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Merhige deciding the tough cases

By Eliza Hutchison

Senior District Judge Robert R. Merhige spoke to a gathering of students in the McElruith Moot Courtroom on Sept. 5. The topic of his speech was “Deciding the Tough Cases.” Merhige concluded that in twenty-nine years of being a judge, not a single case could be described as anything but “tough.”

Merhige, who has been described by many as “quick to make up his mind, but slow to change it,” became a U.S. District Court judge in 1967. After completing his undergraduate education at High Point College on a basketball scholarship, Merhige attended law school at the University of Richmond. He explained that he wanted to be a lawyer from an early age, though a high school teacher thought he should strive to be a taxi driver instead. Merhige proved his high school teacher wrong, and went on to accomplish much in the legal profession.

Addressing the topic of tough cases, Merhige explained, “All cases are tough if the judge lets them be tough. Once a decision is in, I don’t take it home with me.” That said, it is difficult to see how some of the cases over which Merhige presided did not go home with him. In the Richmond school desegregation cases, for example, Merhige took literally the order in Green v. New Kent for immediate desegregation. As a result, he was forced to protect his family with federal marshals for an extended period. Despite threats to himself and family in over 1500 letters, Merhige refused to acquiesce in his position or his lifestyle: “People told me to change my phone number. I never did because that would mean the crooks had won.” Assessing that difficult time, the judge concluded, “They were not going to scare me out of doing what I needed to do. But it was disappointing that it all went on so long.”

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No beer here: W&M advertising reg bites the dust

By Sutton Snook

The Sept. 6 issue of the *Amicus Curiae* was prohibited from putting the word “beer” in an ad placed by the Green Leaf. Associate Vice President for Student Activities Ken Smith notified Editor-in-Chief Stephen King that W&M policy prohibited words with, as he quoted from the school’s alcohol policy, “reference to ‘alcoholic beverages,’ ‘alcohol,’ ‘cocktails,’ ‘kegs,’ ‘golden beverage or brew,’ or other terms or illustrations descriptive of alcoholic beverages or which encourage or promote the consumption of alcoholic beverages...” Consequently, faced with violating school policy, and the risk of losing school funding, the *Amicus* revised the advertisement and notified Glenn Gormley, owner of the Green Leaf, of the decision. The ad was placed as revised, reading “The Largest Selection of Bachelor's in Southeast Virginia.”

Gormley commented that the regulation was "insulting to me as a business owner trying to advertise my product, and to adult students. Does the First Amendment not permit to be in Virginia? Where does it end? Are they going to prohibit the advertisement of eggs because of their high cholesterol content?” Netherlands that people are allowed to wear t-shirts with profane slogans, Gormley asked. "Which is more offensive, the word "fuck" or the word "beer"?” He added that this regulation inhibits his ability to make a living and for years refused to take ads out in school publications because the regulations were too restrictive. King questioned the policy and added that "this is the most abusive case of wielding authoritarian power I have ever seen. Americans kicked the King of England out for such totalitarian acts, and we should kick the administration out too.”

What Smith failed to include in his discussion with the *Amicus* was that he had not quoted the rule in its entirety. His original reference was to Rule 19 of the Alcohol Policy, which refers to advertisements to specific events sponsored on campus; they do not apply to general advertisements in student publications from restaurants and bars. "The regulation appears to refer to ads for specific events, when taken in context," Smith later recanted. In fact, the entire alcohol policy refers to the consumption of alcohol and to regulations for student sponsored and on-campus events. Nowhere within its 24 regulations does it mention restrictions on advertisements in student publications.

Smith commented that the school alcohol policy was last revised in July, 1995, then sent to the state Attorney General’s office for review. Smith said that after the *Amicus* contacted him regarding this article, he contacted the local ABC representative John Hughes for local regulations on alcohol advertisers, who informed him that it is acceptable for bars and restaurants to include words such as “beer” in their ads, as long as they are subordinate to the main focus of the ad. Also, bars may not advertise enticements to drink, such as Happy Hours and “2-for-1” specials. Smith gave the example that a bar may advertise specials on buffalo wings between certain hours and add that beer and alcohol is available, but may not advertise that an establishment has a Happy Hour between 4-7pm with specials. See BEER on 5.
Q: I requested an interview with a firm where I really want to work, but they didn’t want me to meet with them. What should I do?

A: FOLLOW THE INTERVIEWERS TO THEIR CAR AND USE YOUR IMAGINATION (OCTOBER建議: 確定在看到其他車的前提下使用您的想像力) 

Q: I’ve heard from members of the previous class that the interviewers sent by certain firms make really loud, sexist, and inappropriate comments. Should I interview there?

A: YOU BET!! ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE A TREASURY WEEKEND BY YOURSELF! SO YOU CAN SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE EEOC OR THE MEDIA! YOU PROBABLY WOULDN’T LAND A JOB, BUT WATCH HOW SERIOUS THEY GET WHEN YOU SAY "TITLE VII!"

Q: In any way I can be exempted from repaying my student loans if I don’t find a job?

A: YES! GO INSANE! PERMANENT MENTAL DISABILITY WILL ENSURE YOU GET ANY OF THESE DAYS.

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From the Editor’s Desk...

A recent article in the Virginia Law Weekly reported on new construction at the University of Virginia Law School. The construction is scheduled to be completed by Aug., 1997. The new law “complex” will consist of several new buildings, (not a single law building as is the case at M-W). One of the new buildings will, for example, “provide students with a law school-run bookstore, improved offices for student organizations and journals, two additional moot court rooms, a large reading room, and four additional 60-person class rooms.” In addition, the new law school will have a computer lab with 100 computers and/or laptop connections, student mail boxes and enough lockers for each student. To top off the whole building frenzy, “there will be a lawn, reminiscent of the [central] grounds lawn, leading up to the front courtyard, and a courtyard with gardens enclosed by the four buildings.”

This is the fifteenth anniversary of our own law school building, and its inadequacies are no secret to anyone. Of course there is a certain envy engendered when gazing upon the goodies handed out to our brethren in Charlottesville. Why does one state school get so much, while we seem to have so little? We are told that the additions to our law school require time and the approval of the legislature in Richmond. We do not blame the administration. In fact, we know that the administration is well aware of the situation.

We do not celebrate our building, nor would we mourn its passing. Patience awaits the arrival of some sign, some symbol, that our suffering has not been in vain.

There is a sense that here in the Williamsburg cell block, we are boxed in like so many cattle --- fed a steady diet of law forage.
New students picked to serve as Dean’s Associates

By Jennifer Vincent
Several M-W students are serving as ambassadors this year. But the job does not require any travel out of the country. Instead, these students are serving as ambassadors right here at the law school.

Dean Thomas Krattenmaker and Associate Dean Jayme Barnard have spearheaded the Dean’s Associates program, which allows guests and alumni to learn about M-W’s assets from those who know best—the students. Barnard and the students say the program, though in its initial stages, has met with approval at the Associates’ first functions.

The Associates mingled, chatted, and generally dazzled the attendees at the recent Dean’s Council dinner, which is held for the law school’s cherished financial donors. After helping to set up for the dinner, the Associates answered guests’ questions about M-W’s needs and attributes. Barnard said the alumni and other donors appreciated having the students at the dinner so they could hear from the students themselves how the donations are helping.

Dean’s Associate Amy Fedok (3L) said donors also asked the students their views on future needs for the school, especially M-W’s ever-pressing need for more space. Although the donors knew of the administration’s desire for more space, the students told the donors from their own perspectives how they could benefit from additional space.

In addition to courting donors and planning receptions, the Associates will also get a unique opportunity to interact with the many distinguished guests which grace the M-W halls each year. These students will play host to Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a host of judges, as well as participants in the Supreme Court preview.

Fedok said her participation in the program was a natural progression. As the Admissions Committee Co-Chair last year, she worked to represent the school to interested law students. This year, she can still work with the admissions process but also broaden her input. She added that her admissions responsibilities helped train her to promote M-W as a Dean’s Associate.

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Dean’s Associates huddle around their mentor at the Dean’s Council Dinner.

"I had to be ready on the drop of a pin when someone called at home to tell them about William & Mary," Fedok said.

According to Barnard, M-W’s "best ambassadors are our students." The Dean’s Associates program was instituted to better utilize the student’s knowledge and willingness to promote the school, she added.

"I think we’ve always provided good hospitality to our guests. We know we have terrific, charming students who make a good impression," Barnard said.

Michael Wadeley: A gentleman and Drapers’ Scholar

By Henry Jardine
Again this year, as for the past forty years, we at M-W have the pleasure of welcoming our new Drapers’ Scholar. This year we extend our hearty, colonial hospitality to our new English student Michael Wadeley. Michael, having successfully completed the process of selection, has come to us this semester as the proud recipient of the scholarship offered by the Drapers.

No, the Drapers are not a group of interior decorators with too much money; rather, they are a society that dates back to the 14th century. Naturally, with the end of the Middle Ages, things changed, and from a guild, the Drapers have become a charitable society, headquartered in London, which sponsors educational programs and scholarships.

This is not Wadeley’s first time away from the shores of the ‘Sceptered Isle.’ He spent a year working in Nuremberg and a year studying at the University of Lund in Sweden. While it may be a little warmer than Sweden, Wadeley says he enjoys being here. When asked about where he is living, he effusively responded, “I love the Gradplex. I’ve never been in student housing where it’s carpeted or there’s furniture.” It certainly can’t be denied it’s the simple things in life that bring pleasure. He also enjoys leaving the carpeted palace of the Gradplex and attending the social functions sponsored by the SBA.

He remarked that the events “were well-orchestrated, and a good time” apparently Neil Lewis (3L) did not pay him to say that. He has also become very familiar with the local establishment known as “Paul’s” and may be found there frequently.

So if you happen to see a very tipsy Englishman in Paul’s loudly extolling the virtues of the Gradplex, do not be frightened; introduce yourself to one of the fine legal minds of her Britannic Majesty. Wadeley has found the Americans he has met to be very friendly, and would certainly like to meet more. If we all do our part, therefore, I am sure he will return to England with more to say than that we are “Oversexed, overfed, and over...”

