hooker. I quickly learned from on job experience that the policy Bill Clinton’s staff of wonder kids dreamed up was not even vaguely similar to the policy he tried to placate the American public with back in the summer of 1992. During that summer I personally saw this policy arbitrarily destroy the careers and

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Natural Law

by Jack Mackerel

Much to his chagrin, Jack makes a critical error during his appellate argument, and hits the wrong button on the courtroom 21 console.

Letters

Dear Editor:

I was deeply gratified to see that the Amicus had extensive coverage of the IBRL Student Division symposium, “How Much God in the Schools?” Henry Jardine’s story was brilliantly written, as were several other related stories in the March 20 issue. Unfortunately, I could not help but notice that there were some inconsistencies between three of the stories that appeared.

The Bill of Rights Institute, Student Division was the sponsor of the “How Much God in the Schools?” symposium, as was correctly reported on page 1. The Bill of Rights Journal was not the sponsor, as was incorrectly reported on page 4. Conversely, the Bill of Rights Journal was the sponsor of the “Access v. Privacy” symposium, as was correctly reported on page 1, not the “How Much God” symposium, as was incorrectly reported on page 4.

Nadine Strossen spoke at the “How Much God” Symposium, as was correctly reported on page 1, and she also spoke earlier that same day about pornography, as was correctly reported on page 4 (but these were two otherwise unrelated events).

I am a 2L, as was correctly reported on page 4; conversely, I am not a 3L, as was incorrectly reported on page 1.

I know all those Rights, Bill’s, L’s and stuff can be terribly confusing, but I hope I have been able to clear things up.

-Peter Owen (2L)
Committees to render judgement on abroad programs, journals

By Sarah Newman
The Committee on Law Reviews met for the first time two weeks ago to discuss their plan for implementing the goals set forth by Dean Krattenmaker concerning funding and academic credit for M-W law reviews. At this initial meeting, the committee decided to gather information about the current situation of M-W law reviews, as well as exploring the practices at peer schools.

The Committee also resolved to attempt to work with the standing Curriculum Committee in examining the current proposals of the Environmental Law and Policy Journal. In the past, the Curriculum Committee has been responsible for decisions regarding credit for journal work.

The notion of a student representative on the Committee was also raised, and will be discussed in later meetings. Committee Chair and Vice Dean Jayne Barnard advised that input of students both on and not on law reviews will be sought in making decisions. The Committee will meet again this month.

Krattenmaker also recently appointed a Committee on the Summer Abroad Programs that "should review the mission of our summer abroad programs and, from that base, lay out a strategic plan for the future including standards for adding or deleting programs." Members of this committee include Barnard and Professors Collins, Coven, Koch, and Levy. The committee is chaired by Professor Linda Malone, who is currently on leave. According to Barnard, this committee will meet for the first time this summer. Programs for study abroad for the Summer 1995 session will not be affected.

Profs, Habitat for Humanity build homes and dreams

By Wen Cheng
This year Habitat for Humanity commemorates its 10th anniversary on the Peninsula. The organization attracts a broad cross-section of volunteers from all walks of life, including professionals. Lawyers, among them several W & M law school faculty and graduates, have extended their resources to help build Habitat houses. In April, Lawyers in Support of Peninsula Habitat for Humanity presented a seminar entitled "Survival Guide to Will and Estate Matters: Peace of Mind in Your Practice." The seminar was held at the Omni Hotel in Newport News and was approved by the Virginia State Bar for four hours of continuing legal education credit, including two hours of ethics credit. All proceeds from the program went to Peninsula Habitat.

Organization for the presentation was initiated last summer by Professor Paul Marcus and a group of practicing lawyers, including M-W graduates Bill Datta, Paula Caplinger, and Len Heath. Marcus, a criminal justice specialist at our school since 1992, moderated a panel discussion dealing with the ethical issues involved in trust and estates law. The panel of judges included Walter J. Ford, Robert P. Frank, and M-W graduates Lydia C. Taylor and Wilford Taylor. Professor John Donaldson also participated, speaking on ethical issues for trust and estate lawyers. The seminar provided an excellent opportunity for judges, administrators, lawyers, and professors to meet and discuss tough issues raised in the area.

Marcus, a former member of the Peninsula Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors, saw an opportunity to create a unique public service arm for the local bar. "Lawyers in this community felt strongly that we as professionals could provide an educational service to our colleagues while giving financial support for the wonderful building projects of Habitat." The organizing lawyers expressed gratitude for the assistance received from the College and several students. A large number of private contributors, the law school, and all the bar associations in the region contributed to the great success of the project.

Currently, Habitat is working on an all-woman-built house to be known as "Lilly's Pad." Women are primarily funding the project as well. Andrea Phelps ('94), an associate with Payne, Gates, Farthing & Radd in Norfolk, is the Project Chair for "Lilly's Pad." Andrea says the house is modeled after two other all-woman-built houses also in Norfolk, appropriately named the "House that Jill Built 1 & 2." Phelps became involved with Peninsula Habitat for Humanity as a 3L when the Peninsula Executive Director, Lorraine Austin, gave a speech at her church.

Phelps is cur-
Dawson wins National Trial Team competition

By Lee Ranieri

The final round of the National Trial Team competition was held on the morning of Saturday, March 25, and although David Dawson (2L) might not have won the battle, he won the war. In a close contest decided on the competitors' performances rather than the merits of the tried case, Dawson prevailed over fellow finalist Krista Griffith (2L) to receive the selection of the National Trial Team. Dawson is the first student in years—perhaps ever—to win the tournament. In a close contest decided by Felton, the judge announced that the decision was a difficult one.

For this final round of the selection competition, the judge was Walter Felton, M-W faculty member and Deputy Attorney General for the State of Virginia. The jurors consisted of a local attorney and current Trial Team member Gil Bartlett. Dawson represented the plaintiff (3L Llezelle Dugger) in the tort case, defendant (3L Ted Atkinson), and another party. Dawson had both performed well, and that the decision was a difficult one.

Winner Dave Dawson and runner-up Krista Griffith hold trophies flanked by Trial Team members Bryan Fratkin (left) and Charles Johnson (right)

Law review reviewers have several things in mind

By Sarah Newman

A committee to review the M-W academic journals met this week with several goals in mind. According to a memo from Dean Krattenmaker, the new committee's job will be to establish policies and procedures for (a) approving new law reviews; (b) awarding credits, both major paper and academic hour, for law review participation; (c) faculty oversight of established law reviews; and (d) resource allocation among law reviews. The committee was formed at the request of the faculty after concerns were raised about the present lack of structured policies in dealing with the handful of law reviews at M-W.

These issues were brought to the forefront last year after the Journal of Women and Law and The Bill of Rights Journal both came forward last year with proposals seeking school credit for work on their respective publications. The proposals of both journals were accepted by the Curriculum Committee, but the faculty felt that the law school needed to form some more definitive policies and standards to determine when to allow journal work to provide academic credit and other areas of managing the reviews.

Members of the Committee on Law Reviews include Professors Schaefer, LeBel, Douglas, Dickerson and Liz Jackson. The Committee chair is Vice Dean Jayne Barnard. She stated there is no need for students "to worry about" what the committee's decisions might mean for their journals, adding that the Committee's work may or may not result in new policies. Barnard explained the overall goal is to "streamline the processes that the journals go through for credit approval, supervision, etc. in order to make them work most efficiently."

The Committee will establish a timeline for implementing any new decisions at their initial meeting on Thursday, April 6.
My summer vacation with PSF: Too close to death

By Lizzelle Agustín Dugger

The sentence was death.

Although it took over a year for the case to go to trial, I still was not prepared for the sentence rendered by the jury on March 3, 1995. Everyone on the defense team knew it would be a victory if we could get a life sentence, but it still felt like a punch in the stomach.

The murder occurred in December of 1993 in a small rural county of Virginia. Later that month a minor was charged with the capital murder. Two attorneys were assigned to defend the minor, and the ordeal began.

I came into the case during the summer of 1994 as a Public Service Fund Fellow. Discovery had started, and the defense team was fighting to keep the defendant within the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court. After a couple of appeals and remands, Steve Roach was indicted for capital murder in the Circuit Court of Greene County, Virginia.

I spoke with Steve Roach several times over that summer, both on the phone and in person. He was not what I expected. The last impression I had of him was of a likable young man who had not learned that every act had its consequences. He was 17 when he allegedly shot Mary Ann Hughes, a 70-year-old neighbor. When the case went to trial, Steve was 18.

The summer I spent as part of the defense team affected me in ways I did not expect. I worked for the lead counsel, David L. Heilberg, and he loved to delegate meaningful tasks to law students. I never had to worry about what I would get to do was busy work. Instead, I found myself at the center of trial preparation: interviewing witnesses, talking with the private investigator, developing a list of trial theory, etc.

All the bases had to be covered — motions filed, procedures followed, it's crossed, and it's dotted — to make sure there were no violations of Steve Roach's due process rights.

Although I had to return to school and no longer had day-to-day contact with the case, I made sure I was in Greene County when the case came to trial during the week of Feb. 27. The case was scheduled to last all week. Monday was spent doing voir dire; it took the entire day to empanel a jury. Opening statements began Tuesday morning. The trial lasted until Thursday. The jury came back with a guilty verdict Thursday evening. The sentencing portion of the trial took most of Friday, and the jury sentenced Steve Roach to death on the afternoon of Friday, March 3, 1995.

It still amazes me that the guilt phase of the trial lasted less than a week. Over a year of trial preparation was reduced to a week of testimony and argument. I cannot help comparing this case of an unknown minor in an unknown rural county of Virginia to what is happening in Los Angeles, California. One day to empanel a jury and about four days to go through over 30 witnesses. Justice is swift in Virginia.

My experience with the capital murder case is one I will not forget. I hope that I never have to defend a capital murder defendant — at least not in the first twenty years of my career.

The strain on Mr. Heilberg and his co-counsel, Peter L. McCloud, and their families was enormous — emotionally, physically, and mentally. I do not know if I could do what they did and keep my sanity. My hat’s off to the attorneys who can.

Lawyer/professor panel discussion bags the Simpson trial

By Stephen King

A panel of lawyers and law professors agreed that the Simpson trial has been unusually long, the attorneys have been unusually misbehaved and the race issue may not be as important as the media has made it out to be.

Sharon Coles-Stewart, a lawyer in private practice from Newport News, Professors Jim Moliterno and John Tucker, joined Professor Paul Marcus in a brown bag lunch discussion of the interminable and obtrusive Simpson trial. A fairly good mix of students and members of the community came out to satisfy their O.J. craving, some showing poorly veiled partisan support in the questions they directed toward the panel members.

Moliterno was wanted to “congratulate the panel and those attending for having the courage to say they are interested in the O.J. trial.”

Marcus began the discussion by asking the panel members what has been most striking about the Simpson trial thus far. Coles-Stewart pointed to the apparently limitless resources being expended on the trial. She characterized the trial as “a caricature of the criminal trial process,” which Simpson’s wealth has exacerbated. The normal murder trial will last one or maybe two days. The longest one that Coles-Stewart has seen in her practice lasted two weeks. The length of the Simpson trial has by contrast been outrageous.

John Tucker claimed he was “dubious of the prosecution strategy.” According to him, the prosecution has spent too much time and effort in anticipating the defense’s case, such as the race issue, or the mishandling of the investigation, and in doing so “giving weight to a red herring.” Moliterno felt that the most striking characteristic of the trial was how hard the system can be on those who have to get involved. Individuals who were victims have had to spend days on the stand before a national television audience. He pointed to Rosa Lopez, who wanted to leave for El Salvador but was detained by the trial.

Tucker doubted that Simpson will be acquitted simply because there are blacks on the jury. “juries, regardless of race, take their jobs very seriously.” Other personal characteristics of jurors are being ignored in all the focus on the racial composition of the jury.

The media has been doing a careful body count of jurors based upon race and gender, making sure that any changes in the racial and gender composition are accounted for when a juror drops out of the trial. Coles-Stewart pointed out that the race issue could cut either way. For example, perception of Simpson’s psychosis as a black man with a white wife could give weight to the prosecution’s case in the eyes of the jury.

Black jurors may also give the benefit of the doubt to the prosecution rather than Simpson in an attempt to avoid the characterization of having made a race-oriented decision, said Coles-Stewart.

Tucker felt it was odd to see lawyers showing so much open personal animosity towards one another. Lawyers need to learn to control anger and emotion to prevent losing a semblance of objectivity, “it should have put a stop to it early,” said Tucker. Additionally, the lawyers have performed poorly on cross-examination. Rather than trying to convince the jurors that a witness is a liar, the cross-examiner would do better to try to convince them that the witness is simply mistaken as to what he or she perceived.

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to carry its supplies to and from M-W on a daily basis. This, combined with the cost of staff, caused Marriott to lose money in its law school services.

Faculty slakes mighty thirst

Would the professor(s) who borrowed four (4) bottles of the American's heart homebrewed ale from the faculty refrigerator at least return the refillable bottles, and perhaps a publishable 1700-word essay on the topic of atonement and the ethical ramifications of the whole sordid affair?
AFRICA from 1

at home but grew while he attended the University of Michigan, where he majored in English but also took many courses in African and African-American Studies.

The summer after his first year at Harvard Law School, Sudarkasa travelled to the Ivory Coast. While learning French, he witnessed a middle class African environment that received little play in the American media. "I saw people doing basically the same things people did back in the States...I saw people living in cities and working nine to five. It's quickly dawning on me that is something different in Africa than what I had seen in the American media left a lot to be desired when compared to the reality. This is of course the case with any country known only through the media, but it is particularly true of Africa where the negative media images are so broad and far ranging.

