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It is terrible to speak well and be wrong.

— Sophocles

# Assembly reconsiders budget

By Trevor Garmey  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

After several weeks of legislative dispute, negotiators for the Virginia House of Delegates and the Virginia Senate agreed March 23 to meet in Richmond to discuss the state budget.

In a letter written March 15 to the leaders of the Virginia Senate, the negotiating team selected by the House invited the Senate to discuss the budget, including the controversial "car tax" cut.

"In an effort to finish the people's business and to do all the things that the two sides agree on, the House conferees would like to get together," the letter, printed in the Richmond Times-Dispatch March 24, said. "In the spirit of finding common ground, we suggest that the entire budget be open for discussion."

News of the negotiations comes amid a flurry of political activity in Richmond. When the General Assembly adjourned Feb. 24, the two houses were unable to reconcile their views on Governor James Gilmore's car tax proposal. Though Virginia's state revenues fell \$421 million short of projections, the Governor insisted that the two houses produce a budget that included a 70 percent reduction in the personal property tax on vehicles.

Though the House of Delegates passed a

budget that included the tax cut, leaders of the Senate, including members of Gilmore's party, were opposed to the reduction. Led by finance committee chairman John Chichester (R, Richmond), the Senate refused to appropriate funds to implement Gilmore's proposal.

Under the Virginia constitution, the state budget must be in balance each fiscal year. As a result of the legislative gridlock, no cuts were made in the state budget to account for the tax

revenue shortfall. Virginia law permits the governor to make unilateral budget cuts if the General Assembly cannot balance the budget.

Gilmore's proposed cuts have caused an uproar in the General Assembly and circles of higher education. His plan calls for a freeze on all discretionary spending for construction projects at all state institutions, a total of \$259 million dollars' worth of uncontracted labor. More than 70 percent of that total was intended to cover construction projects at Virginia's colleges and universities, including over \$31 million appropriated for the renovations of Millington and Rogers Halls at the College.

Members of both houses hoped that the negotiations would produce a budget that did

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## 'CONDOM QUEEN' SPEAKS



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Joycelyn Elders (left) signs copies of her book, "Dr. Joycelyn Elders: From Sharecropper's Daughter to Surgeon General" after her speech Thursday in Phi Beta Kappa Hall. Elders spoke on her experiences as Health Director of Arkansas and Surgeon General.

### ■ Former Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders finished the UCAB Women's Speaker Series with a lecture and book signing

By Jenny Flack  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Joycelyn Elders made an appearance at Phi Beta Kappa Hall last night as the final lecturer in the Women's Speaker Series, hosted by the University Center Activities Board. Elders was the first African-American Surgeon General. She was appointed in 1993 during the Clinton administration and resigned in 1994 because of her controversial stand on sex education.

"I heard that there was some controversy about my being here. But I want to tell you that if there is never any controversy, it's

probably because there's nothing going on," Elders said.

She spoke about her life experiences, including how she grew up in poverty and graduated as the only woman in a class of 100 students at the University of Arkansas Medical School. She went into detail about the problems she faced as the Health Director for the state of Arkansas, and shared the words from her mother that she said helped her keep her faith while visiting poverty-stricken areas across the United States.

"The day you see the truth and cease to speak is the day you begin to die," she said. She added that her mother encouraged her

to be more public and to speak out through addressing communities, and that she carried her mother's words with her when she left her job as the Surgeon General.

"If I could do it all over again ... I would do it the same way, because I knew I did the best I could," Elders said. Currently, Elders is a pediatric endocrinologist at the University of Arkansas Medical Center.

The former Surgeon General told the audience that they have an educational responsibility to be mentors and models for succeeding generations. She also advocated the need

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## Admission letters reduced

By Laura Wherry  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

As the Office of Admissions proceeds in assembling the incoming Class of 2005, precautions are being taken by the College to avoid the complications involved with accommodating an oversized freshman class, witnessed this past fall with the Class of 2004.