The annual Dean’s Council dinner: Strictly black tie

By Wen Cheng
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Bhala hosts party for international law students

By Catherine Poole

What do international law students have in common? A liking for beer and 6-foot subs, it seems. It may be that the presence of Bhala’s house on the afternoon of Sept. 8 was unrelated to the number of M-W students that turned up, but I doubt it. The event was held to welcome the new students from abroad to the law school, and was co-hosted by Professors Bhala and Malone, and the International Law Society. As well as these students and professors who have an interest in all things international, there were American students from Bhala’s International Trade and International Commercial Law classes, and Malone’s Public International Law class.

This year, M-W hosts students from Ukraine, Russia, France, Switzerland, Korea, Latvia, Estonia, England and... oh yes, Australia (knew I forgot one). Needless to say, this made for some very interesting conversations, although not perhaps on quite the high plane that you might expect. I, for one, got involved in a discussion (read: argument) about the relative merits of gridiron football versus Aussie Rules football, and heard several comments about getting used to driving on the right (wrong?) side of the road.

Many thanks to Bhala for his hospitality -- both indoors and outdoors (some students took the opportunity to go canoeing). Judging from the number of students who attended (over 60, all told), there is a lot of interest in international affairs, and I would encourage all students to join the ILS. Further information about the club can be obtained from either the noticeboard or any of the ILS office-bearers.

Those lucky people are: President Jim Cady (3L), Vice-President Mary-Ruth Smith (3L), Treasurer Nick Roegner (3L) and Secretary Henry Jardine (2L).

We will be holding both social functions, including a potluck dinner and beerfest (see, I told you we’re interested in beer and food) and professional interest seminars throughout the year. Our next social event will be an international beerfest, to be held sometime in October. I encourage all students who have an interest in international law, either as a possible career or merely to extend one’s vision of the law beyond the four walls of M-W to join the ILS and get involved in our activities. It’s a great way to learn about other legal cultures, and meet people from the four corners of the globe, as the above list of countries should demonstrate. Information about the beerfest will be posted as details come to hand -- come and compare Beauty (aka Fosters) to the Beast.

Moot Court takes on the SBA budget challenge

By Paul Walker

With the completion of the early rounds of the Bushrod Moot Court Tournament this past weekend, the Moot Court board is well on its way to selecting the 32 members of next year’s team. As part of the fallout from the SBA budget crunch, the Moot Court board voted unanimously to not designate three alternates this year.

Such a result, Moot Court team in choosing the tournament, because, says Davis, “it’s not fair to Moot Court participants to put them on the team and not able to send them to tournaments. When you say you’re on Moot Court, it means you’re attending tournaments, not just doing well at William and Mary.”

It’s hoped that the three alternates can be added back next year, but Davis is not sure the budget situation will be any better. In fact, she indicated that if funding levels continue to decrease, future boards may be forced to look into decreasing team membership.

Krattenmaker enunciates goals

By Frank T. Sabia

Recently, Dean Krattenmaker graciously took time from his demanding schedule to address a few issues about which M-W students have expressed concern. Among these are the short and long-term goals he plans for the school, the new first-year curriculum, the heating/air-conditioning problems, funding for programs, space problems and campus security.

When asked what he believes the “mission” of Marshall-Wythe is, Krattenmaker replied, “The goal of the law school, in the long-term, is to be a model of what a small, state-supported law school can be and to serve the Commonwealth by producing highly educated students entering the legal community of the twenty-first century. I think that is an attainable goal for us. I think we are already one of the very best in that genre.”

Dean also said that schools like M-W have a large role in legal education heading into the next century by continuing to provide a quality legal education without the outrageously high tuition that many larger schools charge.

In the short-term, the need for more space is the most pressing item on Krattenmaker’s agenda. He stated, “We’ve been so successful here, that we have outgrown the building! This is a building that was built for one law review, not five; for maybe two or three moot court teams a year instead of ten or twelve... and less than ten years ago, we were scheduling 90 classes a year in this building; currently, we are scheduling more than 180 classes a year. This is all good news, but the success is truly outrunning the bounds of the building.” To this end, the Dean says that a special committee, consisting of students, faculty and staff, and chaired by Dean Galloway has been created to examine the best way to alleviate this problem. The committee has hired an architect to draw plans for an addition to the building that was built for one law review, not five; for maybe two or three moot court teams a year instead of ten or twelve; for maybe two or three moot court teams a year instead of ten or twelve...

Another short-term goal of the law school is to create “a better telecommunications infrastructure” which would be less reliant upon the main campus. Krattenmaker’s goal is to have a local area network centered around M-W, which would be able to “connect to the [main] campus backbone.” This would allow law students easier access to the network and would encompass an E-mail system which would eventually replace the hanging files. It would also provide students and faculty with much better access to Lexis, Westlaw, and the Internet.

When asked about the faculty, the Dean replied that M-W has had an outstanding group of professors for the last four to five years. The Dean stated that during this time, “our hiring has been something that any law school in the country would be proud of.” There are plans to add one or two new faculty members in the next two or three years. Future plans for continuing to attract quality students on the other hand, may be a little more difficult. The Dean expressed concerns over the decrease in law school applicants nationwide this past year. (410 percent drop from the previous year) and said that we should expect similar circumstances this year.

Dean Krattenmaker explained that the way to bring top notch students to any law school is to show them the quality of the current student body. He wants “word to get out that this is a great place to study.”

“What is also needed,” he See INTERVIEW on 10
Law Watch

By Alison Rosenstengel

Prison Bars v. Nudie Bar

Like many other good, wholesome communities, Texarkana, Texas, has zoning laws to prevent "sexually-oriented" businesses from locating within 1000 feet of any church which offers daily services. The town has run into problems enforcing the ordinance against The Executive Room, which plans to open within 1000 feet of the chapel in the Bowie County Jail. Attorneys for the adult entertainment center claim that separation of church and state prevents the jail's property from being considered a church for the purposes of the zoning law. The jail's chaplain, a former biker outlaw, claims that the church meets 13 of 14 revenue service criteria for churches. (National Law Journal, 7/3)

Spam Scam Slammed

Enoch Franklin Smith, Sr., 68, of Nahunta, Georgia, has pleaded guilty to selling 1,198 pounds of pork to a North Carolina food wholesaler. The processed meat product, worth over $11,000, had been stolen from a Georgia warehouse by a third party. Sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 18.

Stick to the Script!

Two women who served as walk-on characters in an MTV Beachhouse skit on Long Island last summer sued the music network, Viacom, and VJ Kennedy for $20 million for libel. The two signed releases and acted as foreigners who couldn't speak English and ended with VJ Ed Marques jumping in the back of their car as they drove away. Kennedy then referred to them as "whores." The court found for MTV, saying that it should have been obvious that Kennedy was referring to the characters they were playing and not the actresses. The women are appealing.

Just Scratching my Nose, Officer

Unfortunately for Stanley Marion Cook, the hitman he hired to assassinate Florida Assistant State Attorney Leland Baldwin turned out to be an undercover detective. Even worse, Stanley's handwriting on the hitman were recorded on videotape -during the hearing in which Baldwin was prosecuting Cook on drug charges.

The Picnic's over

The town that is so well known for its many restrictions is at it again. Last winter the village of Ocean Beach, New York, placed severe restrictions on outdoor barbecues. An annual permit for residential barbecues costs $30. Only gas and electric grills are allowed - no charcoal. Outdoor cooking is only permitted between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m., and a working fire extinguisher and garden hose must be within ten feet of the grill. Baldwin added that a local restaurant
turned for an injunction against the enforcement of the restrictions, claiming that they made no provisions for dining establishments and had no rational basis. The court upheld the restrictions, finding that Ocean Beach had a valid interest in protecting its "Finger environmen.t." (National Law Journal, 9/4)

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Bushrod Washington Moot Court Tournament Kicks Off

The Moot Court competition is full swing, and everything has run pretty smoothly so far, according to Peter Owen (3L), the man behind the Bushrod Tournament. Unlike last year, where delays of close to an hour were normal, the first day of competition was running maybe ten minutes late.

Ninety-six individuals handed in intent to compete forms for this year's tournament, the same number as competed last year. "The 2Ls have put a lot of effort into this. I'm sure they're going to do good," said Owen. There has also been a surprisingly keen interest among 1Ls. More 1Ls want to be bailiffs then there are bailiff positions available. In the past, according to Owen, the exact opposite has been true.

Supreme Court Preview

The Institute of the Bill of Rights Law will be holding their annual Supreme Court preview on Sept. 22 and 23. The session starts on Friday, 6:30 p.m. with a Moot Court argument on Roe v. Evans, which many third years may recall as the Law Review write-on competition topic involving gay rights. Then at 8 p.m. there will be a town meeting discussing the Contract with America and its impact on constitutional issues. Saturday will be devoted to one hour sessions on a variety of topics — Civil Rights (8:30 a.m.), Business and Commerce (9:30 a.m.), freedom of speech and press (10:30 a.m.), federalism (11:30 a.m.), freedom of religion (2 p.m.), criminal law (3 p.m.), and property rights and environmental law (4 p.m.).

This year there will be more and shorter sessions, according to Pam Kulgen (2L), member of the student division of the Institute of Bill of Rights. There will also be more review than in past years because so many important cases were handed down over the last session. All events are free and open to the public.

Participants in the Supreme Court Preview: Bill Banks, Syracuse University; Paul Barrett, Wall Street Journal; Joan Biskoupik, Washington Post; Richard Carecelli, Associated Press; Neil Devins, William and Mary; Dave Douglas, William and Mary; Aaron Epstein, Knight-Ridder; Jill Fisch, Fordham University; Michael Gerhardt, William and Mary; Linda Greenhouse, "New York Times;" Tom Kratennaker, William and Mary; Tracey Maclin, Boston University; Paul Marcus, William and Mary; Tony Mauro, "USA Today;" David Savage, "Los Angeles Times;" Kathy Urbonya, Georgia State; Steve Wermiel, Georgia State.

Cable at College by end of Winter Break

Latest word from the College is that cable will be installed on campus and ready for television viewing by the end of Winter Break. Director of Telecommunications Katherine Green told the Flat Hat that installation is off to a good start.

Local Candidates' Debate Schedules

With the fall election season right around the corner, newly registered voters who are trying to get in-state residency will be afforded an opportunity to check out their local candidates for office. On Wednesday, Sept. 20, candidates for James City County Board of Supervisors will square off at 7 p.m. in the government building by King's Mill. On the 27th, Del. George Grayson (also government professor at W&M) will debate Joseph Mann at 7 p.m. in the Stryker building, which is the Williamsburg City building located behind the Williamsburg public library.