Consequently, the lack of U.S. business investment on the continent is largely because of negative perceptions which if not outrightly false, unfairly stigmatize the entire continent. "Business people looked at U.S. soldiers being dragged through the streets[ in Somalia] and wondered, 'Who's going to buy my product?,'" remarked Sudarkasa. Many Americans are exposed to only the ailments of a few African countries and attribute those perceptions to the entire continent, maintains Sudarkasa.

Upon finishing law school, Sudarkasa worked for a Miami law firm, all the while wondering how he could connect Africa to his career. "While I was in Miami a

officers to be Christians, a federal court ruled. (U.S. Law Week, March 21; Hue v. Roslyn, DC ENY, No. CV-94-0659, 2/21/95).

Forced Abortion and Sterilization Not Sufficient for Asylum

Chinese couple sought asylum because the wife was forced to abort her third pregnancy and the husband was required to be sterilized is not "persecution on the basis of political opinion" under the Immigration and Nationality Act ruled the United States Circuit Court. (U.S. Law Week, March 21; Chen v. Carroll, CA, No. 94-19649, 3/6/95).

Religious Freedom Act Unconstitutional

Congress encroached on the judiciary, violating separation of powers doctrine, when it passed the FRA in an attempt to force legislatures to present a compelling interest when passing generally applicable laws that incidentally burden religion, a federal court ruled. Other federal courts have held otherwise. (U.S. Law Week, March 21; Flores v. Boerne, DC W Texas, No. SA-94-0421, 1/13/95).

Firing Threat Not Coercion under Fifth

Police officers that had to make the "Hobson's choice between self-incrimination and forfeiture [their] means of livelihood" when they were faced with taking a lie-detector test or losing their jobs in a criminal investigation did not have their privilege against self-incrimination violated held the 4th Circuit. (U.S. Law Week, March 21; Wiley v. Baltimore, CA 4, No. 94-1892, 3/9/95).

Juvenile Court Goes Public

The Georgia legislature has decided to give the public access to juvenile court proceedings in cases of violent crimes and repeat offenders in reaction to the increase of crime by juvenile offenders. (National Law Journal, March 27).

Lawyers Not Needed

Home buyers in New Jersey no longer are required to have a lawyer toclone a real estate deal, said the state Supreme Court. (National Law Journal, March 27).

Sanctions Against Lawyer in Sexual Harassment Case

The lawyer for a maid who claimed that the owner of Arby's and RC Cola sexually harassed her by giving her a gift of panties while she worked for him faces possible sanctions because the defense traced the label on the underwear, proving that the underwear was manufactured after the maid left the millionaire's employ. (The National Law Journal, April 3; Vargas v. Pelto, 94-8041 (SD Fla.)).

Blind Widow

Jill Cole, who has been married 11 times to nine men, was convicted March 17 of torturing and killing her ninth husband. One of Cole's former husbands is a lawyer who helped her avoid prosecution in the shooting death of her third husband. (The National Law Journal, April 3).

Three-Strikes Clogging Courts

Los Angeles County has reported a 31 percent increase in felony trials from the same period last year. The San Diego Superior Court has transferred six of 22 civil judges to criminal trials as defen

dants with one and two felonies are refusing plea bargains to avoid the mandatory 25-to-life sentence. The Rand Corp has estimated that three-strikes could cost California $6.5 billion a year to enforce. (The National Law Journal, April 3).

Double Jeopardy Defense Works in VA

Suspension of a driver's license followed by a trial under criminal charges is double jeopardy because the suspension is punishment, Judge George W. Harris held in dismissing information and then a DUI defendant in Roanoke. (Virginia Lawyers Weekly).

"Do-gooders and Pointy Heads" Lose

A federal judge who called environmentalists "do-gooders and pointy heads" has dismissed the government's suit attempting to clean up DDT dumped in the ocean. The judge called DOJ's arguments "poppycock." (USA Today).

Donna Zahid, founder of a national support group whose children are abducted by ex-spouses, has been arrested for kidnapping her son - she left Virginia without notifying the father. (USA Today).

Red Hearts, Yellow Moons, Green Cievers & Blue Diamonds

Coral, like shapes and sounds, can be trademarked when it closely identifies a brand or product, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously. (Qualitex v. Jacobson, 1995 WL 128239 (March 28)).

Interracial Wipers Worth Millions

Robert Kearns, inventor of intermittent windshield wipers, was awarded $21 million from Chrysler Corp. for his 1963 creation, said the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court also ruled, however, that Kearns cannot stop automakers from using his invention. (USA Today).

By John Crouch

Courts Not Euro-Merged

The Maastricht treaty does not let a Pole, dispossessed by the Nazis, sue Germany through its London embassy in British courts, a London High Court judge ruled. (London Times).

South Africa Freer than U.S.

Police must give back documents seized when they searched Winnie Mandela's house with an invalid warrant, a Johannesburg judge held. Mrs. Mandela is suspected of bribery. (London Times).

Union Members Paid Less

Employers may discriminate against union members, the Lords held. (London Times).

Rebellion Against Brussels

Sark, one of the Channel Islands, is refusing to pass laws of legislation mandated by the European Union under the Maastricht treaty. The island is governed by a parliament of all its substantial landowners. (London Times).

Not Too Late to Jail Red Slayer

A court upheld a jail sentence for a murder committed during the Weimar period. The murderer was the former head of the East German secret police. (London Times).

Wealth is a Defense

An Oldenburg, Germ. court decided not to sentence a habitual offender after he won $1,875,000 in a lottery. It reasoned that not being economically deprived might help him reform. (London Times).

Hunt Ban Illegal

A local government cannot ban hunting on its land, Britain's Court of Appeal ruled. (London Times).

Law as a Frolicking Detour

"English lawyers are so accomplished to regarding their journeys through English law as if it was G.K. Chesterton's rolling English road that they do not always appreciate that if the law was made simpler, their clients' bills would be smaller," said Law Commission chairman Sir Henry Brooke.

Brocke wants reform to "large swaths of trust law," rental and criminal law that are "antique, obscure and impenetrable" because it costs an average of $2,400 an hour to squabble over it, give confusing jury instructions and thumb the result. (London Times).
International Judges Forum Speaker

Judge Aundria Foster (’82) of the Newport News Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court will speak in the Moot Courtroom on Wednesday, April 5 at 4 p.m. The topic will be “The Role of the Juvenile Judge in Protecting Children and Promoting Healthy Families.” An informal reception will follow in the lobby.

Learn About PAC 2020 at Fundraiser

PAC 2020, a nonpartisan student-run political action committee devoted to reforming Social Security without delay, will hold a two band fundraiser Wednesday, April 5 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight in the Cafe at the University Center.

The event is co-sponsored by the Republican Law Students, M-W Democrats, College Republicans and the College Young Democrats. It will feature local band “Kama Sutra” and a guest band. Admission is $3. Beer will be served.

PAC 2020 favors raising the retirement age and making Social security participation partially voluntary. The group estimates that the system will be bankrupt by 2020 if nothing is done. It was started by law students at Catholic University.

Free Ice Cream

Ben & Jerry’s is GIVING AWAY ice cream on Friday, April 7 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

New Leaders for Bill of Rights Journal

The William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal is pleased to announce that the following students have been selected to serve on the 1995-96 Editorial Board: Editor-in-Chief, Marc Langlois; Managing Editor, Jeff Lamontagne; Executive Editor, Tim Kennedy; Article Editors, Courtney Collins, Leah Kahl, Alison Tuley, Rod Ingram, Jill Ryan, Emily Williams; Student Note Editor, Jim Cady; Research Editor, Nick Roegner; Symposium Editor, Jared Carlson.

Congratulations!

New Board for Law Students Involved in the Community

The new members of the Executive Committee of the 1995-96 Board of Directors for Law Students Involved in the Community: Co-Chairs, Chris Johnson, Thea Hurt; Treasurer, Leah Kahl; Secretary, Tim Hughes; Special Events Coordinator, David Young.

Congratulations!

Writers’ Festival Features Plimpton, Others

George Plimpton, novelist Jayne Anne Phillips and poet Henry Taylor will participate in the Patrick Hayes Writers’ Festival this weekend. Taylor and Phillips will read from their works at 8 p.m. Friday, April 7, in Tidewater Room, A in the University Center. Plimpton gives a “Discourse” at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 8 in Andrews Lecture Hall Room 101.

Last Day to Rectify Exam Conflict

Today, Monday, April 3 is the last day to hand in Exam Conflict Forms to Liz Atkinson.

No exceptions!

Build Research Skills

The library is sponsoring a summer associates program scheduled for Wednesday, April 12 from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 120.

Guest speakers The Honorable James R. Bradberry, Magistrate Judge, Eastern District of Virginia; Patrick Peritt, Diamondstein & Saley; and Frosty Owen, Hunton & Williams, will discuss research expectations of judges and law firm partners and the use of information technology in a large firm setting. Public service librarians will discuss research skills expected of new associates, and research sources associates should recognize. The information and tips provided should make the summer associate experience more beneficial.

New Public Service Board Members

The Public Service Fund would like to welcome its new board members selected from the IL class: Mike Grable, Susan Ludl, Sue McCue, Ethan Smith, Jan Starkweather and Cristin Zeisler.

Congratulations!

New Transcript Policy

Beginning July 1, 1995, a $5 fee will be charged for each official transcript ordered. Payment may be made by cash or check when ordering in person. Such payments should be made directly to the Cashiers at the Bursar’s Office.

Orders sent by mail must include payment in the form of a check or money order. Please do not send cash in the mail. Credit cards are not accepted.

There will be no charge for unofficial academic summaries which are similar to the grade report. A grade report usually contains additional information such as semester by semester grade point average, running grade point average, etc.

An official transcript from the College is printed on green and white paper and bears the raised Seal of the College and the signature of the University Registrar. Transcripts issued to students will bear the stamp, “Issued to Student.” Transcripts may not be considered “official” unless sent directly from the issuing institution to the receiving institution/agency.

Official transcripts usually are prepared and released within 3-5 working days. At the beginning and at the end of a semester, however, the waiting period for a transcript may be 10-15 days.

Students are reminded that their accounts must be clear of all fines and fees before a transcript will be released.

Faxed requests will not be accepted after July 1, 1995.

Transcripts must be requested in writing and the student’s signature is required. Requests forms are available in Room 108 or outside Room 119, Registrar’s Office, Blow Memorial Hall. Requests may be mailed to P.O. Box 8795, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795.

Administrative Law Review has Selected New Board

The Administrative Law Review is pleased to announce the selection of the 1995-96 Editorial Board: Managing Editor, Frank Lynch; Project Editor, Jason Kelley; Student Articles Editor, Chris Shaw; Issue Editors, Laura Connor, Bruce Harper, Diane Preston. Congratulations!

Green Leafe Mystery Bartender Bone Marrow Drive

On Thursday, April 13, the Green Leafe is featuring “Deli Night” with a mystery guest bartender from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Twenty percent of proceeds will fund a blood sampling and database of potential bone marrow donors. They take two vials of your blood and keep it until they find a matching donee. The sampling will be held on Wednesday, April 19 in Trinkle Hall, Campus from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Blood sampling costs $45, but a federal matching funds program cuts the cost to $22.50. It’s free for minorities due to their rare marrow.

The W&M student group which organized the fundraiser and drive has performed 2,000 tests and found eight donor matches so far.

ABA from 1 of documents to decipher. The process, McCormack explained, is “a self-study with a little help.” The team of examiners served mainly to get information and impressions. Afterwards, they will compile a report for both organizations which will be sent to Dean Krattemaker, President Sullivan, and the Board of Visitors. Generally, faculty and students do not have access to such a document. McCormack admitted that it was very important to both more members of the law school community would have access to the report. The student feedback began with a great deal of approval for the administration and faculty. Barnes praised the administration for a quick and professional response to an incident of sexual harassment between two students.

Atkinson spoke of the fairly overwhelming support Moot Court has received. Atkinson stated, “Dean Krattemaker and others take the time to look at a problem and follow up very quickly.” Students also commented that they were pleased that the administration has solicited student involvement concerning the direction of the institution.

After some provoking by the examiners, the students discussed their dissatisfaction with M-W. Atkinson stated that the two biggest complaints about the school is that there are not enough clinical practices offered in law schools.

Atkinson stated that the Office of Career Planning and Placement (OCPP) is understaffed.

All the students at the forum concurred. Atkinson assumed OCPP will improve when the new assistant dean arrives. One member of the team stated that the ABA wants more clinical practices offered in law schools. According to the team, if clinical practices are to be done right, there would be a huge drain on faculty time.

Other topics discussed included race relations/admission on campus, the honor system, and the focus of OCPP. Students felt there has been an improvement with respect to race. Yet students agreed that more ground needs to be covered.

One student commented that only one black student has ever made William and Mary Law Review in the school’s history. On the plus side, Duggar stated that during her three years, a week did not pass by when she did not receive a hanging file drop with information of a minority job offering.