This year the College will reduce the number of letters of admission it mails by 100, according to Assistant Provost of Enrollment Karen Cottrell. Last year an unusually high percentage of applicants accepted admission to the College, resulting in the largest class in the school's history and an unexpected shortage of room in freshman dorms.

Faced with the need to create 50 additional housing spaces for the freshman class, Residence Life was forced to modify living arrangements in the Botetourt Complex, increasing the number of occupants in certain rooms and converting the Area Director's office into a quad.

In addition, the number of Monroe Scholars requesting to live in Monroe Hall increased, exceeding the number of occupancies available. Because there were significantly more female Scholars, those unable to gain a space in Monroe were lodged in Barrett. As a form of compensation for their displacement, these women were given access to funds additional to those originally designated for Monroe Scholars.

Cottrell explains that the yield, or percentage of students who accept an offer of admission, varies each year and is impossible to predict. The Admissions Office refers to the number of applicants and acceptances from previous years to form an estimate of the appropriate number of offers of admission for the College. Cottrell says that if the yield holds this year, the reduction in offers will result in about 40 fewer students than last year's class.

"While it's premature to have an exact number, we do predict a smaller class," Cottrell said.

Cottrell stresses that enrollment management is not an exact science, as the overall number of students of the College is constantly changing due to transfers between colleges, study abroad and individual graduation rates. In

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## Activists protest chain's lack of recycled materials

By Sara Brady  
Flat Hat News Editor

Members of Free-the-Planet, an environmental activism group from the College, and activist students from other universities protested in front of the Richmond Road Staples Wednesday afternoon. The protest was part of a national day of action to stop the office supply chain's use of non-recycled materials and paper made with wood from old-growth forests.

Other students from the College traveled to Richmond to join a larger group of protestors. Members of the Coastal Rainforest Coalition and the Rainforest Action Network, among other groups, demonstrated at approximately 100 Staples chain stores nationwide, according to senior Mary Westervelt, co-facilitator of Free-the-Planet.

Senior Elise Reuschenberg and sophomore Joseph Catron joined a group of approximately 30 to 40 demonstrators in Richmond.

Reuschenberg said students from Virginia Commonwealth University and the environmental activist groups Blue Ridge Earth First and the Sierra Club formed the majority of the protestors.

"There was a counter-protest," Reuschenberg said. "About five or six loggers were there. A couple of them listened to us, but the man who was in charge was very angry and I don't think he really understood why we were there, but I guess that's his right, his opinion."

The activism about Staples' policies is not a recent development. Westervelt and junior Anna Forsman were among those who participated in a similar, smaller protest against the Richmond Road Staples in Williamsburg in November.

At the protest last Wednesday, the students staged an "eco-tour" through the store, pointing out which products used recycled materials and



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Members of Free-the-Planet demonstrate on the corner of Richmond Road and Monticello Avenue Wednesday afternoon, waving signs and chanting in protest of Staples' recycling policy.

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# POLICE BEAT

■ Friday, March 23 - Larceny of a wheel lock at the fraternity parking lot was reported. It was valued at \$350.

An incident of vandalism to a vehicle on Harrison Avenue was reported. The cost to repair the damaged remote side mirror was estimated at \$150.

Part of a wheel lock was reported stolen from the W&M Hall parking lot. It was valued at \$150.

An incident of hit and run was reported at the Dillard Complex. There was an estimated \$100 worth of damage.

■ Saturday, March 24 - A non-student was charged with larceny of a bicycle on Richmond Road.

■ Sunday, March 25 - A complaint of annoying and obscene phone calls was reported from Reves Hall.

A student reported the theft of her telephone access card from Small Laboratory.

■ Monday, March 26 - There was an accidental fire reported in Unit K, which resulted in damage estimated to be \$500. The fire was caused by a student burning a candle.

Petty larceny of a bicycle was reported at Brown Hall. The bicycle was valued at \$80.