Concert Series Opens to the Tunes of Wynton Marsalis

The W&M Concert Series begins on Monday, Sept. 18, with a performance by the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, conducted by Wynton Marsalis. The event will be held at Phi Belta Kappa Hall on the main campus. The performance will feature jazz pieces from artists such as Louis Armstrong, Dizzy Gillespie, Count Basie and Thelonious Monk. There will be a repeat performance on Tuesday, Sept. 19. Both shows begin at 8 p.m., with seating beginning at 7:30 p.m. Single performance tickets may be purchased for $20 from the Office of Student Activities, Campus Center 203, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:40 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at PBK Hall box office beginning at 7 p.m. on the evening of the performance.

SBA first year representative candidate statements

Alexis Bennett

Let's face the facts, any one who wanted to experience the rush of cut-throat competition would have gone to Harvard, Georgetown or some other miserable school. I think it is safe to assume that those of us who chose to come to William and Mary would rather work together than wish failure on our fellow classmates. With this in mind I ask you, for an opportunity to help shape our school and the law school in general into a living and working environment where we can all learn and benefit from one another.

Victoria Blakeway

Since my inadvertent appointment as events coordinator for my law firm, I have organized birthday parties, firm dinners and even a pub-crawl in Richmond. Getting involved in organizing firm activities has reminded me of the often overlooked value of giving and receiving the support of a community. SBA activities are a large part of what makes the M-W community so special. I want to be elected 1L Representative in order to contribute my skills to this larger community.

Jimmy Carter

My goal is to establish a legal clinic at Marshall-Wythe. I envision a cooperative effort between the College, area attorneys, and the local court system, which utilizes the extensive assets we have diligently to to cultivate at the School of Law. Our nationally recognized Legal Skills program, perennially accomplished Moot Court teams, and our access to ground-breaking technology such as Courtroom 21 currently excels in theory, but not in actual practice. Let's give something of ourselves back to the community at large, and gain some valuable knowledge while we're here. Hey -- actual experience will get us jobs.

Robin Dusek

I'm not a politician, so don't worry that I will pull politician tactics just to get a vote. However, I will listen to all suggestions and ideas. I'm relatively low stressor and make good use of my time, so I'll be your representative all year, not just when the workload is fairly light. My two main goals are: 1) to help our class get to know each other as more than just G.P.A. threats, and 2) to help the law school become more aware of and involved in the events available to us as William and Mary students.

Melinda Hough

What we choose to do here will affect us and M-W now and in the future. I want to serve as a 1L Representative to help the SBA make M-W into a well-rounded experience we enjoy and are proud of. As 1Ls, we have excellent new ideas. Our concerns are important, and I am willing to represent them. I work well with a variety of people, can accommodate different interests, and follow through. I balance work and fun—just as the SBA should.

Call me any time at 221-6494. Thanks for your consideration, and remember to vote!

Sincerely,

Melinda Hough

Eliza Hutchison

Hi there! As you've probably realized by now, the SBA plays a big part in our lives here at M-W (read: keep those Bar Reviews coming!) And while Thursday nights wouldn't be the same without the SBA's influence, there are other serious ways in which the organization affects us directly. As your representative, I will keep you informed of how SBA is affecting you personally (what's one more notice in your hanging file?), and offer you a trusted voice in meetings. I value confidentiality and the tenacity to resolve issues, both large and small. You can be assured these values will be reflected in my representation of our class on SBA.

Ryan Ketchum

The SBA is central to fostering the experiences we will go through in the next three years. The people who elect us will make decisions that will affect us all, like which organizations to fund in what amounts. In addition, the SBA fosters a sense of community. It is this sense of together-ness that will make the Marshall-Wythe experience what it is, and what it will be to each of us. As a representative I will look for ways to further this sense among ourselves, the surrounding classes, and the administration.

Sincerely,

Melinda Hough

Patrick Muldoon

And he came down from the big tree:
he was not like the others, they were bigger, stronger and had conquered the seas,
he was small, timid and feared the water.

Yet he would climb to greater heights than the others would dare imagine.

For he was blessed
He was a tree frog.

Maqui Parkerson

My name is Maqui ("McKee")

1Ls are capable of anything...
Commitment is more than an election...
Studying is important, but it isn't everything...
1Ls, 2Ls and 3Ls can learn a lot from each other...
Community service begins in law school...
Deans and professors are a valuable resource...
Commuting students are not just here to study...
Women deserve to be on an equal playing field...
Married people are just as fun as single folks...
Listening is an acquired skill, being friendly isn't...
A strong voice should be backed with stronger conviction...
A sense of humor is essential...
Northwestern's victory over Notre Dame was not a fluke...
I believe...
that I would serve the 1L class well as one of its SBA representatives.

Danielle Roebber

I'm Danielle Roebber, a JMU graduate with a political science degree. I'm running to serve you as SBA Representative. Although I am unfamiliar with the student body's needs, I have experiences...
Should English become the official language of the U. S.? "Official" language and "official" unity

Eric Misener

"I can just imagine the warm, fuzzy feelings of inner-city residents as they reach out to their suburban and rural brothers and sisters who, regardless of race and economic class, all agree that the English language binds all of them together."

The rationale of unity also requires closer scrutiny. Those supporting the measure contend that the advancing "multiculturalism" of the nation will result in ethnic and racial strife. They conspicuously use examples of the tragedies in Bosnia and Somalia as omens of things to come if we do not somehow advance "assimilation" of all groups into "normal" American culture by making English the "official" language. Apparently the racial strife that this country has suffered throughout its short history will be alleviated by the symbolic act of making us all "unified" under one tongue. The race riots of Detroit, Miami, and Los Angeles may have been avoided, if only we had had the foresight to declare that all Americans must speak English.

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It is difficult to believe that educated men like Dole honestly think that social upheaval can be mitigated by promulgating an official language. In fact, proponents of the official language legislation overlook one salient factor when they pronounce the evil consequences of "multi-culturalism," and use the Bosnian and Somali examples. The bloodshed and destruction in those nations was not caused simply by the fact that peoples of different cultures and languages lived within the same political entity. Rather, those horrible tragedies occurred only when one group, because of its power, decided to impose its own culture and language on other groups.

I would propose that Mr. Dole and the others, instead of making English "official," pronounce that the United States is a not a nation of those who speak English and those that do not; but a country of Americans, who, regardless of what language they speak, deserve the respect of their fellow citizens.

Only by recognizing the rich diversity of our nation can we realistically attempt to unify it.

Erik Meyer

"Who benefits from the marginalization of immigrants caused by perpetuating their ignorance of the English language? Certainly not the immigrants themselves. Non-English government forms, citizenship ceremonies, ballots, etc. wrongfully communicate that it is unnecessary for them to adapt to their new environment and adopt the majority language. Rate and distinct cultural identities are both bizarre and irrelevant to this debate. Demands by an immigrant group for taxpayer subsidization would be inconceivable in almost any other nation. The spectacle of an American in Mongolia or Ukraine insisting upon the state provision of English forms and instructions, and expecting to be able to realistically participate in these societies is facially absurd. Those critically concerned with preserving their languages and traditions unschooled would be most rational if they remained in their native lands; seeking to replicate these cultures elsewhere is ridiculously implausible and self-defeating.

However, even if cultural isolation is their goal, the official language proposal does not negate it. Anyone is perfectly free to remain in blissful ignorance of the language of his new home - the proposal merely provides that those who make this choice will be unable to participate fully in society. This inability is of their own making, and impossible to remedy without affirmative effort on their part. No government efforts or government subsidies can possibly substitute the opportunities their own decision to become fluent in English would provide.

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Social Update

Who says law students don’t know how to have fun?

By Carey Lee

Although not an SBA event, Phi Delta Phi’s annual Rush Party at the College Dely was a crowded success, overlapping well into a Tri-Delt date dash, and frightening the undergrads with raucous behavior. It is questionable whether most of the students were actually “rushing,” or just taking advantage of the fraternity’s generous beer tab (is it possible that everyone’s favorite 4L, Jason Van Pelt, intends to finally go PDP this year?). Some of the 2Ls seemed a little sourly with frightening the undergrads with raucous behavior.

The Bar Review at Rockin’ Robin exceeded everyone’s wildest expectations, proving to be the law school’s most successful venture into townie bars yet. From the first strains of that John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John classic “You’re the One That I Want,” the dance floor was filled with sweaty law students. For the FEW who missed out (2Ls in love) or who arrived too late to dance (FYI to 1Ls Steve, Rick, and Tom: Bar Review starts at 7), the lighted dance floor was jam-packed all night long. Few stars shined brighter than “Dancin’” Dave Dawson under the mirrored disco ball. The DJ had the golden 70s and 80s tunes flowing with only a few missteps (Kenny Loggins’ “Danger Zone”).

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The entire crowd grooved to “YMCA,” the “Electric Slide,” and even “Boot Scootin’ Boogie” (with dance coaching from the locals). The staff was overwhelmed (to say the least) by the amount of thirst generated.

The evening was also a coming out for a hot new 3L couple, easily the most startling pairing since Lisa Marie and Michael Jackson. (The buzz is that they’re quite inseparable.) Were it not for the sweet sounds of Dave Carter luring everyone back to Paul’s, the dance marathon certainly would have gone on.

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in close confinement, to be efficiently shipped to auction on the job market and, if the analogy must be completed, sent to slaughter. Although we may not be able to alleviate the whole space deficit problem any faster, there is a related matter that we hope the architects, planners and administrators will take into account when they are finished in Charlottesville and get around to our part of the state.

The importance of one’s immediate physical environment cannot be understated. Contemplate for a moment the joyless, windowless vaults of re-circulated air, where we spend so many hours of our days under a harsh fluorescent glow. Putting aside the temperature control problems and the growing concerns with space, let’s hope the people who plan the additions to the law school take into account the fact that this is a place where human beings must live and work. Efficiency, dollar amounts, square footage of floor space, and amount of book shelf space in the library are not the only qualities that make a law school.