Some concern was expressed regarding a universal honor system for the campus. In addition, students complained that OCPP caters mainly to private law firms. The Examiner from University of South Carolina stated that he has encountered that complaint at every institution he has visited.
A recent sex survey states that 93 percent of service members are likely to perform gay acts, which is defined as conduct that violates the military's sodomy law. Of course, the military takes a blind eye to the fact that sodomy laws are applied equally to heterosexuals as well as gay and lesbian individuals who prohibit both oral and anal sex. A recent sex survey states that 91 percent of all sexually active couples engage in such activity. General Colin Powell, a strong advocate of the policy, and now retired, violated the sodomy law just as severely as any gay service member when he goes home and has a foreplay with his wife before going to the missionary position. Let's face it; consensual sexual activity between two adults just does not relate to how someone is going to perform on the job, or in or out of the military. The other explanation for the policy is that the mere presence of known homosexuals in the ranks would be detrimental to morale and unit effectiveness. Of course, the military's own actions demonstrate that the morale argument is false. During the recent Persian Gulf War, the military discreetly suspended all discharges and investigations of perceived gays and sent them to a training area. If gays were such a threat to unit cohesion why would the military ever send a known homosexual to a place where morale and fighting effectiveness was absolutely critical? The answer is obvious. When the chips were down the military had to abandon its own propaganda. Of course after the war was over, the military turned around and resumed discharging the same people who had just served and fought for their country.

Nice way to treat a veteran, huh? Another example that discredits the military's morale argument is the recent trial in Washington State involving Colonel Margaret Cammermeyer. She is an Army nurse who was awarded the Bronze Star for her service in Vietnam and challenged the military's gay ban under the old policy. Her commander stated under oath that it was the Army's attempt to discharge Colonel Cammermeyer that was disrupting his hospital, not the Colonel's sexual orientation. He also stated that he was proud to serve with her and hoped he could do so in the future. The Judge agreed and reinstated her.

The military is also ignoring the fact that close NATO allies such as Canada, Denmark, and the Netherlands have dropped their gay bans without any appreciable change in discipline. Gays now serve in U.S. fire departments, police departments, and the F.B.I. with no known change in unit morale. The military could change if it wanted to. Although there is as much homophobia in the military as there is in the rest of the country, the military has successfully reformed from its past bigoted behavior. Before Truman integrated the military in the 1950's, the military was filled with southern whites who hated African-Americans. Today the military receives awards from the NAACP for being one of the few employers in the country that has promoted minorities and removed its glass ceilings. The military did this by hitting base could be discharged by the military. A soldier would have to think twice about his or her sexual orientation as part of a security clearance interview. The wrong answer is usually grounds for revocation of a clearance. Since most service members can't perform their jobs without a clearance, thatbecomes grounds for a discharge. Strangely enough the Defense Department's own directives state that the supposed security threat presented by gays and lesbians may be mitigated by the service member coming out to his or her family, friends, and co-workers. This is the exact kind of action that leads to a discharge under the policy. I say "supposed security risk" because the Rand Corporation recently reviewed every espionage case since World War II. Of 124 cases, the Rand Corporation could not find any individual who sold out his country due to blackmail regarding sexual orientation. Incidentally, the study shows that the vast majority of traitors don't do it for politics either, but greed.

Service members are also "telling" when they have no intention to tell any one about their sexual orientation. The "don't ask, don't tell" policy has so greatly expanded the definition of homosexuality to the point of absurdity. This definition states that any act or statement of a service member reasonably interpreted by a third party as statement that the individual is homosexual is grounds for a discharge. In other words, a service member who is seen by a stranger coming out of a certain bar while he is off duty and a thousand miles away from his wife and a thousand miles away from her family and a thousand miles away from her a threat to unit cohesion why would the military even send a known homosexual to a place where morale and fighting effectiveness was absolutely critical? The answer is obvious. When the chips were down the military had to abandon its own propaganda. Of course after the war was over, the military turned around and resumed discharging the same people who had just served and fought for their country.

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**Andrea Jaeger, Hardys, Sullivan open new Tennis Center**

By Mike Grable

M-W has a new neighbor that will be a boon to tennis-playing law students but may be a major headache for student parking. The McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center was dedicated and opened this past weekend with speeches, tennis exhibitions, and World Team Tennis matches featuring senior pros such as Andrea Jaeger, Roscoe Tanner, and Ros Fairbanks. The Center is named for the husband and wife team of Mark McCormack, W&M Class of 1951 and Yale Law grad, and Betsy Nagelsen, tennis tour pro and commentator for various networks. The benefactors endowed a scholarship for the W&M men's tennis team and bought nine chairs in the Center, one for each of the coaches Nagelsen has worked with during her professional career.

One of the driving forces behind construction of the Center, according to Sullivan, was the belief that W&M was losing top.

Mark McCormack and wife Betty Nagelsen dedicated the McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center with the Gladgrass and M-W and the Marriott Food Court, stolen from M-W in the middle of the night two weeks ago.

In his remarks during the dedication ceremony, W&M President Tim Sullivan stated his belief that the Center's opening "will mark a new era in the history of William and Mary athletics. William and Mary is destined to become the finest small public university in the United States, and this includes competing at the highest caliber of intercollegiate sports."

In addition to providing substantial support for the building of the Center, McCormack and Nagelsen also endowed a scholarship for the W&M men's tennis team and bought nine chairs in the Center, one for each of the coaches Nagelsen has worked with during her professional career.

With very reasonable student rates set at $6 per hour, the Center should be very popular with law students. For those of you still wondering why the law school newspaper is covering this opening, there is one other major connection:

Monday, April 3, 1995 The AMicus CURiae racism head on. It held classes on racial sensitivity and actively targeted acts of racism. It's too bad the rest of the country doesn't do the same thing. Or even this law school. One may ask why anyone should care about gays in the military. I think that all people, even people who believe that gays and lesbians are immoral, should stick up for fair treatment of gays.

I recently visited the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. The government of Nazi Germany started out by restricting the rights of only politically unpopular group known as the Jews. Of course the Nazis didn't stop there. They quickly restricted the rights of Gypsies, gays, Blacks (the children of French colonial African soldiers who had children with German women during the post-W.W.I. occupation were forcibly sterilized), union leaders, Socialists, Communists, Seventh Day Adventists, the mentally retarded, political opponents, and military prisoners (Russians, Poles, Serbs, etc.). The Holocaust was truly an equal opportunity Holocaust. Before the German people knew it, their freedoms and many of their lives, disappeared in a wisp of smoke. Like it or not, once any group of people loses a particular right it becomes much easier to do it to someone else the next time.

You don't think it could happen here? Don't be so sure. Ask the Japanese who were interned during World War II, the Native Americans, or Americans who had the lives arbitrarily destroyed by two alcoholics during the Roy Coln, Senator McCarthy hearings of the 1950s.

Don't get me wrong. I love this country and I am proud to be an American, but not even the good old U.S. of A. has learned how to protect its citizens from the darker, destructive side of human nature.

Valerie Hardy, Professor of Art and wife of M-W Torts Professor Tretter Hardy, has been commissioned to complete a painting of the Center, McCormack and Nagelsen that will be displayed in the Center's foyer when it is finished.
By Bob the Private Dick

As a Private Dick, I've often been called on to investigate the sordid underbelly of life here at M-W. From the frightened menagerie of farm animals, frantically trying to nibble their way out of Prof. Devon's office - some benefit of patronizing the College of Humans. aka 3L, Mac Daddy, pouncing out the young ladies he purchased at the PSF Auction, in a desperate effort to finance his education on the backs of their supple flesh. I thought I'd seen it all. That was until I got a whiff of the moral putrescence walking out of the Law Review Office, or should I say, "Nefarious Temple to All That Is Unholy."

Rumors had gone round for a while, like a pestilent sore that won't go away, that things weren't kosher with the egg- head crowd. My investigations proved that in fact there is a full-blown cult of nefarious orthodoxy masquerading as an institution of academic ill-repute.

My first big clue came from a contact deep in the organization of the cult who, for the sake of discretion, said I could not speak his true name. I'll call him "Pinky," but he has many names. Pinky told me to meet him in the shadows of the courtroom 21 around midnight. By that time Prof. Lederer has finished his prurient ritual head in the floor of the courtroom, naked, screaming "MINE, MINE, ALL MINE!"

But that is not why John Donaldson yearns for Death. Donaldson yearns for Death. He has no present interests outside the Buddhist monastery. Few students know that Donaldson blossomed rather suddenly as a legal educator only six years ago, after he trekked to Nepal with Profressor John Levy to receive training in Advanced Chanting at a Buddhist monastery.

"The monks were delighted with John's cultured patois of Old High Virginian and Law French," Levy reminisced.

Donaldson added that his college summer jobs as an auctioneer, singing street vendor and camp-meeting preacher also stood him in good stead. "Using my native capabilities and the techniques inculcated by Professor Levy's co-religionists, I try to mold the wording of my lectures into a chant that lulls the unsuspecting students into a trance that repli- cates a near-Death experience," he explained. "I think this helps them to understand the pros and cons of Death first-hand."

Then, when they have achieved the mental state of a Typical Testator, I suddenly SHOUT loud enough to wake the Dead," Donaldson cried, leaping around like a hot-footed sinner on the Day of Jubilo. But John Donaldson does not spend all his time proclaiming the mysteries of mortality. In his spare time, Donaldson relaxes by practicing his Deathbed oration and adding codicils to his will. Donaldson's will is a strong will, inscribed upon sturdy asbestos parchment and executed holographically in ineffable cadmium ink in his own fine chancery hand. "Inconsiderate options, needless to say, are hereby foreclosed, and anyone who attempts to fold, spindle, mutilate, efface or pulverize the instrument will only inherit a lawsuit and a nasty case of lung cancer!" he chortled in his joy.

The will is Donaldson's masterpiece. It is so complex that, when probated, it will paralyze and revolutionize the inheritance systems of the entire Western world and every nation of the Commonwealth. "They'll never know what hit 'em," he enthused. "It will tie up every probate court and tax court in the world until such time as the nations of the earth join hands in peace and harmony and enact the Donaldson Unified System, which will entirely replace everything that has gone before in the realms of property, inheritance and taxation."

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**Ask Mister Anonymous**

Dear, dear Mr. Anonymous,

Whatever unprecedently hilarious observation, concerning the general state of things in the legal profession, the social life of the 1L class, and the lot of man amidst this vale of sorrows, suddenly came over you in a blinding epiphany last Wednesday afternoon?

Confused,

Gosh, you sure know how to try and make it look like all I do is write letters to my own column. You should be working for Rush Limbaugh. But this time you outsmarted yourself by asking a question whereof ye knew not the answer.

In point of fact, as the semester winds down my thoughts no longer turn to jocular matters as often as they once did. More and more, I reflect sentimentally on the grownups who have helped make law school a hospitable venue for me and have thereby made me what I am today. Among these, the foremost is Prof. Susan Grover.

Yes, I know we have recently had our misunderstandings. But nothing can change the fact that it was she, and she alone, who made my first year bearable in her Civil Procedure class she brought me out of my shell and encouraged me to speak my mind, and to let the class move at my own pace. I never used to think of myself as a "Smart Guy" until Professor Grover's tender ministrations imbued me with much-needed self-esteem.

Today's 3Ls have no doubt outsmarted yoursealf by asking questions such as: "What unprecenentedly hilarious observation, concerning the general state of things in the legal profession, the social life of the 1L class, and the lot of man amidst this vale of sorrows, suddenly came over you in a blinding epiphany last Wednesday afternoon?"

To which I would respond:

_What the hell happened to your courtroom? I write to you, like a prophet come to think of it, I should have known. Lederer, in his polyeter suits, did appear trapped in the '70s—why, he sort of reminds me of "Big John." But I didn't think about it, because when I saw him at the opening of my courtroom, back when it was still named after me, he was skulking around in the shadows, obviously trying to avoid eye contact while he plotted his evil plans._

_What he doesn't realize is how long and hard I worked for that courtroom. Granted, I offered to fund one first for Yale, but those self-righteous, pinko, commysaps said it would violate their academic independence to name the courtroom after me and to have to take my daughter. But I had to get her out of the house. All those homy gold diggers named "Chip," "Biff," and "Guido" coming by all the time, and good ol' M-W had no qualms with taking my money, daughter, and naming the courtroom after me._

_So what do I do? I stop buying pumps and filters for my coal mines and give the money to M-W. Do we have any more cases of black lung and drowned coal miners, when I can have eternity? But nooo! Lederer, deluded by power like a latter-day Austrian corporal, decides to turn my courtroom into his own private Sudetenland._

_I write to you, like a prophet from the old testament, to tell you, my courtroom today, tomorrow... the world. Nothing but a black leather-encased Maplletonor wannahaves shimming around the temple to my succubus courtroom._

_What do you have to say about it? What am I supposed to do? I'm not saying I didn't make mistakes; I just think it's time for a change._

—Anonymous

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**Out Of Our Butts**

Certain so-called consumer advocates have pointed the finger at Amicus Curiae brand lawnmowers. I'm the first to admit that few customers would deliberately buy a lawnmower that bursts into flames 90 seconds after starting it. But we've done everything we could to put things right—made repairs where practical, granted nearly full refunds, and stopped buying mowers through Mr. Ngurda, our purchasing agent in... well, I believe Mr. Ngurda had multi-national sources. These days, however, we buy only through famous-name suppliers. Now, I don't know what the power-mower policy over at the Law Review is, but here at the Amicus we make this pledge: when a mower ignites, our logo comes right off.

Given this commitment to excellence, surely we're the last people you would expect to "cause permanent, disfiguring injuries through overweening greed and a total indifference to safety," as one World Court judge phrased it. Naturally, we regret any loss of life associated with our Amicus Curiae Structural Steel, but is this particular catastrophe really the fault of our unique bessemer process? Might it not be blamed on what strikes me as a whimsical design for a railroad bridge, particularly for tropical regions? Couldn't it be attributed to the slap-dash methods of the native work crew? Surely justice demands that we wait for the report of the investigating engineer after he's examined all the evidence (and by all, I include certain lurid magazines near the quarters of Mr. Ngurda, the foreman and a character of dubious ethics, with whom we no longer have any dealings).