What was perhaps most intriguing about the new law school construction in Charlottesville was the attention to detail — the lawn, courtyard and gardens, the transplanting of trees and shrubs that would otherwise have been destroyed by the new construction. In Macon, Georgia, at Mercer Law School, there is a veranda perched upon a hill that overlooks the downtown. On this veranda are several white wicker rockers where the weary hearted law student may rock his anxious spirit. They too have given some attention to the details that make their law school home a little more bearable. We pray that the shortsightedness and lack of human touch that went into this building fifteen years ago serves a cautionary purpose to those responsible for the new construction that is rumored to begin some time in the indefinite M-W future. And, as always, we pray for quick appropriation.
Interviewing tips from the gainfully employed

By Jeff Reiser

Many M-W law school students are just beginning the process of interviewing for jobs. Interviewing provides most job seekers great stress and anxiety. In fact, a recent USA Today pie chart found that 94% of job seekers, or the vast majority of the job seeker pie, felt that interviewing for a job is the most stressful aspect of life. That’s a lot of pie...so obviously, there is some sort of statistical significance here.

Perhaps some helpful hints may enable M-W job seekers to feel more confident and perform better when interviewing.

Do I Like This Person?

Unfortunately, the question that every interviewer ponders about each interviewee with whom he or she speaks. Before an applicant is granted an interview, he or she must submit a resume. The interviewer closely reviews each resume to determine if applicants have the skills and experience necessary to perform the tasks that a position demands. If you are granted an interview, the interviewer is already confident that you are capable to do the job.

During an interview, the interviewer is not considering “Can this person do the job?”, but rather “Do I like this person?” In fact, an attorney for whom I worked once informed me that an interviewer asks himself or herself, more specifically, “Would I want to have a beer with this person?” Perhaps many of you are relieved, even ecstatic to hear this. However, keep in mind, the question is “Would I want to have a beer with this person?” rather than “How much beer can this person drink?” A subtle distinction perhaps, but one that should be noted.

And remember, this question applies to your future with the firm rather than the present, so don’t get insulted if the interviewer doesn’t suggest going out to split a pitcher. Also, don’t press the issue. Bringing a six-pack to the interview is not advisable. One final point regarding this matter: you should not wear a hat that holds two beer cans with straws extending down, unless it matches your tie.

Tell me a little about yourself

Nearly everyone has faced this question at one time or another in their interviewing history. In fact, “Tell me a little about yourself” is the most commonly asked interview question. Yet, even though interviewees know to expect this question, many still feel uncomfortable answering it. In part this is because it seems so open-ended, they don’t know how to respond. Many interviewees assume that the interviewer wishes for them to provide information directly relevant to their ability to perform the given position. This is a common mistake. In fact, the interviewer is attempting to ascertain how the interviewee thinks of himself or herself as a person.

As we know from casual conversations, people who present themselves as over qualified or under qualified are less interesting than those who present themselves in terms of their personal life. Thus, the proper response to the request of “Tell me a little about yourself” is one discussing aspects of your personal life. Some may be inclined to play it safe at first. Such people may feel most comfortable discussing schools attended, activities participated in, and favorite hobbies. Admittedly, its a start. But ultimately its too antiseptic, too generic.

In general, people feel more comfortable with people who are willing to expose their vulnerabilities. This applies to the context of the interview as well. For example, its not enough to tell the interviewer where you’re from. Better to divulge that as a child you were picked last for kickball, and perhaps that you still are. Dating history provides a rich resource from which to draw. Did your boyfriend or girlfriend just dump you? Tell the interviewer about it. Are you having trouble even getting a date? Even better.

Think about how you feel about someone when he tells you an amusing anecdote about his embarrassing experiences. You, surely, feel a certain bond with that person. And in an odd way, the more embarrassing the experience, the more impressed you are with the storyteller. Well, the same applies when in an interview.

Of course, try to relate your stories to the position you are interviewing for. For example, if you are interviewing for a job as a problem solver, mention a situation where you were able to solve the problem. If you are inquiring about a job as a conflict mediator, then mention a situation where you had to negotiate two parties to come to an agreement.

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who he noted outlasted the alumni on the dance floor. Though Michele Bresnick (3L) was particularly impressed that the Dean could “really cut a rug,” the band had actually quit playing long before Krattenmaker had realized it.

The night was particularly special for Professor Donaldson. “All but two or three alumni were former students of mine,” commented Donaldson. He was also reunited with fellow classmates Dave Dickerson, Charles White, and Stanley Barr, and sat with lifelong friend and alumni Ed Flippin. Donaldson joked that he would rather be dancing to “Three Dog Night” because he “honestly don’t know well to a Latin beat.” Students were impressed that Donaldson teach dance in addition to his regular courses. The Dean, Donaldson, and Associate Dean Rick Overy accompanied students to Paul’s after wards. Though it was far from crowded for Donaldson’s first time at Paul’s and for the Dean’s first time “in a tux,” both enjoyed getting to know students better.

Also on the Council are Professors LeBel and Marcus, Associate Dean Faye Shealy, and the President of the College, Timothy Sullivan. Dean Whyte, a former Dean of the law school was also present for the festivities. The annual dinner was organized by Joan Pepper, Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs & Development, Monica McGrath, a graduate intern in the Alumni Office, and Associate Dean Overy and Assistant Dean Page Hayhurst.

Plans are already being made for next year’s Dean’s Council Dinner which will be held Sept. 14, 1996.
CROSSW RD® Crossword
Edited by Stan Chess
Puzzle Created by Richard Silvestri

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2. Push the scissors
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4. Marge
5. Make eyes at
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7. Longshoremen?
8. Paper money
9. Accumulants
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53. Spruce up
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66. One of us
67. Deluge with
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Lost and found in the mailroom

My dear Sis,

Well, I have decided that this school needs a serious reality check. Would someone please pull their Barbri review book out of their ass and check the definition of "humor"? No, they won't find it listed in Black's Law Dictionary, but they will find it here. Enough said.

The school put in a new computer system in the library. Oh please! Like anyone uses the library for anything other than Lexis, Westlaw and the resume file anyway. But as soon as I give the score from the last us cheese and crackers, remark- just for Millie the Dog to make a buck. This guy's article droned on and on, but Moliniero had filled it with recipes from the last issue of the Amicus. (Guess it wasn't the half-baked Amicus staff that wrote that garbage - I tried one of the recipes, Georgia's best deviled egg cookies, but I prefer to eat day-old cat food.)

Speaking of the newspaper, it has this sports column that really rocks, that is if you don't like verbs and descriptive language. Everything means only that you give the score from the last game rather than simply telling who won. It's called "Sherrily you must be kidding..." Funny, that's what I thought when I asked myself whether I should keep reading beyond the first paragraph. This guy is in law school? Sherrily you must be kidding. This guy walks upright? Sherrily you must be kidding. Literacy -- try it, it's not just for Millie the Dog to make a buck. This guy's article droned on and on, but Moliniero had filled it with recipes from the last issue of the Amicus. (Guess it wasn't the half-baked Amicus staff that wrote that garbage - I tried one of the recipes, Georgia's best deviled egg cookies, but I prefer to eat day-old cat food.)

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In LayMass Terms

Abu-Jamal: a real journalist is hard to find

By Jeff Reiser

The retrial hearing of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the journalist on death-row for the murder of a Philadelphia police officer, received national and international attention this past summer. Important decisions in the appeals process are anticipated later this month or in October. Two things that the Amicus is not above are jumping on the media bandwagon and feeding its tremendous sense of egocentrism. Hence this week's column -- a comparison/contrast between Mumia Abu-Jamal and Amicus staffers.

Abu-Jamal is convicted of murdering a Philadelphia police officer. Amicus staffers look like they ate one too many cheese steaks.

Abu-Jamal is a prize-winning journalist. Amicus staffers dream of one day winning the PSF Chili Cook-off.

Abu-Jamal was found in contempt by judge. Amicus staffers are found contemptible by their peers.

Abu-Jamal is considered by some to be a political prisoner. Amicus staffers are considered by many to be jackasses.

Abu-Jamal is receiving vocal support from Hollywood stars such as Danny Glover. Amicus staffers thought Lethal Weapon "ruled."

Abu-Jamal had been scheduled to die by lethal injection on August 17. Amicus editor Stephen King returned to Williamsburg on August 17.

Abu-Jamal's fate is in limbo during what could be a lengthy appeals process. Amicus staffers spend too much time at Paul's.

Many court observers are critical of Judge Sabo, who presided over Abu-Jamal's initial trial, for not rescuing himself. Amicus staffer is critical of himself for drafting Chris Sobo in rotisserie baseball league.

In addition to his newspaper reporting, Abu-Jamal has authored books published by Addison-Wesley. Amicus staffers are contented with half-price nachos at bar review.

Abu-Jamal has proclaimed his...
Dear Smarter Guy:

Can't we all just get along?

Being a sensitive and caring law student, who has a professional obligation to help the poor and downtrodden of the world, I must ask: Why is the Amicus Curiae so mean? I agree with the letter to the editor in the last issue that the Amicus uses its extremely powerful position, as the oldest and most reputable law school newspaper in the country, to bludgeon those it dislikes in a flur of malicious commentary.

Can't we all just get along? I thought lawyers were supposed to be nice people. We ought to act as the boy/girl scouts of the legal world, helping the less fortunate to cross the proverbial streets of litigation. We ought not act as voracious piranha, tearing into M-W's hallowed halls forever. If you need guidance, I'll be happy to lend you an ear this year's LS for the first time.

The last few weeks have proven a fashion victory for us all. Around all people are shedding their mauvish troods of yesteryear and are breaking out with the latest looks. We have seen a number of trends, but the biggest coup thus far has been hair styles.

Quicker than you can say "cut," women and men are flocking to their local stylists to capture the hottest looks in hair. The winning choice for the ladies is the "Shag." Not the ever-popular South Carolina beach dance, but long, tousled (and frankly quite arousing) layers. Ladies, those of you not participating, WAKE UP—it's fun, it's funky, and it's free. You can't hold on to those Darth Vader-esque naps forever. If you need guidance, check out Ann "Moot Court Dominatrix" Davis, Lisa "All that-and-a-bucket-of-chicken" Moxley, Kim "Fiddle" Welsch and the dear-lectible ladies of the hit NBC sitcom, Friends. Not to be outdone, the men of M-W have gone scarf-happy as well. That George Clooney, Keanu Reeves hairdo is slowly catching afire. Unfortunately, most M-W men feel that the Supercuts nine dollar haircut is great. Yes, it gets you that patented "Floobie" haircut, but who wants a haircut with a vacuum attachment? (Don't answer that; looking around I see too many men who have already answered "yes.") For guidance, seek out 2Ls Tim "RJ" Morrison, Mike "Dancing Fool" Friedman, John Osborne and Roman Credit butcher—Julius Caesar. Although, the earrings, droll manner, and bitchy attitude that comes with one of our models is an option package. I'd advise you pass on.

Now that we've highlighted this season's biggest trend (although new, phat, phunky-heeled shoes are the rage as well, see 3Ls Lisa Moxley and Ann Davis for examples), it's time for us to showcase our picks hits for this late-summer/early fall edition. Whether it's the person, the clothes they wear, or both, these are the ones to watch.

Mr. B.B. is worked into an absolute tizzy over the prolification of conserva-men at M-W. Mr. B.B. fervently applauds those who aren't drawn into the alluring web of "fast-food, Mefashion." This conservative theory of dress has been repeatedly offered by 2L Brad Finch, who incidently, is my pick for this first fall fashion issue. Finch informed B.B.: "I like a look that can last. I don't want to be a slave to some prissy catalog's "do's" and "don'ts." I am to dress what classic rock is to radio. I support jeans and flannel, things that aren't going to make me squirm at a Allman Brothers' concert. On a dare I might wear Polo if it's going to set me apart in a crowd . . . I can respect a guy like Mike Friedman, but you couldn't pay me enough to slip me into one of those linen numbers." Many others embrace the Finnish style of no-nonsense dress. Of note, the seemingly fratish looks of boysth Professor Meese (as compared with the actual fratish and boysth mine of 2L Scott Arian) is well with B.B.'s appreciation for fashion conservative and restraint. A nod of approval is similarly extended to those who dress with recreation in mind: the aquatic. See FASHION on 15
Music for the Masses

By Tom Church

Blind Melon, Soup

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Blind Melon has always been sort of a mixed bag. Combining the punk veracity of Jane's Addiction with the jazzy number and "Car Seat," a samba, both boogie with their shoes off. "Skinned" has a great melody combined with bizarre lyrics ("And oh, don't you know that I'm always feelin' fine when I'm sittin' home and I'm carvin' out your navel") and the added value of a kazoo. "St. Andrew's Fall," a standout on the album, begins with a jazz melody which later builds into a loud and insanely fast climax.

The songs on the record pretty much defy description, as they take the listener through many musical lands. Blind Melon has thrown whatever they like into the musical melting pot, creating a distinctive and tasty brew. If you liked their first release and value experimentation at the occasional expense of melody, you'll love Soup.

Dangerous Minds Soundtrack

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Michelle Pfieffer at the front of the classroom. This dream of every adolescent boy comes true in "Dangerous Minds," a movie chronicling the trials and tribulations of a new teacher attempting to teach a street-wise and unruly bunch of bright inner-city kids. In addition to the great premise (Michelle Pfieffer at the front of a classroom), the movie sports a pretty good soundtrack, with some mellow jams and some strong young talent.

In the aff with "C'Billy's The Gangsta's Paradise." (Incidentally, the video's great—it's got Michelle). With an epic, operatic mix reminiscent of Snoop Doggy Dogg's "Murder Was The Case," the song does the rapper with featured singer thing, with L.V. accompanying Coelio's treatise on the difficulties of living in a "gangsta's paradise." Without any attempts at humor or lightheartedness, the song is dark and haunting, serious to the core.

The rest of the album compensates for the seriousness of the first track, with party tunes like Tre Black's "Put Ya Back into It," which successfully resurrects the early 80's hit "Cars." On the spunky "Don't Go There," 24-K defiantly says "I ain't your ho" and then repeats Aretha Franklin's request for "just a little respect." Most of the rap songs on the album sport easy-going Long Beach-style mixes, which makes for some good mellow listening. The real find of the record is Rappin' 4-Tay, with two songs on the album, "Problems" and "A Message For Your Mind." His tunes are mellow and fun (one is primarily based on the Jackson Five's "I Want You Back"), but they always sound authentic as an expression of his problems and concerns with life in the inner city.

The album has some good ballads as well, with Immature's "Feel the Funk" and DeVante's "Gin & Juice," although the mixes on the record in general are kind of standard. In fact, the most interesting mix on the album is "This Is The Life," by former Prince protege Wendy and Lisa, who also did the score for the movie. Overall, although the songs on the album aren't exactly the most distinctive or original, the Dangerous Minds soundtrack is a good record for reading books, cuttin' the rug, or just chilling out.

(Records were rated on a scale of one to five stars, with five being the highest.) Extra special thanks go to Mr. Bradley Finch and Ms. Shannon Howes for their generous donation of CDs.
Honeymoon at the Movies

The Tie that Binds: It was either this or Waterworld

By David and Jennifer Eberly

We've written two different reviews this week. Being married doesn’t mean that you’re always going to agree. Consequently, we also have developed two different rating scales for this week’s picks.

By Dave Eberly

Rating Scale:

As good as Pulp Fiction
As good as Star Wars
As good as Apollo 13, Ratting Arizona
As good as Die Hard, Coming to America
As good as Sister Act, Judge Dredd
As good as King Ralph, She Devil

The Tie that Binds might be more aptly named She Devil (Carradine & Darryl Hannah).

As a suspense film, the movie is OK, but not spectacular. It starts out slowly, and I found it a little predictable. The Tie that Binds fails in its attempt to become an objet d’art. Overwrought symbolism pervades long parts of the film, but then really adds nothing. Darryl Hannah, who is obsessed with a painting of the Madonna, is a little deeper than the average antagonist, but that depth is never really explored.

The best part of the film is the adopted girl, played by Julia Devlin. Unlike most child acts (see last-issue’s review of Something to Talk About), she doesn’t overact her part. She is the glue that keeps the movie from failing. The Tie that Binds would be better off sticking to the classic suspense formula. Instead, it turns out to be a half-baked, Pulp Fiction wanna-be, that distracts as much as it unnerves.

By Jennifer Eberly

Rating Scale:

Really, really good
Good
Pretty bad
Really, really awful

I should preface my review by saying that when I saw the commercials for The Tie that Binds, I thought, “This movie could be good, or it could be really, really bad.” As I sat in the theater and the previews came on, I kept thinking that the first and only part of this article would be: “Don’t stay past the previews get out while you still can.”

Keeping these pre-movie feelings in mind, I was pleasantly surprised. The last couple of movies I have seen have been horribly predictable. It seemed I was always two steps ahead of the plot.

That was not the case with this movie. I was genuinely surprised as the plot took me on its twists and turns.

As far as the cast goes, Janie (Julia Devlin), the “orphaned” child, outshined all of her adult colleagues. Devlin’s delivery of Janie’s tragic past was excellent. She reveals this past to her adoptive parents in such a heart-wrenching way, through verbal clues and facial expressions, that she made me want to adopt her, although I don’t think Dave would appreciate it.

The rest of the cast was so-so. The adoptive mother (Moira Kelly) was really the next deepest character, whereas, the adopted father was overlooked when they were passing out the character development. The vile biological parents were both good at being bizarre as they traveled the area stealing and killing.

Taking all this into account, I thought this movie was a pretty good thriller. But maybe that’s just because I thought it was going to be very, very, very bad.

This week’s old releases:

Coma, 1978: I really thought I was going to like this movie, but let’s just say that it was one of the aforementioned movies that I thought was terribly predictable.

Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story, 1993: Dave had been trying to get me to rent this movie with him for at least a year. I finally gave in, and was very happy that I did.

My Fair Lady, 1964, Audrey Hepburn, Rex Harrison: This 1964 Best Picture winner is one of my favorites.

A visit to the “best restaurant” in Williamsburg

By Ramsey Taylor

Giuseppe’s Italian Cafe is arguably the best restaurant in Williamsburg. The range and quality of food available for the low price makes it worth lunch or dinner any time of the week. Avoid Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights because you are guaranteed a minute wait between the Ewell Station shopping center, the

Located at 650 Richmond Road at the movie theater, the restaurant is attractively decorated with wine bottles and a sophisticated “New York Retro Italian” scheme. The outdoor patio makes Fall and Spring outdoor dining an option and a pleasure. The outdoor authentic Italian cafe umbrella stands are reminiscent of many lunch in Tuscany.

The restaurant is co-owned by Joseph Scordo and Dan Kenney. Scordo is the manager who stops by each and every table at least once to ensure that everything is going well. Scordo has over 20 years of experience in the service industry and has settled in Williamsburg to create a restaurant that serves the community with creative and delicious Italian food. Dan Kenney is the chef, with 20 years experience, who creates unique and imaginative dishes. Kenney’s cooking philosophy is to try and expose the dining community to the almost unlimited variety of Italian dishes. Going beyond traditional spaghetti bolognese, Kenney has brought unusual dishes to Williamsburg, including Scallop Linguine Santa Fe, Tunello Fungi Fettuccini and all manner of dishes with sun-dried tomatoes. Furthermore, if he has the ingredients on-hand, Kenney will take requests from the public.

Main courses come with the unforgettable lentil soup or a salad, and limitless hot fresh rolls are always provided. The menu includes an extensive selection of vegetarian dishes, individual pizzas, seafood pasta and traditional items. Specials of the day are varied and are based on Kenney’s daily grocery shopping expeditions. The portions are ample and always freshly cooked and have never failed to please. The price ranges for entrees from four to sixteen dollars and the average dinner for two, without wine, usually runs around seventeen dollars. The wine selection is fairly extensive with many reds and whites by the bottle and glass. The Red 1986 Girea Amarone is an excellent wine, but at $23 a bottle, it may not fit a law student’s budget. Service is always excellent and the staff bends over backwards to accommodate customer special needs. The excellence of the staff belies Scordo’s contention that he tries to keep payroll costs low to keep food prices down. Drinks are refilled often and without charge. The staff has mastered the fine art of responding to requests without being obtrusive. Furthermore, the staff has never gotten into the habit of continually asking if one “needs anything else” in an attempt to clear the table for more customers.