That is, if we can expect such mishaps as dusk process in a part of the world so riven by tribal rivalries and religious mania.

Despite these mishaps, I hope our efforts are not unappreciated. Our job is to produce a quality newspaper; we didn't have to operate a Caribbean-chartered bank. I concede that the precipitous collapse of Banco de Noche Tarde caught many of our small investors by surprise. But the millions our money's gone and all the congressional hearings in the world won't bring it back.

I wish I could meet with each of you in person, but sadly, the other staffers and I are kept occupied here in Costa Rica. As you can imagine, going in our stories is quite tedious. But rest assured, when our lawyers give us the OK to return, we'll be back, bringing you more of the quality news and information you've come to expect from us here at the Amicus Curiae.

—Anonymous

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**Professor Neal Devins Hair Club**

Before

After
Beach Week or Law Review: The confused student’s guide to a good time

By Leopold N. Loeb

The week following the end of exams in the Spring, for some, is a time to roast weenies, share in community, and entertain the pipedream, however faint, of the possibility of sex. For others, however, that week is marked by the greatest terror known to man next to getting trapped in a conversation with Dan Barnes or Tim Singhel: The Write-On. First year students who elect to subject themselves to this character-destroying process do so because they desire the allure and unceasing offers of employment that allegedly comes with being a Law Review staffer. The Write-On, however, takes its toll on the unwitting: they go in normal, and come out looking like William Hurt at the end of Altered States.

That there should be a portion of first years torn between Heaven and Hell is inevitable. Driven by both their need to get a job at some point in life and their need to unwind and shake that ass the good Lord gave ’em, they wonder whether they should go for the write-on, or just say screw it and go party at the beach. We want to help.

Here, then, is a profile of staffers and beachers. Read it and ask yourself which category you fit into, and decide whether you’re the right person for Law Review.

Automobile
Staffer--1994 Honda Civic
Beacher--Rusty Nova parked on lawn.

Favorite Hobby
Staffer--Tennis and sailing.
Beacher--Shooting at stop signs with a pellet gun.

Exercise
Staffer--Stairmaster and running.

Beacher--None, really, except for the occasional Perp Walk.

Summer Employment
Staffer--Summer Associate at a large corporate law firm.
Beacher--No job as such, but sold two Pearl Jam tickets for $150

Attitude Toward Movies in Which Human Heads Are Routinely Severed
Staffer--Repulsed by them.
Beacher--Seeks them out.

Residence
Staffer--Three bedroom apartment at Steeplechase
Beacher--Allowed to use the equipment shed at the driving range.

Attitude Toward Story That A Licensed Physician Would Numb a Patient’s Broken Leg So She Could Dance On It
Staffer--Doesn’t buy it.
Beacher--Doesn’t buy it.

Last Book Read
Staffer--Caleb Carr, The Alienist
Beacher--The Haunted House, a Choose-Your-Own-Adventure story.

Items on Nightstand
Staffer--A glass of water and meditation balls.
Beacher--A shot of bourbon and Ben Wa balls.

Favorite Movie Line
Staffer--“Life’s like a box of chocolates,” from Forrest Gump
Beacher--“Get the Butter!” from Last Tango in Paris

Political Affiliation
Staffer--Last voted Republican ticket in the 1994 mid-term elections.

Last Major Purchase
Staffer--Sony 5 Disc CD Player with remote.
Beacher--Two 10-pound bags of ice.

Most Recent Date
Staffer--Quiet dinner with girlfriend, followed by a blissful walk through CW
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“Ken knows the answer” — Prof. Alemante Selassie
Kaplan Named Clinton Appointee

Citing his unmatched employment record at M-W, President Clinton today appointed OCPP Dean Robert Kaplan to head the job placement division of the National Welfare Reform Program.

"I may not help them find jobs right away, but six months out I guarantee 90 percent employment," commented Kaplan. Krattenmaker, although sad to see him go, felt the new position would make better use of the Dean.

Ken Hickox (3L) Announces Soon to Undergo Sex Change

Ken, renown for his Hemingwayesque beard and barrel chest, announced he plans to remove certain offending appendages. Rumors had been circulating when Ken was seen in public sans facial hair, looking especially smooth faced. Ken later confirmed the rumors, stating his among his reasons: a desire to express his true self, a deep admiration for the work of Catharine MacKinnon, and the realization that law firms are aggressively recruiting women lawyers.

With Arrival of Prof. Frisch, Ponytails Now Required For All Male Professors

Keeping with the Colonial motif of the Williamsburg area, Prof. Frisch has begun to lead the way in required coifs for the male professors of M-W. Dean Krattenmaker indicated that certain pressure was being exerted by the all-powerful folks from Colonial Williamsburg to further enhance the illusion of 18th century authenticity. Krattenmaker tried to rationalize that if a ponytail was good enough for our founders, we might as well go along. He commented that hair extensions will be provided, "but Davie may be more problematic than most."

AMA Cites 3L Jon Nixon as New Medical Phenomenon

In a medical journal published last week, the American Medical Association (AMA) released study results of 3L Jon Nixon indicating his brain has swollen to six times its normal size and taken on supernatural qualities as a result of a recent illness. Nixon's brain size has made the miraculous courtroom 21 obsolete. His supernatural powers have made his research skills quicker than both Lexis and Westlaw. He eats the Tax Code for breakfast and intuitively generates the accompanying regulations. Upon returning to M-W in the fall, Nixon will not be required to take any classes towards his degree. Instead, Lederer will be promoting him as "3L 21."

More Disciplinary Action Against 2Ls

Unnamed sources inside the law school administration have confirmed that an investigation is underway into possible disciplinary action against 2Ls Matt Klepper, Doug Oxley, and Ali Sharifhammad for excessive whining.

The trio are frequently heard through the building whining about the inequities of the law school existence. They have yet to realize that they cannot always get their own way.

BLSA Announces OJ Fundraiser

Black Law Student Association President Carla Archie announced plans for an OJ Simpson defense fundraiser to be held in the lobby on Friday. The items on sale will include partially melted Ben & Jerry's Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough Ice Cream, "Free OJ." T-shirts hand silk-screened by Archie, leather gloves, and a special auction - for women only - for the privilege of riding in the back seat of Parliamentarian Andrew "Chip" Richardson's new Mustang.

Plans for a "Welcome To Williamsburg, Mike Tyson" party are still in the works.

U.S. News Revises Rankings -- M-W Number One!

In a stunning correction, U.S. News and World Report revised its rankings of law schools this week, placing M-W in the number one position.

"Somehow, a computer programmer forgot to include the scores for pancake house proximity and 'whinness' in the overall rankings. When we threw in those two factors, M-W floated to the top," explained a sheepish U.S. News editor.

"The pancakes are on me!" gushed Dean Thomas Krattenmaker. He said a Nick's Pewter Palace Memorial Scholarship is being established to honor the feat.

Federalists Forced to Secede

The M-W Federalists Society has been expelled from the national Federalists Society because of disagreements between the local and the national organization which came to a head when its factions of Upward Redistributionists and Constitutionists were unable to reach agreement on the antitrust exemption for baseball.

M-W Society President Jonathan Koenig described the conflict as a classic Jeffersonian-Madisonian, post-Revolutionary revisionists' dilemma, with a dash of Hamiltonian dialecticism thrown in.

"Love it or leave it," Koenig said.

Win a Date with Kato Kaelin

Women & the Law announced a fundraiser to win a date with Kato Kaelin. Editor Jane King proclaimed, "It's such a hunk. He'd make any woman feel complete. And his intellect is vastly underrated -- We will be running an article he wrote in the next issue."

For $5, males and females are welcome to buy a ticket. The date will include dinner at McDonald's in a white Bronco. All proceeds will go to fund the "Women and Hair Symposium" sponsored by the journal.

Law Review Carrel Feud Escalates, Brings in FBI

A federal investigation concerning a potential death threat began this week after FBI authorities discovered a brief written by one "R. Taylor" left at the security booth at Camp Perry, an alleged CIA training ground. According to Special Agent John Smith, the brief contained "a very frightening threat of violence indicating that we were dealing with someone who could be criminally insane."

When asked about the threat contained in the brief he inadvertently left at the gate, Ramsey Taylor had this comment: "When Ali got pissed off because I called him on having too many goddamn carrels, he went nuts and screamed, 'I'm going to fucking kill you, and you can put that in your . . ."

"In the beginning was the little reading light . . . and the light was good."

However, that was crushed by sycophants like Steve Chin (2L), who exhorts his fellow es­bates to consult the Blue Book of Cabal, Chin, who ensures that they all have their little reading lights to illuminate their indi­vidual shrines, seeks to inspire by quoting from the Gospel of John. "In the beginning was the little reading light . . . and the light was good."

Realizing the huge expense of maintaining the Cult and its cover, the Law Review, the Cult members sought to increase funding through additional sources. One plan was to publish Prof. Smolla's play in an effort to create their own "Play," hopefully to rival the spiritual fervor and profitability of Ober Omegon; however, the play did not inspire much passion and ultimately tore at the shroud of academic pretense behind which the Cult hid. In a desperate effort to increase circulation, the Review had its faithful spread the word by handing out many copies of its publications, by going door to door and pawing them off with extra copies of The Watchtower.

Needless to say, now that they have been exposed, they'll be scrambling to the dark shadows, like startled rakes h chasing on rancid leftovers; caught in the unexpected glare of a quickly turned-on kitchen light. Sure, there will be efforts at a cover-up: "We can neither confirm or deny," "Mistakes were made," "We're the [Expletive Deleto] Law Review, we have Executive Privilege."

But this May, when a young crop of 1L novates seek to write­ in an act of intellectual ton­sure, there will be much rending of flesh and reveling in carnal indecency, the like of which would make even the Borgias blush.
Compiled From Various Sources

The M-W community is reeling from the shock of recent revelations concerning Joseph Andrew Woitko (3L). All the cool people at M-W knew ol' Joe—so they thought. With the help of his trusty sidekick Ted Atkinson (3L), Woitko pulled such a snow job that nobody found his stories the least bit fishy.

As implausible as it sounds, everyone actually believed that Woitko made the 12-hour round-trip drive to the terminally ethnic village of "Hazleton, Pa." nearly every weekend to be with his tight-knit family and hoodlum friends.

Hundreds believed that the middle-aged-looking Woitko was a 22-year-old boy who raced through the world trouble spots.

Irene Woitko, is usually on duty in far-off world trouble spots. "Aunt Irene is a real [Capt. Janeway type]," said Woitko's nephew Ted Atkinson (3L). "I thought Uncle Joe needed a change of scenery, so when I realized my lifelong dream of attending M-W, I suggested that he apply, too. Since the family had given so much money to dear old M-W, his admission was a snap."

At first, Woitko was nervous about attending school with so many young people. Atkinson, however, provided unflagging assistance. He tutored his uncle in how to talk like a Generation Xer and how to dress like a college student, and lent him a typical "Joe College" wardrobe so he would fit right in. In order to keep up appearances, the two rarely associated in public.

"The most valuable thing Ted taught me was how to be young at heart," Woitko reminisced. "The dear little scamp showed me how to make paper airplanes to liven up Prof. Grover's Civil Procedure. Hell, I never knew how to do that, even though I designed airplanes for a living!"

So why did the dutiful nephew suddenly unmask the impostor after so many years? "I was bored," Atkinson explained. "Nothing much was going on around here. Williamsburg was growing mundane, so I figured I'd spill the beans."

"Besides, Joe was starting to attract too much attention to himself at the same time that I was especially cultivating my low profile. I didn't even enter the wet T-shirt contest or show up for the enhanced sumo wrestling, and meanwhile all I was hearing was 'Joe Joe' on every tongue, Joe this and Joe that. So I was like, hey, no more Mr. Nice Guy. I can't keep being the door-mat for his overweening patriarchal empire-building. I mean, what about my needs?"

The M-W Judicial Council scrambled to salvage scraps of its dignity in light of Atkinson's stunning testimony, but finally decided not to take official action. Council spokesman Jonathan McGrady (3L) explained, "This isn't academic-related fraud, it's not cheating. Now, we would have, you know, taken some action on this? But frankly, the last time we got into something like this, with people telling fibs outside of their coursework, well, the administration reversed us, and we ended up completely unappreciated. If the administration isn't going to respect our decision, we really didn't think we should even get involved in this."

Or as Council Chairman Matt Bissontone (3L) put it, speaking off the record, "We just figured Liz Jackson would fix that boy, and fix him good."