Sitting on the couch with Sheryl Underwood

By Marissa K. Riley

Launching a tour ranging from twenty-four to thirty college campuses, of what she hopes will be successful tests of her future talk show, Sitting on the Couch with Sheryl!, comedian Sheryl Underwood chose W&M as the first stop for a panel discussion patterned after the talk show’s format. Underwood, 31, who has appeared on The Def Comedy Jam, hopes to emphasize the positive aspects of a talk show, such as the conversation and analysis that the show is patterned after, but without the offensive and disrespectful behavior often seen on other talk shows. Advertised as having “the youthful energy of Ricki Lake” and “the conservative slant of Rush Limbaugh,” the show does not debut until sometime in 1996, but Underwood already has definite ideas about the direction Sitting on the Couch... will take.

A self-described moderate Republican, Underwood wants to be both charming and confrontational, without offending her audience or her guests. But with suggested topics like the Contract with America and affirmative action, controversy is likely to erupt on the show.

Underwood says she wants to encourage a variety of perspectives on her show, warning “you don’t know what you’ll be asked when you’re sitting on the couch.” When asked about the inevitable comparisons that will be made between herself and a certain famous African-American female talk show host, Underwood says that her style will not be like that of Oprah Winfrey’s, but adds, “Oprah is a one-woman show.”

Underwood explained that one of the reasons for this tour of colleges, besides trying to test various styles and formats among audiences in different parts of the country, is to prove that the show could be a profitable venture. Underwood denies that she will come to Williamsburg in order to make this happen, maintaining that, first and foremost, she wants Sitting on the Couch... to be patterned after her own unique personality.

The panel discussion, sponsored by the Black Law Students Association and the Sports and Entertainment Law Society, and See SHERYL at 15
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2L Dan Summerlin, the visually stunning 11. Dave Bruns, and the 2L soccer enthusiasts Dan "is lonely" Pringle and Jim Hicks.

Mr. Jackson, as you all know, tends to give his snaps to those who throw conservative looks to the winds. Mr. Jackson's definitely the closest to upping the M-W with the efforts of 2L Tim "RJ" Morrison. Our own little piece of New York smacks unbridled sex-appeal; his nods to Banana Republic, Gap, and a taste of low-brow Armani, sets my fashion bells a ringin'.

Two other notables are in a category all by themselves; if they would just submit to my make-over desires, they would be burning up the hallways of M-W. I am, of course, speaking about Golden Boys, Inc. (Tim "I don't mind polyester" Hughes and Pat "Pigskin" Dyson). These two remind me of those gold-foil chocolate bars: golden and pure on the outside and dark, murky and pungent on the inside. Apparently funded by the guests, Dr. Frieda Williams (2L) sang "Whitney Houston's "Just the Lonely Taking Again," but Grant Wright, sophomore, stood out with this piano jazz performance of "Midnight Blue Menagerie," which he had composed himself.

The last we heard our interesting juxtapositions, with the reigning Miss Williamsburg and the president of the W&M Gay Student Association being paired together for a segment and the presidents of the Federalist Society and the M-W Democrats paired in another. Underwood seemed to take the most pleasure in her first guests, Dr. Frieda Williams, associate professor of education, and law professor John Levy. Challenging Levy's assertion that the clinical skills program's federal funds were under attack by the Republican congressional majority, Underwood asked if there was any way that private donations could be sought. Levy responded by saying that more time would be spent trying to raise funds instead of providing legal aid to those who needed it. Though the exchange between Levy and Underwood seemed to border on heated, Underwood later said that she enjoyed the discussion because she and Levy had "chemistry."

Professor Alemante Selassie and Student Bar Association president Neil Lewis were another inexplicable pairing, with Underwood posing foreign policy questions for them to answer. It was Lewis' concern with the decreasing allocation of funds received by the law students from the Finance Committee that carried over to Underwood's next guests, the看得 the best looking, but they are easily the best dressed as well: Lisa Moxley, Anna Davis, and Wendy Walter. When each of them sashay by, the only phrase that can escape my puckered lips is, "break me off a big 'ole piece of dat." (Mr. B.B., upon complimenting Jackson's choicest, bit his nails and exclaimed, "Enough to make a mute man sing!")

That's it. The secrets have been revealed. Mr. B.B. and Mr. Jackson can take no more of the mental anguish involved in the peril of this fall's divas. Time for us to gussy up in a manner not inconsistent with this article. (After all, we are the true queens of fashion.)

Before we do that, (Mr. Jackson) would like to leave you with two bits of advice. Tip one: Darlings, Vaseline is not makeup. It's a make-up remover. Tip two: Safer sex is stylish; so for any of the newly-formed couples for whom no condom is strong enough, please abstain until you've harnessed the powers of gortex.

CANDIDATES from 6

experience serving students.

At MU, I participated in Tau Beta Sigma National Honorary Band Service Sorority, where I assisted the band and the community. I served as Corresponding Secretary and Executive Vice President while working on many projects. According to Pearl Buck, "To serve is beautiful, but only if it is done with joy and a whole heart and a free mind."

Frank T. Sahin

As a first-year law student, you should keep in mind that when you vote in a couple of weeks, you will be choosing three persons who will be representing you in the Student Bar Association for an entire year. I believe that I am among the very few candidates that will care enough to listen to our first-year class and relate our opinions and concerns to the SBA executive board. I plan to make myself available on a regular basis for this purpose. Through my election, every 1L will have a voice in the Student Bar Association! I encourage every one of you to contact me if there are issues you would like me to address, for I have been allotted minimal space to introduce myself to you. I would like to add that I will be glad to debate any candidate running for office, or even just hold a discussion session before the election to voice all the candidates' views. In this way, I think you will become familiar with my aspirations and dedication to serve you, the Marshall-Wythe class of 98!}

Steve Willmore

I want to ensure that my class is represented with intensity, commitment, and sincerity; and I believe that I possess the experience and the desire to attain these goals. I received my B.S. from Virginia Tech in Electrical Engineering in 1989. While in Graduate School, I actively participated in the student government by representing the entire Electrical Engineering student body on the Graduate Student Council. I believe that I have the experience necessary to serve my class effectively and responsibly. I also believe that I possess the intensity, the initiative, and the managerial skills to get the job done (just ask the members on my softball team that won the SBA tournament). Additionally, I will listen and respond to the concerns of my class (it was my suggestion that prompted Gerhardt to move his class to 9 a.m. on Thursdays). If elected I will serve my class to the best of my ability and will effectively represent the needs of its students.

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Overheard

“My name has more personality than I do.” -- Stephen King

“Duh!” -- Professor LeBel

“One day you’ll find me in your shower.” -- Danielle Berry

“When you wake up, you go ‘excuse me, I have a question.’” -- Professor LeBel

“This is going to sound a lot like Sesame Street.” -- Professor Schaefer

“It’s Friday night -- I’m not going home. There are more babes out here.” -- Professor LeBel

“I tried to get some damn news in this newspaper, but all I got was a kick in the ass.” -- Stephen King

“You think you can drink and drive when you’re wasted.” -- Robin Dusek

“The victim is dead.” -- Professor LeBel

“Progress has not come to Williamsburg yet.” -- Random tour guide

“I’m too damn big. They call me husky.” -- Stephen King

“If you hear something funny or worthwhile, drop it in the Amicus hanging file, and it may just find itself here.

ADVICE from 9

the interviewer: Who does he think he is, asking a question for which you are unprepared? He just ruined your interview. When presented with the hypothetical scenario to which you don’t know the answer, it is important for your response to reflect your feelings rather than your uncertainty.

Confront the interviewer in no uncertain terms, “That’s a pretty tough question from your side of the desk. Why don’t you come over here and ask that?” You may want to add, “Come on, old man. I’m not afraid of you.”

Although, this addendum is really up to each interviewee’s discretion. Should the interviewer remain positioned behind the safety of his desk, mutter a dismissive, “I thought as much.” Essential to the confrontation is that you challenge the interviewers manhood or womanhood, as appropriate. But remember , ... this is a job interview, so be professional.

Positive Self-Talk

Your outward behavior and presentation of yourself are not the only considerations when preparing for the interview. Just as important, perhaps even more important, are the internal processes that you experience. Whether you are aware of it or not, each time you attend a job interview, you regularly engage in some sort of inner dialogue with yourself, or self-talk.

Often while waiting to be called into the interviewer’s office, interviewees find themselves thinking negative and even unrealistically catastrophic thoughts about the task before them. These thoughts, or negative self-talk, increase your anxiety and nervousness, and lower your level of confidence. Such thoughts include, “This guy’s not going to like me.” “This interview’s not going to go well.” “I’m not going to get this job.” “Why am I even wasting my time going to this interview?” and “If I don’t get this job, I’m probably not going to even find a job.”

Such thoughts are likely to negatively impact your interview performance. One strategy to counter such pessimistic tendencies is to make a conscious effort to think positive thoughts. These helpful thoughts, or positive self-talk, will make you more relaxed and more confident regarding the task before you. And these feelings can prove beneficial to your interview performance. Examples of positive self-talk include: “I’m going to like this jackass and this jackass is going to like me.” “This interview is going to really well, but if not, I have no problem spreading some sort of rumor about the interviewer,” and “I really have no qualms prostituting myself, and my skills to take this unfufilling, but well paying job.”

Know Your Strengths and Weaknesses

Two other commonly asked interview questions are “What’s your greatest strength?” and “What’s your greatest weakness?” As with “Tell me a little about yourself,” many interviewees make the mistake of trying to relate their responses to work. For example, as a greatest strength some interviewees actually answer with something like “I’m very detail oriented” or “I can work on several projects at once.” Admittedly, these are good things to be able to say about yourself. But they’re too narrow.

When asked to name your greatest strength, always list something extremely broad such as “I’m a good guy” or “I’m the best.” Certainley, each of us would prefer to be regarded as the “best” rather than simply as “detail oriented.” And interviewers think this way as well. After all, someone who is “the best” would be “detailed oriented” if it was helpful to the demands of a position as well as possessing a great many other positive attributes.

Naming one’s greatest weakness proves even more difficult for an interviewee. Some interviewees make the mistake of answering truly. But really, what interviewer wants to hire someone who reveals “I experience occasional lapses in judgement,” “I have difficulty expressing myself sometimes,” or “I’m simply not that motivated to do a good job.” Of course, a common trick used by interviewees is to answer this question about their greatest weakness by naming a quality generally regarded as a strength.

Examples of this include: “I may be overly conscientious” or “I feel the need to do my best work, all the time.” No interviewer is fooled by this ploy. And many will take offense at your attempting such a ploy.

So how should one respond to a question about their greatest weakness? The answer is simple. Name weaknesses that are not entirely work related. Such as: “I don’t always wash my dishes immediately after a meal.” “I sometimes feel that I use too much shampoo,” or “I over-rely on my jumpshot. I need to drive to the basket more.” These are very real weaknesses. The interviewer will appreciate your honesty, and will at the same time note that such imperfections are likely to have minimal effect on your job performance. Be careful though, some weaknesses, while seemingly trivial, reveal too much of your flawed nature. For example, no one is going to hire someone who admits, “I sometimes don’t fill up the ice cube tray after I have taken the last cube.”

So with all these points firmly ingrained into your personality, happy hunting, and remember, those polyester uniforms at McDonald’s aren’t too uncomfortable.

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Calendar of Events

Tuesday, September 19
"Who’s Afraid of the Big Black Bat?": DOG Street Theater is showing Batman Forever through Sept. 21, 7:00 p.m. only.

Come See the Rematch: Legal Briefs (1Ls) v. Carey’s Killers (3Ls) in Intramural Softball at 9:00 p.m. at Busch Field. Will Neil finally get his revenge?

Wednesday, September 20
Introduction to Computerized Research at M-W: Sign up at Circulation Desk to learn more about computerized research. Lunch will be provided by Lexis/Nexis & Westlaw. (Hey, free food!). Room 127 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 21
Writing Clinic for 1Ls and LLM Students: Room 124 from 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Bitch to Tim: President Sullivan has reserved office hours to hear students’ complaints or concerns from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Register individually or in small groups with Gail Sears for a 10 minute appointment. 221-1693

Grab a Friend: 8:00 p.m. Friends premieres. Will Ross actually date Rachel? Don’t miss this one! Tape it at a minimum.

Bar Review at Library Tavern: 7:00 - 1:00 a.m.

Friday, September 22
Introduction to Computerized Research at M-W: For those who could not manage to attend the first session, here is your second opportunity to get a free lunch.

Supreme Court Preview: The Institute of Bill of Rights Law will host the 6th annual event in the McGlothlin Moot Court Room starting at 8:30 p.m., overflow in room 119. Students and Faculty are welcome and do not need to register.

Saturday Night Fever: After the Supreme Court Preview, you can relive the ’70’s at the DOG Street Theater, 11:00 p.m. only.

Saturday, September 23
Supreme Court Preview: The fun continues in room 120 with overflow still in room 119. It will run from 8:30 a.m. - 4:50 p.m. Don’t miss the opportunity to hear some of the nation’s experts!

Saturday Night Fever: Don’t forget to see John at 11:00 p.m.

Please submit your entries for the Amicus Events Calendar to Danielle Roeber (1L), Toya Blakeway (1L), or the Amicus hanging file. Entries may include activities sponsored by law school organizations, main campus or community events.

COUCH from 15
President of the Student Assembly, and Annie Samuel, a W&M food service employee. The President of the Student Assembly shared the same concerns as Lewis about the decreasing amount of money that the college spends on its students, but Samuel refused to comment on the issue.

When asked if there was a union among the food service employees, Samuel refused to comment, saying there might be spies in the audience. The panel discussion concluded with Samuel reciting the poem, “Negro Mother.”

Some disappointment was expressed over the sparse attendance of the panel discussion. Lorrie Sinclair (3L) one of the organizers of the event, said she had hoped that this panel discussion would “bridge relations” between the law school and the main campus, and that the different issues discussed would attract a variety of students.

However few they were, the audience members responded positively to Underwood’s panel discussion. The only criticism was that there were too many guests and “too much breadth, not enough depth.” Underwood encouraged comments, both positive and negative, because she said that the only way she would know what techniques worked was through the audience feedback.

Tuesday, September 26
SBA Elections for 1L Representatives: Elections will take place in the lobby from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Remember, if ya don’t vote, ya can’t bitch! (I know it’s a cliché, but deal with it!)

Wednesday, September 27
Lunch with Tim: President Sullivan will host students in groups of 10, but only four more times after today. Other dates include Oct. 12 and 26, and Nov. 14 and 29. Don’t miss this opportunity to schmooze! Sign up with Gail Sears at 221-1693.

Virginia Voter Registration: From 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the lobby. You can also register Sept. 18 - 22 at the University Center, same hours.

Bloodmobile: American Red Cross will be at the University Center to take your blood from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. Call 253-0228 if interested.

Friday, September 29
"As You Wish": DOG Street Theater is showing The Princess Bride at 11:15 p.m. Hey men, impress those women!

Saturday, September 30
True Love: DOG Street Theater will repeat the previous night’s movie at 11:15 p.m.. Hey women, in case those men missed it, you can catch The Princess Bride tonight!

Sunday, October 1
Football: Redskins take on the Cowboys at RFK Stadium. Perhaps “take abuse from the Cowboys” would be more appropriate?

Monday, October 2
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No strike for the NBA and too much Deion for everyone

By Todd Sherer

At least one sports league on the rise decided that they were getting enough not to strike. The players in a 2-to-1 margin voted to keep the NBA union intact. Thursday, the union representatives will vote, followed by the owners on Friday; assuming that both votes are successful, the NBA will proceed as scheduled. However this could be far from over. Mitch Richmond has filed an unfair labor practice claim charging that Commissioner David Stern used the threat of a long lockout to coerce the players into voting for the union. Even worse, the Michael Jordan led group could challenge the election and keep alive the antitrust suit filed in federal court in Minneapolis. This group deservers a year of free travel on US Air. Although the NBA probably would not have suffered as much as baseball or hockey have with a strike, it might have effectively killed, or at least seriously jeopardized, the goal of having a global league, if in the first year of expansion into foreign lands (Vancouver and Toronto) there were no games. Here's to hoping that the camps open in early October as scheduled.

What is the best baseball story of 1995? No its not Cal Ripken, although he became the new iron man in baseball, and maybe the best story of the decade. No its not Nomomania that the Japanese wonder who Keith Olberman was calling the savior of baseball in June. No its not the continued mastery of Greg Maddux, who will probably win the Cy Young award until 2000. Well, I'll just tell you.

Deion Sanders is considering quitting baseball, because it is beginning to wear on his body. Of course he said this after getting beaned in the elbow with a pitch, but Deion you're going to play football where you hit and get hit every Sunday. Wait a minute, I guess now we figured it out -- since he doesn't play at all, the most contact he has all season is the yearly brawl with Andre Rison.

Of course Andre is in the NFL, but to call that slap fest a brawl is an insult to quality fighters like Peter McNeeley. Not that I have anything against the two-sport star, other than that he is the most overrated player in two sports.

What could the Giants have been thinking when they traded Darren Lewis, Mark Portugal, and Dave Burba for good old Prime Time and a 30 year old refrigerator repairman named Nate. Deion is statistically the worst lead off hitter in the National League; Darren Lewis is one of the best defensive outfielders in the National League and is fifth in stolen bases. Plus, Darren Lewis is not a distraction. It can't be too thrilling to the Giants to see Deion on Sportscenter every night, not in a Giants uniform, but in street clothes talking about all the money he's going to make playing football. The trade just does not add up -- the Giants are one of the league's most financially strapped teams who traded young, relatively inexpensive talent away. The only scenario that makes sense is Carmen Policy of the 49ers paying the G-men major cash in a fruitless attempt to keep Deion in San Francisco.

When told by reporters of Deion's sudden decision to quit, Giants General Manager Bob Quinn could only reply that sometime "we'll have to sit down and get a definite understanding of what's going on." Welcome to the Wonderful World of Deion, that makes you have to hear him for half a year.

William and Mary sports roundup: At best a mixed bag

By Kristian Burch

Football

In its first two weeks of play, the Tribe matched-up against two in-state opponents who overpowered them on the field. For its season opener, W&M traveled to Charlottesville where it battled against Virginia. In the Cavaliers' first contest on their new grass field, they outplayed the lead, scoring their lead, scoring their reded the football. Four plays later tailback for the touchdown. These were the first of Kevin Brooks carried the ball seven yards first of two field goal, to set the score at 23-3, with mission, the Cavaliers had extended their third quarter, lead to 26-3. was set-up by W&M cornerback Darren to Virginia's 17. Five plays later, Keen Sharper's teams. Virginia was charged with able to score another until early in the was set-up by W&M cornerback Darren to Virginia's 17. Five plays later, Keen Sharper's teams. Virginia was charged with able to score another until early in the The touchdown drive for the first time, which is the most sacks it has for JMU.

In its home opener, W&M faced in-state Yankee Conference rival James Madison. Last season, the Dukes defeated the Tribe, 33-7. JMU extended its winning streak against W&M Sept. 9 when it recorded a 24-17 victory at Zable Stadium.

The strong Tribe defense caused three JMU turnovers on its first four possessions of the game. The second JMU turnover came when quarterback Mike Cawley threw a pass which was intercepted by Tribe cornerback Kendrick Ashion. Ashion's first career interception put W&M in position for its first score of the afternoon and a 7-3 lead.

By halftime, the Tribe had extended its lead to 17-6 against the Dukes. The rushing game of Keen and tailback Derek Fitzgerald combined for 124 yards before the fourth when it recorded 18 points. In this third quarter, the Tribe battled Ohio State, recording a 3-1 victory. W&M trailed in the second half, 1-0, but brought the game to a 1-1 tie when midfield Josh Quinter headed the ball into the net. Quinter's goal caused the game to go into overtime, and forward Dan Zickeloff knocked in the winning goal. Tribe scoring was rounded out by forward Nelson Warley who netted the second overtime goal for W&M.

The second day of competition proved equally rigorous for the Tribe as it concluded its second 3-1 overtime victory of the weekend. Connecticut scored in the first half, but W&M evened the score at 1-1 after Quinter goal. During overtime, the Tribe outplayed the Huskies and recorded two more goals.

W&M traveled to North Carolina over the weekend to compete in the UNC Tournament. It played the College of Charleston Sept. 15 and then faced UNC Sept. 17.