The Love Boat docks on the shores of Williamsburg

By Our Celebrity Sharpshooter

A "Love Boat" reunion is currently being filmed in Williamsburg, bringing your favorite celebrities together again for hilarious adventures and wacky love relationships. Join the Love Boat as it sails up the James River, with your crew: Captain Stubing (Professor Devins), Gopher (Mike Grable), Isaac the Bartender (Brian Knight), Doc (Rich Ottinger), Vicki (Lezelle Dugger) and Julie, your cruise director (Brooks Patton). Guest appearances will be made by the following stars:

From "CHiPs": Ponch (Manesh Rath), Jon (Tim Vanderver), Bonnie (Heidi Hupp), and the Sarge (Kevin Minzer), from "Get Smart": Maxwell Smart (Edward Eckman), Agent 99 (Caroline Bouwel), and the Chief (Dean Krattenmaker). Appearance will also be made by Tori Spelling (Serenia Spencer), Puck (Scott Boak), Madonna (Brenda Oliver), Newt Gingrich (Peter Owen), Bob Barker (Bob Barker) Charo (Jennifer Tosini), Corey Haim (Lori Kline), Ed Begley, Jr. (Mark Simmons), Crystal Bernard (Leslie Side), Ernie from "My Three Sons" (Steve Chin), Elvira (Laura Sheesley), Abe Lincoln (Edward Smith), Tonya Harding (Ruthie Litvin), Hale Berry (Terri Gilmore), Vanna White (Martha McGlothlin), Judd Hirsch (Bill Pincus), Roseanne Arnold (Michelle Bresnick), Charlie Chaplin (Allison Tulley), Jo from "Facts of Life" (Mary Beth Dingley), Nicole Kidman (Samantha Ludi), The Incredible Hulk (John Mayakay), John Holmes (Dan McKinney), Traci Lords (Beverly Rebar), Wolfgang Jack (Ken Hickox), Gomer Pyle (Jonathan McGrady), Forrest Gump (Thomas Grudina), Lenny (Scott Helsel) & Squiggy (David Pinkowitz), Laverne (Lori Petruzelli) & Shirley (Erin Masson), Carmine Raguass (Michael Hollands), Dylan McKay (Chip Richardson), John Belushi (Ken Greenespan), Fotsy (Neil Lewis), Ralph Malph (Andy Ollis), Chachi (Ramsey Taylor), Chris Elliot (Rod Simmons), Howie Mandel (Brett Zverdling), Bruce Springsteen (Walt Benzia), George from "Seinfeld" (Maurn Barnes), Pit (Pat Dyson), Tom Hanks (Brad Wagsht), Liberace (Dwayne Smith), Ren (Tim Singhe), Charles Manson (Chris Leibig's composite photo), Cuisius George (J. Connell), Nietzsche (Brian Goedel), Joey Buttafuoco (Ray Raya), Farrah Fawcett (Barbara Hundley), Doogie Howser (Mark Ross), Tinkerbell (Crystal Roberts), Melissa Etheridge (Elaine Kuchinski), and our favorite Emperor, Julius Caesar (Danny Reed with his new hairdo).

More Clip 'n Save Marshall-Wythe Trading Cards! Collect them all!!

This week: Profs before the ol' rocking chair got them
An open letter to all 1Ls and 2Ls interested in Spring Rush

By Stanley Carter Javerty Woodson Paget, III

I have been asked, as president of the most popular fraternity on M- W's campus, Tau Kappa (T.Kool) to address all of you who are interested in joining our ranks. I realize many of you will never make it past our first cut, and for those seemingly insane weedling out requirements, I apologize.

However, as a selective fraternity, we have to narrow the pool of suitable rushees somehow, and one's inability to drink heavily, our way, and degrade and objectify women will definitely inhibit further participation in our rush.

To those who don't like our rigorous standards, I have but one thing to say: you probably weren't Tau Kappa material to begin with. We look for the candidate with the most diverse background to bring to the fraternity--although some minimums are required.

1. The rushee must be obsessed with hair (or lack thereof). You might be asking yourself, "How does this trait distinguish T.K from all the other fraternities here at M-W like the "Tau Sigma Wenus Beta Chi" (tall skinny white boy club)? The answer is, we still have enough hair to worry about (although I've been told that will soon be an inaccurate statement). Also, we are willing--with the exception of Brother Grocki--to spend more than five dollars (or more than five minutes in a darkroom with blunt scissors) on hair maintenance. We would have much in common with M-W women in this regard if most M-W women could find a brush or comb (let alone find a non-visually impaired hair stylist).

2. The rushee must be able to drink like a law professor during grading period. This not only requires quantity, but diversity in what you drink. (This is the kind of diversity I was talking about earlier--not just beer or vodka, but whiskey and gin, too). This requirement is not waivable or flexible. No drink--no bid!

3. There is also an attitude requirement. Every rushee must share the exact same view on first year women--hate them! While most men here at M-W were earlier--not just beer or vodka, but whiskey and gin, too)--This requirement is not waivable or flexible. No drink--no bid!

4. Along the same lines, every new pledge will have to endure the ultimate test of loyalty--sleep with the dreaded M. Butterfly--the "woman who can't say no.

5. Each rushee must love acoustic music, quarters, warm beer, and beer pong.

6. Each pledge will have to take an oath vowing to ignore and ridicule all non-TK second and third year men except for a privileged few--the complete list will be given to you upon initiation.

7. Each pledge will also have to take a vow of silence to all women who fill the keg, but not "hi." Not only are these señoritas to be banned from kegs, but all cars and homes of brothers as well.

8. All pledges must enjoy swilling their own urine and setting up trips--or at least enjoy watching a brother perform such tricks.

9. Each rushee can expect a rigorous rush schedule; you may be called upon to go out every night of the week, hang out at Brother Friedman's, and support Brother Church in his quest to become Williamsburg's most successful musician since the highly popular Bruce Hornsby.

I have also been asked to address the women of M-W about the rush requirements of the most popular women's sorority--Lambda Mu Epsilon (LAME). LAME's president, Alison Tuley, is currently molting, and was unable to contribute to the letter, but from my observations of our sister sorority, I will offer what I consider to be the prerequisites of LAME membership. I also attempted to contact the rush chairs (or the more politically correct term Mem- ber [sic] of the rush committee) but they couldn't be reached because they were so busy making decorations, designing T-shirts, and preparing "Ho-Tramp" duffels (pouches with condoms, toothbrushes, and cab fare) for bid night; they were also perfecting their own versions of the "Tuley shuffle."

These women's favorite hobbies include baking, ironing, sewing, dusting, and washing--clothes not themselves. The history of the sorority is simple, and they are doing quite well now, although it was very difficult to find ten women in the first year class that actually like each other enough not to stab one another (or any woman) in the back. After putting together a skeletal group of women, they set about the task of determining their slogan--"If you ain't got a man, take anyone who's already got a girlfriend."

After instilling this heartwarming and sisterly slogan into all charter members, these feisty little pistols established what they were looking for in new members; after vice-president Camille Bennett was forced to reject the nearly unanimous call for "only male new members" they established the following new member criteria:

1. All new members must pay absolutely no attention to their hair; if you must even consider your hair, only spend enough time to decide where the worst place to get your hair cut is and set up a standing appointment.

2. All members must wear size two floral shorts, whether or not you wear a size two.

3. All pledges must go on a treasure hunt, find the loose change hidden in the cushions of the lobby Naugahyde chairs, and purchase a cute, but unmistakably outdated, convertible.

4. All new members will take an oath to do anything to find, take, and keep a member of TK as their boyfriend.

5. All pledges will have to go to Key West, enter wet t-shirt contests and bear the family jewels--oh I'm sorry, I just accidentally flipped to the charter of the soon to be the defunct third year sorority whose motto is, "The five of us can buy and sell you and one of us loves mesh body suits." (I think I speak for all of us when I say, "goodbye to psycho garbage."

Mixers aren't fun when the sorority is naked when you get there--especially when there is tattooed flesh.)

6. All pledges will be taken to the makeup counter at Speedy Lube for make-overs. (Allow me to inject more candor here: Tammy Faye Baker applies makeup with more finesse!)

All in all, we are looking forward to a wonderful spring rush for both TK and LAME. While after reading this letter it might seem like we first years are a bunch of shallow, insensitive, clothes conscious, money grubbing sybarites, let me just remind you that we are no worse than the rest of you self-important, back-stabbing, uptight, poorly attired, intellectually deficient, humorless putzes.

Rush starts on Monday--don't show up unless you actually want to have a good time; we are--and will continue to do so.

TRADING CARDS: YOU ALREADY FORGOT THE TRADING CARD TOPIC? HELLO?

Fred Lederer

Is this clean-cut fellow really the future bane of many law students? What horrible, disfiguring event changed mellow Fred into the raging, wild haired techno-nerd plotting sadistic domination from his laboratory (i.e. Courtroom 21)?

Kay Kindred

Remember those innocent days as Gidget? Whoever thought she would leave the sweet sanctuary of never-never law school land to teach law school at M-W? I suppose she left her surfing boyfriend Moondoggie in the litigious dust.

Susan Grover

Looking like the lovable Muppet that bears her name, Professor Grover strikes one as a giddy little schoollass. No doubt? Despite the unkempt hair and the eerie resemblance to Alfred E. Neuman, everyone lonely, anxious man around school will surely make this photo of smiling, tan Susan a keeper.

Jim Heller

Jim Heller today: brooding; lonely; bitter. What explains this photo, then, of a flamboyant dapper James? What caused this smiling lad with the Little Lord Fauntleroy coif to transmogrify into the surly creature he is now? Two words: Library Science.
Tuesday, April 4, 1995

Today in History: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. assassinated in Memphis (1968); Neil Lewis’s experimentation with sex with another person ends (1987)

Movie: “Highbrow Arty Bullshit” (with subtitles), 7:05 p.m. at the Williamsburg Theater

Thought for the Day: “The less things change, the more they remain the same.” -- Proverb

Wednesday, April 5, 1995

Women’s Rugby: Stocky Asexual Undergrad Co-Eds v. Journal of Women and the Law, 1 p.m., Zable stadium

Lecture: OCPP presents a discussion on “Alternatives to Legal Practice” at 12:30 p.m., Room 124. Panelists Jim Pennel, Kyle Short, and Len Spady will explore options for students who have decided, perhaps with the assistance of others, not to pursue a career in the law. Bring your lunch!

Thought for the Day: “If I find out who did it, I’m gonna rip your fuckin’ head off!” -- K. Hickox

Thursday, April 6, 1995

Today in History: In an unusual coincidence, Jonas Salk discovers a vaccine that bears his own name! (1984); 2L Rick Cross banned from Paul’s (1994).

Chili Cook-Off: 3L Sam Stecker defends her title in the annual chili tasting contest against competition favorite Jeff Almeida’s “Things I Found Around the House, In the School’s Refrigerator, and What Not” Chili. Co-sponsored and monitored by the Centers for Disease Control and the James City County Board of Health.

Music: Sergienko Unplugged! 10:30 p.m. at Cracker Barrel.

Friday, April 7, 1995

Today in History: Bewildered Law Review editors at a loss to explain the failure of their elaborately complex staff selection and screening process when it is discovered that a black student somehow made it on the board (1988); 2L Rick Cross banned from Paul’s (1993).

Miscellaneous: At 2:47 p.m. sharp, Rani Russell compiles a list of 13 different and acceptable ways that napkins can be folded for the rehearsal dinner.

Saturday, April 8, 1995

Movies: Triple feature: “Wet Hoop Dreams,” “Pulp Friction” and “Not So Little Women” at the XXX Kitty-Kat Bijou, Newport News at 11:30 p.m. Go with someone you love.

Party Down: With Joe Wolisko as he goes to all the hotels around town and removes the “L” from the “HEATED POOL” signs. Call 221-5555 for more details.

Sunday, April 9, 1995

Today in History: H.M.S. Titanic sinks on its maiden voyage, killing 2,500 (1912); Arlene visits the museum (1972).

Church: Sermon, “Why So Many of Our Young Humorists Are Going To Burn For Eternity in the Flames of Hell.” 11:30 a.m. at St. Bede’s on Richmond Rd.

Thought for the Day: “I think, therefore I am. I think.” -- Prof. R. Rosenberg

Monday, April 10, 1995

Musical: Come join the frenzied helter-skelter and gut-busting laughs of “Tata-LaBianca: The Musical” at PBK Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, 1995

Today in History: Paul Lynde attains a lifetime appointment to the coveted ‘center square’ (1976); Wren Building’s law school court room labeled “Courtroom 20” and stuffed full of state-of-the-art typewriters and awe-inspiring overhead projectors (1893).

Discussion: “Pucker Up and Smooch, Baby: A Realistic Approach to Networking Your Way Into a Job,” presented by OCPP, 1:30 p.m., Room 120.

Naugahyde Roundtable: Come join the roundtable’s panel of legal pseudo-experts as they explore dynamic, cutting-edge issues in the law. This week’s topics: “The Fair Housing Act and the Constitutionality of a Ban on Non-Family Rentals,” and “The ‘Presumed Innocent’ Concept of American Justice and How It Is Tainted By The Fact That O.J. is Clearly Just Guilty as Hell, Part XVII.” 11:20 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 12, 1995

Music: Tom Church plays his usual yadda yadda yadda Boston bullshit songs okay, because I could get women, too, if I chose to, but I don’t, and I wouldn’t need some guitar to get them, either, so fuck him! Paul’s, 9:30 p.m.

Thought for the Day: “Ever since I started law school, I’ve been constantly bitter. Life has no meaning; I wish I was dead.” -- M. Cox

Thursday, April 13, 1995

Today in History: At the age of 13, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart composes “Serenade No. 13 in G Major” while studying in Salzburg (1769); at the age of 13, Ted Atkinson drinks a whole can of “Hershey’s Chocolate Syrup” while watching “Cannibal Holocaust” (1983).

Baseball: W & M. The Chicago White Sox, 2 p.m. behind Zable.

Saturday, April 15, 1995

Circus: Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey Circus returns to Norfolk Scope through April 20. Feel the excitement of 2,000 screaming children and smell the fun of 200 infrequently bathed elephants, monkeys, and tent workers.