Women's Soccer

The Tribe began its season with two wins against Radford and Old Dominion. W&M competed in the SMU Puma Classic Sept. 8-10, in Dallas, Texas. In the first round, the Tribe fell to Texas A&M, 2-1. The Aggies jumped out to an early 1-0 lead, but Tribe forward Whitney Cali tied the score at 1-1. All-American Natalie Neaton fired off a shot, but her effort was blocked by Aggie goalkeeper Sunny McConnell. The ball bounced out to Cali who rebounded it into the net. Kristen Koop scored the winning goal for Texas A&M when she capitalized on a short-handed Tribe squad, penalized by a red card.

W&M's second game of the tournament ended in a 2-2 draw against South Methodist. SMU took the lead in the first half, but Cali tied the score at 1-1 after intermission. Both teams scored in overtime, but neither was able to come away with the win.

W&M's women's soccer hosted the Tribe Invitational Sept. 16 and 17 at Burksdale Field, where it matched up against Massachusetts and Wisconsin.

Volleyball

During the weekend of Sept. 8, the volleyball team competed in the Maryland Invitational. Unfortunately, the Tribe lost all three of its matches in the tournament.

Its first opponent was Villanova. This proved the best outing for the Tribe as it was able to take the match five games. Villanova pulled out the victory, letting W&M win only the second and fourth games with scores of 15-12, 19-25, 15-9, and 15-5 respectively. In this match, Julie Amberg and Jill Hannah contributed a total of 29 kills. The Tribe continued its weekend action Sept. 9. Maryland beat the Tribe in four games. The Huskies won in three consecutive games.

W&M hosted the Hawaii Classic Sept. 15 and 16 where it played Furman Friday. See W&M SPORTS on 19.
Amicus computer-like rankings

Collisions, injuries, and taunting: IM softball is back in swing

By Neil Lewis

1. Eastern State All Stars (Men's A, 2-0)
2. Legal Briefs (Men's A, 3-0)
3. Carey's Killers (Co-rec, 2-0)
4. Legal Briefs (Co-rec, 2-0)
5. Cunning Litigants (Men's B, 1-1)
6. Bare Knuckles (Co-rec, 1-2)

It was sometime shortly after the underage catcher who was standing on the base (without the ball) was knocked over that I first considered: there are way too many collisions in this softball league. It's softball for crying out loud! These "accidents" happen with disturbing frequency. In fact, later in the same game, 3L Pat "roll the" Dyson took out the first baseman because he was covering the entire bag.

Lest you think (I always wanted to use "llest" to start a paragraph) that these things happen only in the Men's A league, I can assure you that they happen in B and Co-Rec too. In Carey's Killers' first game against the Rubrics (Public Policy team), as unassuming and non-violent a person as there ever was, 3L Dawn "Blame it on the" Rainies, flattened the first baseman who was -- SURPRISE -- covering the entire back with his body (he was kneeling on top of the bag, for crying out loud). I have it on good authority from 3L Eric "Econo" Misnerer that first baseman can't feel the bag with their foot -- as you usually can with real bases and not these paper plate bags (Let's all have a cheer for Virginia's lowest bidder law) -- so their play can be excused some of the time.

What cannot be excused are the collisions and near-collisions that occur because stupid-ass law students and undergrads block the bag without the ball, or fake tags to make people slide (that's funny, bah), or through general recklessness and stupid play.

There are solutions to these problems. Interference is a call which should be used more by the umpires. While student ump deserv deserves our respect and thanks for doing this mostly thankless job, (do you know that they get paid minimum wage?), they need to put more emphasis on player safety. Punish and throw out of games those who would turn a softball game into a rugby scrum. Anyone blocking a bag without the ball or interfering with the runners in any way should get one warning and then be tossed. We don't need them in our game.

The first base problem could be solved easily. The Williamsburg City League uses a double first base system for close plays. "Typical law student," we called her as we laughed about it. How funny would it have been if she had injured herself at first? Not very.

Softball

On a much less serious note, the law school teams have done well against the "externa" (obligatory 90210 reference), going 11-3 to this point. Perennial school powerhouse the Eastern State All Stars (led by 3L Captain Chris Shea "Hey!"") stand alone on top of the rankings with a 2-0 record. The Stars rocked KA in the first game 16-5, led by 3L's Pat "one-name-per-column-plus-please" Dyson and "Ham and Cheese on' Ryan McDougle who each contributed a couple of dingers along with 4-5 RBI. In their second game the Stars kept to their usual formula -- huge first inning followed by three and out -- and barely held on against Sig Pi, 11-9. 1 1/2 John Osborn "again" provided the spark for the Stars stealing three bases (apparently not knowing that it is illegal to steal in softball) and going 3 for 4.

Number two and chomping at the bit are the wet-behind-the-ears, too-young-to-drink, barely-aging-drivers, don't-know-how-to-pronounce-Chownings, one-name-for-two-teams, unimaginative, but they-know-where-the-library-is, 3-0 first year team, Legal Briefs, led by Team Captain and Spiritual leader 1L Steve "Triumph of the" Willmore.

In their first game, the Briefs crushed Rsc Sports Boss "Smokin'" Joe Tighe who was the player of the day & Old team 27-11. The offensive fire power from the team of 1,000 people was provided courtesy of 1L Joe "Smoke that" Keifer, who went 5-3 and scored every time he batted. A tense moment came with the Briefs holding on to a tenacious 16 run lead in the bottom of the last inning. With two on and two out, and with a rally apparently building, 1L "Check." Nate Greene gave up the body for his team and made an incredible diving catch of a drive down the right field line. Special "note to Nate," Hey! You're winning by 16 runs! Let the ball go. The Briefs defeated the Cunning Litigants 11-2 the following week. Things got a bit testy when Briefs fan 1L Danielle "Berri" Berry got upset at the typical Frat taunting and yelled, "Your balls should be as big as your mouths!" We presume she meant softball. 1L Melvin "The Toxic Averter" Williams ably leaped to her defense by throwing his bat (accidentally) through the fraternity bench during his next at-bat. Thankfully, the game was called at that point.

One time champs Carey's Killers, captained by 3L Carey "Obvious" Lee, continued their three year undefeated run over the W&M regular season by defeating the public policy Rubrics in the first week 12-2. Significant performances were turned in by the team's big toe, 3L Wendy "you-can-lead-a-horse-to" Walter, who went two for three, and 3L Dave "I'm back! I'm back!" Dawson who showed he can patrol the outfield with the same panache and style he always had, despite the year on IR.

In the second week, the Killers faced a true test, the 3L co-rec softball team Bare Knuckles, captained by Randy "Central" Sparks. The teams have a long history of hatred and animosity which just added another chapter in this game as Bare's "It's me." Dave Eberly was injured attempting to tag a sliding Shea (Chris, that is). The game highlighted occur when right center fielder and team clown, 3L "Corn" Lewis on the Killers yelled "You got nothing! Sparks!" shortly before Sparks clubbed the ball deep over his head for a home run. When the death threats and vitriol were counted, the Killers escaped with a 13-5 victory.

Is it too hard to stretch your brain for two names? The co-rec Briefs are standing tall at 2-0. Handicapped somewhat by the absence of their player batting order, the team has still defeated the aforementioned (oooh, law word) Rubrics 17-3, and Bare Knuckles 11-6, led by Willmore's 2 home runs and 6 RBI. A titanic matchup will be offered this Tuesday as the Briefs attempt to cover the Killers at 10 p.m. at Busch field. The line is Killers by two.

The sole law school entrant in the B division is the Cunning Litigants, led by shortstop and Shannan 2L Ray "Raya. Squashing their first opponent, the creatively named MBA-B by forfeit, 9-0, the Litigants had to feel encouraged heading into week two. Unfortunately, the team found it much harder going when the opponents actually showed up, and they dropped a tough one to KDP-B, 15-8.

Raya took full blame for the loss, claiming that his many errors led to the demise of the team. 2L Scott "going-up-in" Soak had a good day at the plate in the loss, going 3-4 with three RBI. The #6 team in the law school is Bare Knuckles. What can I really say? QUIT THE SPORT AND GET OUT BEFORE SOMEONE ELSE ON YOUR TEAM GETS HURT! Seriously, although the first two losers were disheartening, after Eberly and his wife, Jen, left to go to the hospital, they had the best games of their lives. Leading off and going 4-5 with a home run was Eberly, while Jen batted second and went 3-5, with some fine catches in the outfield. The team is filled with powerhouse softball marriages and 3Ls Derek and Lynn "Don't-b-a-e" Dickinson contributed clout hits and fine fielding also.

Completely off the rankings is the law school Williamsburg City League Softball team, the Sports-in-Store Sissies (S-1-5, get it?). In the first week, the Sissies swept the Eagles 17-5 and 14-12. An incredible catch in the second game which probably saved it for the team was made by 1L Sean Ducharme "School," who appeared to come from left center all the way over to right field foul territory to make one catch. He covered a lot of ground. In the second week, the Sissies defeated the Grubs 24-7 and 27-3, really putting on an offensive show. I mean, at least I was offended. The Sissies need fans. Every other team has their families out to root them on and we don't have those. Well, Chris does, but he's not sharing. The games are usually at Warfner Park of Tidewater Rd. starting at 6:30 on Tuesdays for the next four weeks. Come on out and root us on and you'll be invited to the end-of-season party which the owner of Sports-in-Store has promised to throw for us, if we can bring home the bacon, fry it up in a pan, and never, never, never let you forget you're a man, cause I'm a... Captains -- More info equals more coverage.

W&M Sports from 18
followed by matches against Penn and St. Mary's Saturday.

Field Hockey

The Tribe raised its record to 3-1 with two wins during the weekend of Sept. 8. W&M surprised Duke, 3-1, under the direction of Shannan 2L Bensdorph. Bensdorph lead the come-back effort against the Blue Devils as she scored three goals in an 11:39 span. Against its second opponent, Southwest Missouri State, Bensdorph helped the Tribe jump ahead as she scored two goals in the first two frames. W&M went on to beat BSMSU, 5-1, Bensdorph's efforts netted her CAA Player of the Week.

Cross Country

Both the women's and men's teams competed in the W&M Open Sept. 8. Six women and 20 men placed in the top-20. The women's team finished with four runners in the top-20. The men's squad did not compete for points but only to access their potential for the season. Both teams competed in the University of Virginia Invitational Sept. 16.
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