Sunday, April 16, 1995

To the Editor:

Honor Code? No way! I want to see one. More letters from our dedicated fans

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I was in a hurry for God's sake! Streamlining is the future, baby, talking about how much I look like everyone, just most of you. and I'm on the cutting edge! when I said it - was a general feeling of optimism in the air. This quickly changed when the players started coming to camp. The problems surfaced the next day, in the Padres training camp, the replacement players beat the real players in an intrasquad game, 9-0. While this result was dismissed as a fluke (It was the Padres, after all; they are hardly a major league team), the situation worsened the next day. Oil Can Boyd, pitching for the replacement White Sox, no-hit the regular White Sox, striking out Frank Thomas all four times he faced him. This result was repeated at all the major league camps. The owners quickly gathered, holding a meeting to decide what to do. At that meeting, the owners voted 27-1, with only Peter Angelos dissenting, to fire all the formerly striking players. This announcement left the union members stunned. However, a couple of players moved quickly to find other jobs. John Kruk has been hired as a model for a chain of Big and Tall Stores. Ken Griffey, Jr. has finally crossed over and officially become a cartoon. He will star in a new Disney animated feature with the Genie from Aladdin. The movie is still untitled but will be a buddy picture involving the rescue of a damsel in distress from her kidnapper, a Beast.

He's back, or is he?

Michael Jordan's comeback ended prematurely today. After scoring 53 points (the highest total in the NBA this year) last night against the Knicks, Jordan said that he was once again the best in the game and now has nothing else to prove. Thus he was retiring again.

In related development, tragedy was narrowly averted today when Commissioner David Stern was talked down off a 19th story ledge.

In an unrelated move (or is it?), the Chicago Bears released wide receiver Curtis Conway, freeing up a spot on the roster.

The Bears deny any contact with Jordan, but said that anytime you have an opportunity to add a great athlete to your team, you must explore that option.

Jordan, who has not played football since the Pee-Wee league, denies any interest in the position, but adds, "What a challenge that would be. Then people would really have to admit that I was the best athlete in the world."

More letters from our dedicated fans

To the Editor:

Will you please ask people to stop talking about how much I look like Shaggy from Scooby Doo?

Sincerely yours,
A concerned Torts professor

To the Editor:

When I said "kill everyone," I didn't mean everyone, just most of you.

Feeling misunderstood,
Jim

To the Editor:

You think I'm going to stop with the Honor Code? No way! I want to see one library, one campus, one classroom, one bathroom, one pen, one pencil, one sheet of paper. Streamlining is the future, baby, and I'm on the cutting edge!

Slightly out-of-touch,
President Sullivan

To the Editor:

I still don't think I did anything wrong - I was in a hurry, for God's sake!

Disillusioned,
Kyle

To the Editor:

I always knew that kid had a screw loose somewhere--how was I to know that it was in his knee?

Reflectively,
Dave's Doctor

To the Editor:

I can't believe I allowed a gay man to introduce me at the Bill of Rights symposium, next time will you please try and make sure the emcee is a heterosexual?

And call me Doctor--I've got a JD.

Feeling Sanctimonious,
(The Reverend) Pat Robertson

To the Editor:

I've heard that someone at your school is wearing his hair in my style. Stop it - just cut it out! This is a special hair style for gifted actors only; not everybody can pull it off.

Concerned,
Keanu Reeves

To the Editor:

I don't care what you dorks think, my Gonzaga students like me.

From somewhere far away (we hope),
Sepulnick

To the Editor:

I'd like to voice my disapproval of the new computer registration system. Now it's not going to be as easy to screw over students I dislike.

Technology, scemology,
Liz Jackson

To the Editor:

I'm going to get that Ted Atkinson "Mr. Smart Guy," S.O.B. if it takes the rest of my life--oh yeah, and remember that Uzi I showed in law camp? It's real.

Starting to get miffed,
Fred

To the Editor:

The new SBA President is that in name only—within two months I'll be running the whole show.

I want power,
Amy

To the Editor:

Help yourself.
Neil

To the Editor:

I'm over 21. OK? Does everybody get it? I'm not Dougie anymore, alright? God please bring someone who looks younger in next year's class.

Hopefully,
Dougie

To the other editor,

Like, I know I said I was going to do an imaginative reconstruction of Donaldson's will for this issue, but what happened was, I got so realistic and so authentic and just got carried away, and I could tell that I was becoming more and more like Donaldson until finally, I couldn't help myself. I burned it.

Except for the part I need to use for the Law Review.

Like I care,
Erich

Sometimes it's hard to be a woman

THE AMBULANCE CHASER
Monday, April 3, 1995

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Ramsey Taylor

Jim Moliterno rightfully takes pride in his Legal Skills program, especially in the way it puts students in simulations that accurately mirror real life. That realism along with its intrinsic consistency creates a unique environment for students to learn practical lawyering skills. Unfortunately, sometimes the realism goes too far with ramifications that may last a lifetime. For Client E my group represented a client aware of another client's violation of the Export Administration Act. The Act prohibits exports of certain militarily or technologically sensitive equipment without permission from the Commerce Department. The violation here involved shipping nuclear devices to Italy and then to Iran. Per Legal Skills requirements our group wrote a memo analyzing the ramifications of the shipment and potential liability under the Act.

Upon completion of the memo, a group contact manager, was in charge of getting it to our client. As our client lives at Ford's Colony I was told that I should leave the memo at the gatehouse so she could retrieve it when convenient. Mistaking prestigious housing communities, I left the memo at the gatehouse to Kingsmill, then promptly forgot the business. My client called the next day to say she had not received the memo and that I needed to get her a copy. I rushed our client a copy to the memo and failed to retrieve the copy left at Kingsmill.

After a couple of days, the Kingsmill security guards, uncertain of whom the document was for, read it. Not being familiar with Jim Moliterno and his excellent program, they took the memo seriously and assumed the facts were true. The Security guards called the FBI. The FBI retrieved the memo and took it seriously; after all, shipments to Iran and terrorism are much more fun to investigate than mail fraud.

At a.m. on the Friday morning before Spring Break I received a phone call from Special Agent Todd Jones, head of the Regional counterespionage branch of the FBI. Agent Jones explained that he had received a memo saying the Feds wanted to talk to me. Very concerned, not aware of what federal laws I had violated (does the FBI now investigate playing computer games on state computers in the library?), I returned the call immediately. Agent Jones informed me that I wanted to discuss a certain memo I had written which the Bureau was investigating. I tried to explain the nature of Legal Skills and the simulation aspect over the phone but he would not buy my story. For policy reasons he had to interview me in person at the law school to verify the lack of any violation.

Agent Jones came to the law school, where he interviewed me about the memo. I was confident that I would be exonerated since Dean Krattenmaker promised to vouch for my character and a good word from him will clear anybody with the Feds. I showed the Agent the Legal Skills curriculum, let him meet Jonni (Goddess of Legal Skills) Lyman and convinced him that the memo was part of a simulation. I concluded the interview by pointing out that Dan Barnes is head of a notorious criminal conspiracy and should be investigated, which Agent Jones promptly noted. He returned my memo and after critiquing the Bluebook form of several cites left the law school in a dark blue sedan (fact). He did inform me that my name is now in the notorious FBI files where I will keep company with the likes of Dr. King, Kennedy and John Levy. The lesson of this incident for 1Ls who will face Client E next year: put your memos in envelopes when delivering to clients. Being the subject of a federal investigation is not convenient.

What's Going On

Street Law Clinic links M-W and the community

By Doug Steinberg

The street law clinic has been both a tough and a rewarding experience for its law student teachers. The street law clinic, started by Professor Grover and managed by Deb Bentley (1L), is a new program at M-W and represents another bridge between the law school and the local community. The clinic refers to law classes developed for the general public. In this case, two person teams of law students taught at nearby Enterprize Academy.

The Enterprize Academy is a special school developed by the cities of Hampton and Newport News for "at-risk" kids who have been expelled or suspended from regular school. Principal Jackie Diggs said his school had two goals. "First it provides a place for kids to continue school when they have had difficulties in or outside of regular school. Secondly, the school tries to return the kids to regular school with pushed up skills so they can compete with the other kids." The Enterprize Academy has found that there is a 75 percent retention rate for the students they return to regular school. John Maurusi described the school as "a caring environment; I think the kids know that and act accordingly."

Grover is extremely happy with the results of the clinic. She commented that "the law students who ran the program this year have been excellent in both creating a curriculum from scratch and teaching the classes." The purpose behind the program was for both the law and Enterprize students to gain from their time in the classroom. According to Grover, "We're not just giving to the Academy, they're giving a lot back to us."

2L Charles Johnson (C.J.) and 2L Lorrie Sinclair learned a fairly harsh lesson about life on the street from their students. Although the assigned topic for the students was crimes against property such as vandalism, the subject quickly changed to more mundane matters. In response to an awkwardly phrased answer from one of her students, Sinclair asked how many of them thought that they would live to see age nineteen. Approximately half of her students, all between the ages of eleven and thirteen, believed they would not live to see that age. Johnson and Sinclair quickly switched from the assigned topic to one with positive life reinforcement.

Initially most law students found the classes tough to teach. Some law students, such as 3L Brad Wagshul, had informally taught legal topics at local schools. But for the majority of students in the legal clinic was their first time walking into a classroom as a teacher. The law students decided to break the ice with the students by playing a little trick on them. At the beginning of class, lollipops were passed out and the students were permitted to take as many of the candies as they desired. Only after the box had been passed around did the students learn that for each candy they grabbed they would have to tell something about themselves that other people did know. Grover wants to add a full day of ice-breakers with the students for next year.

Jodi Fisher, one of the teachers at the Enterprize Academy, was surprised by his students' reactions to the street law classes. "The students were challenged by the law students. The questions they asked were both intelligent and relevant to the topics."

Another teacher echoed Fisher's sentiments. "The kids are very bright. Given an opportunity, I see a lot of them sitting in the position I am today." When asked whether he thought that most of the students would get such an opportunity, this teacher reluctantly responded, "Unfortunately no."

Diggs is convinced that with further community involvement, his school can give his students that opportunity. "Our mission is to challenge the students as much as possible by relying heavily on technology." 3L Greg James was delighted to discover the teachers were using the popular computer game Sim City 2000 to teach the kids about their semester's theme, city life.

Diggs thinks that he can reach his students by keeping the class numbers down to nine or less. "Believe me, small is better. Essentialy, we try to disorder them to what they are accustomed to and then start over." Grover hopes that next year there are students ready to take on the challenge of making a difference in these kids' lives. Diggs concluded that "the law students contribute to the education. As far as getting the community involved in the Enterprize Academy, we've just begun to open the box."
Crossfire

V-J Day: Are we covering up Japan's crimes, or our own? A time for reflection, not celebrating

Michael Homans

"It kind of shocked me a few months ago to read about the fire-bombings of Dresden: Never before in my education or in the mass media had I read an account questioning the wisdom of such U.S. and British actions in World War II.

Tens of thousands of civilians were needlessly killed, mostly out of revenge for German bombings of England, near the end of the war. It was a ruthless, unnecessary act of brutality, motivated by the passions of battle. No one can be proud of such violence.

Likewise, I was surprised to read earlier this year that the civilian deaths of U.S. conventional bombings of Tokyo totalled more than 100,000. That's in addition to the 200,000-plus civilians killed by the atomic bombs the U.S. dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

It's funny. My school teachers never taught much about those bombings, except to note how advanced the U.S. was in developing nuclear weapons and to rationalize that the bombings were "necessary to expedite the end of the war."

I think the same actions would be explained differently if Japan had bombed innocent civilians in Los Angeles and San Francisco in an effort to "expedite the end of the war." In such a case, we would probably cite longstanding international laws of war, forbidding the killing of civilians.

Regardless of the specifics, massive death and destruction are causes of mourning and soul-searching, not celebration.

"The outcome of World War II calls our attention to so many disasters and tragedies that 'celebrating' doesn't seem to be a word that is well-chosen," commented Russell Weigle, a military historian at Temple University. I agree.

Don't get me wrong. I believe the United States was in the right against both Germany and Japan. And I believe the resulting hegemony after World War II has brought greater global prosperity than any time before. I also believe that those who fought and/or died in the war should be honored and remembered.

What I object to is 50th anniversary celebrations, such as the planned V-J Day celebrations in our editorial calendar, that glorify the victories of the U.S. and its allies. Such celebrations (and U.S. histories of the war) tend to demonize our enemies, Germany and Japan, while always placing the U.S. in the righteous, sinless hero's role.

What's worse, "celebrating" V-J Day also glorifies war. Retired Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, who is organizing a Sept. 2 V-J Day 50th anniversary commemoration in Hawaii, said the event will laud the fact that the U.S. and its allies "built the greatest war machine the world has ever known."

"That's something to celebrate!"

Considering that, worldwide, 53 million people died in World War II, I think grieving is more in order.

Finally, let me add that there is no denying that Japan committed atrocities during World War II, such as the Rape of Nanking (70,000 murdered), the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, and the brutal colonization of Korea, Vietnam, the Philippines and other parts of East Asia.

But instead of triumphantly condemning others -- 50 years after the fact -- let us look inward and focus on our own deeds and misdeeds. Let us contemplate, soberly, what we did right and wrong.

Those who yearn for celebration, I think, are yearning for a glorious yester-year in which the United States was the almighty, unquestioned white knight of the globe, slaying evil dragons, the savior nation that brought democracy, freedom and prosperity to the world.

That myth may have some truth. There are other truths, too, that stain the white knight with innocent blood. Those truths demand that we not "celebrate" a war.

What is the Disciplinary Board?

By Jason Aldrich

The Disciplinary Board is the branch of F-M's Judicial Council that tries cases involving criminal conduct, such as vandalism and sexual harassment. 3L Matt Bissonnette, Judicial Council Chief Justice and Disciplinary Board member, recently met with the American Bar Association to talk about this rarely used and little understood tribunal.

The Board consists of two faculty members, appointed by the Dean, and two students, the SBA President and the Judicial Council Chief Justice. In order for a student to be convicted and sanctioned, at least three of these four members must vote for conviction.

The Board goes to great lengths to protect the identity of the accused. Hearings are closed unless the defendant requests an open hearing.

Henry Jardine

In an act of Orwellian "doublespeak," it has reportedly been proposed that "Victory over Japan Day" no longer be used to describe Aug. 15, 1945, the day of Japan's surrender to the United States, which marked the end of World War II.

With the upcoming commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Japan's surrender, the Clinton Administration has reportedly proposed to avoid the term V-J Day and instead use "Victory in the Pacific" at the official events in Hawaii, so as not to offend the sensibilities of the Japanese. For similar reasons, it has been reported that the Pearl Harbor ceremonies will be scaled back.

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The Cleveland newspaper, The Plain Dealer, noted that in Germany's World War II prison camps one percent of American prisoners died in captivity, while in Japan the extermination of American POWs was proceeding so rapidly that if the war had gone on for another year, they would have all been exterminated. In one of the most shocking examples of hypocritical forgetfulness, The Plain Dealer described how survivors, who had built a railroad in southern Asia during the war, tried to erect a plaque honoring those who had died. The U.S. government fought the remembering, saying that the inscription -- that the plaque was for those who "died of inhumane treatment" -- was insulting to the Japanese.

Sadly, we fail to recognize by condemning the United States for the atrocities of World War II, as opposed to those who started it, is how close we really were to losing the war. At the outset of American involvement, most of the world was under the heel of Fascist dictator­ship: the entire continental Europe, to the outskirts of Moscow; Northern Africa; all of Asia with India threatened; all of the Pacific to the shores of Australia and Hawaii; even in South America there were Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Bolivia and others under the control of fascists.

Truly, World War II was "The Good Fight." However, some, like the Smithsonian, try to characterize the war by stating, "For Americans, this war was fundamentally ... a war of vengeance. For most Japanese it was a war to defend their unique culture against Western imperialism."

If Western imperialism has wrought 50 years of relative peace, flourishing democracies throughout the world including Japan and Germany, and the collapse of Marxist Leninism -- I'll take Western imperialism.
Ask Mr. Smart Guy

Dear Mr. Smart Guy:

I'm a third year law student, and in 6 weeks or so I'll be graduating. The other day, I saw someone that I had never seen before. I asked a friend who it was, and I was told that it was a fellow classmate of mine. How the hell did I go three years and not meet this person? Where do they go after class, and how did they avoid contact with others for so long?

-- Weirded Out

Dear Weirded:

It's true that there are indeed some students that never seem to talk to others, or have somehow blended into the background. These human chameleons have managed to go three years without actually talking to anyone, and it is legitimate for you to feel disconcerted. This is a school where you can't blow your nose or go to the bathroom or leave your duties behind as S.B.A. president for a few days and slip off to Florida to meet up with a guy you hooked up with in Key West for a repeat performance without some clown blabbing the whole thing to the public at large, for goodness sake! It's more incestuous around here than it is in the hollers of West Virginia! Yet, somehow, these Boo Radleys have escaped attention. Some are married, and have no reason to hang around here, and that's okay. Some have real or imagined boyfriends/girlfriends and are somewhat justified in cutting out after class.

We know the fates of the Brennemanns, the Whipples, the Jordans, the Hanleys and the Lannings of our class, but the others—who knows? Why is it that we've been eluded by Beth Weatherly, Bob Barker, or Lori Kerber? Are they nice? Sure they are, but what do we know about them otherwise? How is it that even I can't find anything bad to say about them?

We now know why we haven't seen Jon Nixon's face around here, but where has Scott Drabenstadt slipped off to? Or Michele Walsh? Have they been abducted by flesh-eating slimes? Secreted away by the Colonial Parkway Killer?

Weirded, I know that I've raised more questions than answers. But to some questions, my friend, the answers are elusive. I can tell you no more.

Dear Mr. Smart Pants:

I heard a rumor that the administration's going to add a bust of Fred Lederer to the collection of Wythe, Marshall, and Blackstone busts in the lobby. Is this true?

-- Just Curious

Dear Curious:

No, the rumor isn't true, but there is some talk that a moving, life-size Lederer is going to be stationed outside the former McClintol Moot Courtroom to wave to judges from Latvia and whatever when they come to see the dazzling wonder that is Courtroom 21. Your confusion may stem from the fact that Professor Schaefer's classes are going to be taught next year by the bust of John Marshall.

Dear Mr. Smart Guy:

What the hell happened to Danny Reed's hair?

-- Puzzled

Dear Puzzled:

It is an unusual haircut, reminiscent of old episodes of "I, Claudius," and I'm puzzled by the change as well. In all frankness, I've only seen that hairstyle on gay men, and so I'm not sure why Danny would choose to... oh, yeah. Nevermind. I'm told that his change from his old girlish bouffant (if I can say that) to the new Keanu Reed look is for ease-of-grooming reasons and not because he's gone radical militant or anything. And he's not the only one. Visiting Australian student Mark Beard

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More Clip 'n Save Marshall-Wythe Trading Cards! Collect them all!!

This week: Free agents of Marshall-Wythe
This 2L has some BIG plans. I know! He would use cases that combined material covered in lectures. That everyone will be on an equal footing for future interests, if any, so that everyone will be on an equal footing when taking Trusts and Estates. Professor Ron Rosenberg intends to teach a compressed amount of future interests. Butler hopes to do as well, but she is concerned that if she gets into it at all, she will have to spend a lot of time on it, or else students will feel completely overwhelmed... it's such a weird and complex area.

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Cinema Cynicism

Critic searches his soul for meaning of 1995 harsh reviews

By Stephen Youngkin

Let's see. I could write about a well-acted but empty movie starring Kathy Bates and Jennifer Jason Leigh. I could do a few brief comments about the Academy Awards (and put myself on the list for being 6 for 6–I knew I should have snuck an entry into Professor Marcus' contest). I could also talk about a movie that is the finest definition of "style over substance" or I could take my esteemed colleague Alan Duckworth's suggestion and do my annual tribute to Kim Basinger that attempts to answer the eternal question, "Why is a woman who has all the appeal of a canker sore but with far less charm still appearing in legitimate movies?" It's a slow week at the cinema, so I've decided to tackle the first three and ignore the fourth possibility.

I'll start with the Oscars. Since I did call all of them, there was no element of surprise for me on the winners. My only surprise was that even with David Letterman as host, the show STILL managed to be bad.

Mind you, Letterman made some mistakes that hopefully he'll learn from (the Academy Awards is not the appropriate venue for "Stupid Pet Tricks"). But overall, he did quite well. The main problem was that both of the awards handed out in the first 47 minutes. Near the end, Letterman's quip that they will be handing the trophy for Best Picture "sometime before noon tomorrow" didn't seem like too much of an exaggeration.

The show also managed to start off on a very sour note. First, with a confusing opening production number and then a speech by Academy president Arthur Hiller that was jaw-dropping bad. Overall, while Letterman promises at being a decent awards host, the show proved once again that maybe it's better to read about them in the morning paper.

Next, the movies. I'll begin with the newest of the releases, *Tank Girl*. Actually, it's pretty sad when this was the most promising new film (as much as I like Brian Dennehy—and I think he is a very strong character actor—I would sooner have a barium enema than sit through Chris Farley in *Tommy Boy* and the less said about *Born to Be Wild* the better.

But I bought a ticket to *Tank Girl* in spite of the little voice in my head that was screaming "Don't go, you idiot. This movie will leave you bored and angry that you just saved $4 plus the cost of munchies." Next time, I'm going to have to learn to listen to that little voice.

To be honest, it's too hard to really describe *Tank Girl*. Not because it's complex but because there's really no plot to it. The characters go places and events occur, but the director seems more concerned with style instead of such trivial items as interesting characters or a coherent storyline.

While the movie tries too hard to be bizarre and quickly becomes annoying. In fact, the one sequence that almost worked was a bit in the middle where the cast performs the Cole Porter song "Let's Do It" as a huge production number. This would have been cute, but it just felt so forced and overdone that it was more of a curiosity than a humorous sketch.

Leave your arts aids behind for a trip to the Winery

By Kim Tolhurst and Lori Petruzzelli

This week's tasty journey was perhaps more nourishing to the soul than to the body, as we headed for the vineyards. While one cannot live on wine alone, the lovely beverage of blessed grapes was nonetheless a warm and soothing pleasure on a sunny spring day.

This seemed to be an opportune time to partake of the relaxing joys of wine, if for no other reason than to escape for an afternoon from the stresses of impending exams, the bar, finding a job, paying off student loans—whatever. So, let's forget the fine print—there's no such thing as good wine, only your taste; there's no such thing as bad wine, only yours.

By Scott Layman

Cindy Mizelle delivers solid hit; The Grays need polish

Cindy Mizelle: Cindy Mizelle

A long time back-up singer in the music business, Cindy Mizelle steps up to bat herself on this self-titled debut, and delivers a solid hit. This CD is a relaxing blend of Mizelle's soulful voice and excellent harmonies, all set to standard R&B background music. Each track contains passion and emotion.

Mizelle has enjoyed recent success because of her first single, "I've Had Enough," where a discerning Muzz TERMINATES a relationship. And on "Over You," she sings, "Nothing could have prepared me for such pain and misery. I'm in a constant state of grief 'cause there's no getting over you but you stole my heart and left me with just the memories!" and I find it so hard to believe that you're just a memory.

The remaining songs, however, are more upbeat in their themes. "Because of You," "I Can't Let Go," and "Two Hearts" all celebrate strong relationships and true love.

Mizelle also gets some big-time assistance. Luther Vandross sings back-up vocals on "Love Talk to Me" and "Smile" is a duet with Gerald Levert. Mizelle also does more than just sing; she co-wrote three of the songs.

Mizelle's debut is solid and consistent, a refined collection of sultry ballads that are perfect for a romantic evening. The music is nothing new or special, just ordinary drum programming and keyboards that creates pure R&B. But Mizelle's voice is strong enough to carry this release, making this an enjoyable set.

The Grays: Ro Sham Bo

The Grays have a unique sound, that is often retro, often melodic, but ultimately one that doesn't hold up overall. This is due as much to production as anything else.

The CD gets off to a fine start with "Very Best Years," that musically sounds like the Doobie Brothers. With uplifting and strong vocals the song goes, "Yes there is something you can do my love/ won't you help me through these troubled times/ and serve to remind/ that everything is going to be all right/ despite my fighting bitter tears/ 'cause these are the very best years.

The music style of the Grays is very free-flowing and improvisational. "Everybody's World" and "Friend of Mine" are tracks that combine Beatles-like harmonies (three of the band's four members are very vocal duties) with mellows and fun riffs.

"Same Thing" musically evokes favorable comparisons to Nirvana and Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, as unlikely a combination as that seems.

"Oh Well Maybe" is the best song on *Ro Sham Bo*, even though the catchy guitar riff is very derivative of *The Cult*'s "Wildflower." The song is very upbeat and playful. Yet even this song suffers from some of the improvisations that plague the rest of the CD; in the middle of the song an annoying music box sound bite is inserted.

These extra touches, along with the length of the CD, were ultimately doom *Ro Sham Bo*. Despite some solid tracks, the Grays try to do too much, and the result is an extremely difficult listen all the way through.

What sounded fresh at the beginning of the CD becomes tired and boring by the end. The Grays show some promise, but need to polish and tighten their production.
### Calendar of Events

**Monday, April 3, 1995**
**Why Read Gay Fiction:** Christopher Bram, author, will give us the answer. Botetourt Theater, Swem Library, 7:30 p.m.
**Movie:** “Nobody’s Fool,” Paul Newman trying to reconcile his past and make it with Melanie Griffith, Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 7 p.m.
**PSF Pledge Week:** Pledge a day’s salary to help a law student spend his/her summer working in the public sector. Lasts through April 7.
**NCAA Championship Game:** Did anyone really need me to remind you of this?

**Tuesday, April 4, 1995**
**French Film:** “RED.” Wasn’t this movie nominated for something? Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 7 & 9 p.m.
**Baseball:** vs. Duke, Cary Field, 3 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 5, 1995**
**Lacrosse:** vs. JMU, 3:30 p.m.
**Guest Judge:** Judge Aundria Foster of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, Newport News, will speak on “The Role of the Juvenile Judge in Protecting Healthy Families.” Most Courtroom, 4 p.m.
**RED:** Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 7 & 9 p.m.
**Music:** Two Skinny Js, Flood Zone, Richmond, 8 p.m.

**Thursday, April 6, 1995**
**RED:** Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 7 & 9 p.m.
**PSF Chili Cookoff:** Law School Patio and Lounge, bring your food or bring your appetite for free chili, beer, & salsa, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
**Music:** Everything, The Flood Zone, Richmond, 8 p.m.

**Friday, April 7, 1995**
**Jazz Concert:** W&M Jazz Ensemble performs big band, Commonwealth Auditorium, University Center, 8 p.m.
**Free Ice Cream:** At Ben & Jerry’s, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
**Late Show:** “Natural Born Killers,” Oliver Stone’s killing spree of a movie. Make sure you have a strong stomach. Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 11 p.m.
**Bar Review:** at the Green Leaf. Come meet the prospective class of ‘98.

**Saturday, April 8, 1995**
**Baseball:** vs. East Carolina, Cary Field, 1 p.m.
**5K Run:** 2nd Annual Queens Lake 5K Run at New Quarter Park-Queens Lake. Call 229-7373 for information. Registration, 8 a.m. One-mile fun run, 9 a.m.
**Late Show:** “Natural Born Killers,” Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 11 p.m.
**Music:** The Cult at the Boathouse.

**Sunday, April 9, 1995**
**Movie:** “Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle,” Roger Ebert calls this film “A remarkable movie!” Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 6:45 & 9:15 p.m.
**Music:** Shudder to Think, The Flood Zone, Richmond, 8 p.m.

**Monday, April 10, 1995**
**Thought for the Day:** “In life and death a chainless soul, with courage to endure.” Emily Bronte.

**Tuesday, April 11, 1995**
**Movie:** “Legends of the Fall.” Spend an evening with Brad Pitt. Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 6:45 p.m.
**Music:** Tom Petty, Richmond Coliseum.

**Wednesday, April 12, 1995**
**Movie:** “Legends of the Fall,” Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 6:45 p.m.

**Thursday, April 13, 1995**
**All-Day “Deli Night!” To benefit W&M Bone Marrow Drive, Green Leaf, 11 a.m. - 2 a.m.**
**Music:** Lori Anderson, Chrysler Hall, Norfolk.

**Friday, April 14, 1995**
**Movie:** “Rocky,” UC Cafe, 10 p.m.
**Late Show:** “Marquis,” based on the writings of the Marquis de Sade (i.e. lots of sex). Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 11 p.m.

**Saturday, April 15, 1995**
**Late Show:** “Marquis,” Williamsburg Theatre, DOG Street, 11 p.m.

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**HOMES from 3**

Currently on the Board of Directors as well as serving as Corporate Secretary.

Phipps explained that volunteers were assigned to work groups which were paired with volunteer professional contractors who supervised the work. May 13, the day before Mother’s Day, will mark the groundbreaking ceremony. The group hopes to have the house built by Labor Day. A single mom with two daughters and their grandmother will be living in “Lilly’s Pad.”

Another M-W graduate, Brian Marren (’84), became involved with Habitat when he saw a commercial on TV and called the local branch. As a Board Member and Treasurer, Marren also handles the bulk of Habitat’s legal work on a pro bono basis and oversees other lawyers. He noted that Habitat requires legal volunteers in several areas since it is a “mortgage company, construction company, as well as a fundraising company.”

Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit organization dedicated to building low-income affordable housing. Homeowners are chosen based on the basis of their work history, credit rating, and income status. They also participate in building the house and then make mortgage payments over a fixed period of time. The payments are used to help fund the construction of other homes.

Peninsula Habitat was founded in 1985 and has since built 15 homes throughout the Peninsula. In addition, approximately 10 percent of Peninsula Habitat’s cash donations are used to construct homes in Malawi, Africa. Last May, *Builder* magazine recognized Habitat for Humanity as the 17th largest home builder in the United States.
A Duck Out of Water
If only Don Fehr and the judiciary had never been born!

By Alan Duckworth

Well, it looks like Michael Jordan played himself into shape in less time than it took Duck’s NCAA pool picks to go all to hell. But it has been an exciting week in sports.

The state of Virginia now has a basketball champion. The judiciary attempted to destroy the National Pastime. Mike Tyson is back. And believe it or not, Duck will admit that he was wrong about something.

College Basketball

Congratulations to the Hokies. Virginia Tech won the National Invitational Tournament. Which means they were the best of the Not-Quiets. In another year, this still might have been an impressive feat. However this year, Georgia Tech barely missed a NCAA bid, and refused a bid to the NIT so its students can actually study (can you believe a school putting academics first?), That act clearly demonstrated how unimportant the NIT is today.

It has been one hell of a tournament. Arizona, the defending National Champion, has returned to the Final Four. As an Amicus computer-like rankings defending champion, with five returning starters, the trip to the Final Four was easy. And as Razorback coach Nolan Richardson says, they won the close games because he is a great coach. Right, Nolan. Your coaching caused Lawrence Moten to WEBber it. (For the sport illiterate, WEBbering is the act of calling a time out when your team is out of time outs. See 1993 NCAA Championship game.)

And I won’t mention the ticky-tack foul or the missed free throws which allowed the Razorbacks to win their previous two games. Listen, Nolan, you are a great coach of a great team.

Get the chip off your shoulder. You’ll live longer.

Boxing

Mike Tyson is out of jail and he, with his promoter Don King, is looking towards a 100 million dollar championship fight with George Foreman. And the saddest part is that this isn’t a punchline. Tyson was parcelled last Saturday and on Thursday held a press conference to announce his future. Unfortunately, he reaffirmed his allegiance to Don (I steal, therefore I am) King.

If Tyson was returning to the ring, I was hoping for the Pre-King-Givers Tyson. Then Tyson was potentially on his way to being one of the all-time great coaches. Every fight had the potential for him to do something amazing. The last couple of years B.P. (Before the Pageant), Tyson was still a good fighter, but nothing special. Remember, he lost decisively to Buster Douglas. Even now, given the state of the heavyweight division, Tyson might reclaim the Heavyweight title at least or at least one of the countless belts. But, absent a miracle, Tyson’s best days are in the ring are long behind him.

Pro Basketball

The comeback by the other Michael looks to be more successful. After watching him score 55 points against the Knicks the other night, I have to admit he looked great. I was wrong in expecting him to be very rusty, but he looks almost as good as when he retired, if not as good. But his Bulls don’t look great. Granted, the team is 4-2 since his Ailness has returned. But two of those victories were over the hapless Celtics and another over the slightly superior Hawks. The Bulls, without Jordan, would have won all three games. Against good teams, they are one and two, beating the Knicks, but losing to the Pacers and the Magic. Aside from Scottie Pippen, the rest of the Bulls are standing around and watching Jordan. Looks like Jordan may start talking about his supporting cast again.

Baseball

Today may be the day the music died. United States District Judge Sonia Sotomayor issued an injunction for the players. With this injunction, the players have voted to return to work under the same financial system that previously existed. While this return would be good for the fans in the short term, allowing the players to continue to under- mine the financial basis of the game will have disastrous long-term effects.

Potential consequences included the frequent moving of franchises, creation of a two-tier league of haves and have nots, and potentially insolvent franchise. For all who deny the financial trouble of franchises, remember that the Pittsburgh Pirates, after being forced by finances, to dismantle a Pennant-winning team, had to take out a ten million dollar loan last year to meet operating expenses. This was before the strike. And they aren’t alone as a troubled franchise.

There are two glimmers of hope. First, the owners are immediately appealing this ruling. Second, and more likely to bear fruit, the owners may vote to lock out the players. While there have been mixed reports on whether or not the owners have the votes needed to lock out the players (21 of 28 teams have to vote to do it), I think that the owners will find the votes to successfully lock out the players. Nothing else would make any sense.

The owners cannot afford to have fought this long and to lose to the players again. And in the end, the players can’t afford to win. They need the game to continue. If only Don Fehr had never been born, this might have been settled by now. See you next issue, and then never again.

50 % T-shirt victors; Soccer not a sport (notwithstanding)

By Neil Lewis

Basketball Highlights

There are some champions in the law school. Men’s B-2 basketball champs 50% won their final game over Joe “Cool!" Tighe’s team of fat old guys and Colin 53-46. 3L and Chief Justice “Wrestling” Matt Bissonette threw in 20 and King Towser “records” added 15 for the five man team 50%. The quote of the game goes to Joe Tighe, though. 60% was ready to pick up their T-shirts right after the game, but an obviously exhausted Joe said, “You’ll get your shirts as soon as I can get up.”

Co-rec B champs Co-Dreamers won the final in their tournament in a laugh 56-40, led by 1L Amy Mang “The Merciless,” who averaged at least 18 points a game in the playoffs. Strong performances in the final game were turned in by 3L Kirstin “Hyah” Mueller, getting 9 points in her farewell appearance, 1L Anne “EriGo Bragh-Less” Ireland who played on a broken ankle (make my Marine Corps blood boil! She is one hard girl, 3L Russ “Oil Can” Foster, who wanted not to only win the game but humble the dorky undergrad trying to defend him, and 2L Jon “the man” Mahan, who finally made his first shot of the season.

Not as lucky as the previous two teams, Juice II mads it to the finals of Men’s C by forcing every team in their way to forfeit. Juice coach 2L Sean “I Know All The Rules” Overby planned this masterful strategy, but when the Juice got to the finals they actually had to play a game and they lost.

Hockey Highlights

An incredible shocker, the best floor hockey team in the law school, The Ice Monkeys, lost to Joe Tighe’s Cal-Gary Isles 4-3 overtime of the B1 playoffs. A short handed goal by 2L Neil “Self-Striking” Lewis put the Monkeys ahead with two minutes left to play, but the Isles scored on their power play. The goal counted just like a regular one even though the net was clearly knocked away from its correct space. Head Ref’ and whistle swallower (when it comes to Joe’s teams) 3L Steve “Mee Culpa” Armer had this to say, “Oh yeah, I probably blew that one.” No big deal, Steve, it just knocked a team out of the playoffs.

The Hanson Brothers now may claim the title of best floor hockey team in the law school if they can win the B1 tournament. The Bros. faced their first real challenge last week facing a team with decent size, the Seamen, but they squeaked by 5-2, despite racking up 10+ penalty minutes over the course of the game.

Dogged by Love was knocked out by the undergrad Whalers (featuring 2L Wendell “Apple” Paj) 6-2, despite leading 2-0 in the second period. The Dogs just ran out of gas—and fast.

The Mighty Dorks appear to be the team to beat in the B2 bracket and should get the coveted IM champs T-shirts.

Soccer Highlights

You know, I always give people grade crap and tell them to drop me notes about what their teams did and when. Most of the soccer teams have been great about it—but I lost the notes from the past couple of weeks. Sorry.

See SOCCER on 16
SOCCER from 15
I do know that Sandpiper Air is kick- ing butt through Men’s B and now stand at 3-0 after a 1-0 victory over FVCK THE Draft. 3L Scott “Land” Layman’s penalty kick provided the only scoring. Can anyone stop the Daisies? They shut out every opponent they face.

MOVIES from 13
And that was the general flaw with the movie—the script. It proceeded along two assumptions: 1) A pop cultural allusion is fun in and of itself even if it makes no sense within the story; 2) If you keep the film moving fast enough the audience will not notice that nothing is really happening. Considering that I was sitting in a theater where NO ONE laughed at all during the movie (and this was supposed to be a comedy), it’s obvious that both assumptions were severely misguided.

Now, for Dolores Claiborne. I was reading over my past couple of columns and was beginning to worry that maybe I was too hard to please. So far this semester, I’ve recommended one movie (The Quick and the Dead). Every other movie that opened in 1995 I’ve panned or worse. Fortunately, that has changed to an extent. I can now find something positive to say about a movie and actually recommend another one. While there are flaws (some of them rather big), Kathy Bates’ and Jennifer Jason Leigh’s performances in Dolores Claiborne are definitely worth catching.

Dolores Claiborne is based on a Stephen King novel and, like most of his stories, is set up in Maine. The story begins with an old woman falling down the stairs to her death. Dolores is the prime suspect because of an eyewitness and because Dolores stands to inherit $1.6 million from the old woman.

Coming to Dolores’ assistance is her estranged daughter, played by Jennifer Jason Leigh. They haven’t seen each other in many years because Leigh has always held Bates responsible for her father’s mysterious death when Leigh was a child. During the course of the movie we discover all the details surrounding this earlier death and its impact on the present.

The story is inconsequential, which is the movie’s biggest cast of criminals that he is. I asked Mark why he did it and I swear to God he said, “D’ya like dar shrimp on d’ya babbie!” I don’t know about you guys, but I learned classical English, not that strange dialect he seems to have picked up.

Doug Onley also took the plunge and got a really butch hair-cut, but unlike the sort of cool aspects of Danny and Mark’s new looks, Doug’s hair just makes him look more silly than usual. Informed sources tell me that Doug got the haircut because he wanted to counter-balance that whole lamp-in-the-carred thing and make himself a little more attractive to women. Peter Owen, upon seeing the new Doug do, responded, “I think he’s kind of cute.” Right pew, Doug, wrong church. Unless you want to start getting even longer and smokier glances from Steve Chinn, I’d suggest that you go back to the drawing board.

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went so far as to shave his head completely, making him look more like the descendant of outlaw Marky Mark. You can tell the writer and director didn’t care much for it because of the small amount of time devoted to the plot. Any surprises that do exist are so obvious that you just sit there waiting for them to occur.

But what does work is Bates’ and Leigh’s acting. They make their characters so painfully real that you sit there entranced. Not by the story, but by them. They are also smart enough performers not to do too much for any scene. They only show just the right amount of emotion and never push it over the top. A finely crafted pair of performances that deserves to be noticed.

There, that made me feel better. I’ve actually found a movie that came out in 1995 that I liked. Now if I can figure out how Kim Basinger has managed to get roles in good movies like Batman, Never Say Never Again and The Natural, I will be completely satisfied. But I guess you can’t have everything.

Who is this malcontent, pictured here with Katherine Cross ‘91? Cross told us that although the gentleman appeared with his sign every day for several weeks, nobody cared to ask what his grievance was.

April 4 to 10 Mike Grable, including their names, their chili’s name, and whether they can provide their own crock pot. Prizes will be awarded.

Pledge Week begins with a pizza give-away, sponsored by PSF, at Noon in the lobby. So please be generous during the week so PSF can be generous in return to your fellow students.