A textbook, valued at \$80, was reported stolen from Swem Library.

A complaint about objectionable materials on a computer at

Pleasants Hall was investigated.

■ Tuesday, March 27 - A student reported the recovery of a stolen bicycle at W&M Hall.

A student reported receiving harassing email, probably from an off-campus non-student.

Larceny of a wallet and its contents was reported at the Rec Center. The wallet was valued at \$17.

A jacket, valued at \$285, was reported stolen from Lamda Chi Alpha.

Larceny of a book bag and miscellaneous property was reported at Lake Matoaka. The total property stolen was valued at \$285.

■ Wednesday, March 28 - An incident of larceny at the Facilities mechanical shop was reported. The stolen print-hole machine was valued at \$300.

A trespass warning was issued at Brown Hall to a non-student for unwanted solicitation.

A student was injured in a bicycle accident at Morton parking lot. The student was treated at the hospital and released with minor injuries. The driver was cited.

A student was arrested at night for drunken and disorderly conduct. The student was also caught defacing a brick wall with spray paint.

■ Thursday, March 29 - A student was arrested early in the morning on Compton Drive for driving under the influence.

— Compiled by Miles Sexton

# SA examines online election reforms

By Rachel Zoberman  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Voter confidence is the number one concern of the Student Assembly regarding online elections. This was one of many topics covered at the Senate's Wednesday night's election reforms meeting held to brainstorm ideas for improvement.

Student Information Network Director Armistead Booker, a junior, SIN systems director Mike Farahbakhshian, a senior, director of software development Dan Narkiewicz, a senior, and director of content Ian Steplowski, a senior, attended the meeting to respond directly to concerns with online elections.

The SIN team believes that an online election is the most democratic form of voting.

"It is centralized information on a website with a decentralized vote," Farahbakhshian said. "This allows everyone to have a democratic procedure without the pitfall of democracy."

SIN also recognizes that there are some problems with online voting that need to be fixed.

"The only problem is the server is slow. This is a direct response from streaming everything on the net," Narkiewicz said. "This is easily solved. We have the media and the ballots on different computers."

Student Body President-elect Dan Maxey, a junior, said that he is trying to find private funding to increase server capacity.

Former SA presidential candidate Peter Maybarduk, a junior, voiced his concerns with the election process. He said voter confidence is the key issue.

"I don't disagree in any way with the precautions with the environment of the campus ... but everyone here will need to increase student confidence and this will be quite an

effort," Maybarduk said. "We need to look at the procedural problems that get incorporated in online elections. A lot of people from outside didn't feel they knew enough and this applies to online elections."

Senate members agreed that communication is vital to establishing voter confidence with online voting.

"The body [Senate] will have to do a better job of publicizing information. Communication is key at this point," Dheeraj Jagadev, a sophomore and at-large student representative elect, said.

Junior Manish Singla, the Senate Chair, said there is a way to combat the perception that any computer can be hacked. Singla suggested having two information sessions about online elections; one before elections to inform the entire student body, and one at the candidate interest meeting to inform the candidates. According to Singla, it is important to have the ballots online by the interest meeting to allow candidates to see exactly how the system works.

Booker offered another solution to instill voter confidence with honor securities. He has been examining the way other colleges operate online elections and discovered that one school uses double verification to enter the system.

This means that in addition to a social security number, a date of birth, home zip code or mother's maiden name would be needed to log into the program.

Senior Emily Wengert, former Flat Hat Editor, also offered a suggestion. She said there are two types of online voting, one from at-home computers and one from designated booths on campus. She said the latter would help those concerned about security issues.

SA President Laura Keehner, a senior, said she is not in favor of booths because it is not fair for those

who live off campus. Also, it eliminates international students from voting, which is a huge benefit of online voting.

Junior Scott Moore, an at-large representative, urged the Senate to put the integrity of the process above all else.

"We need to put the integrity of the process as our primary goal as opposed to getting numbers [being highly ranked among colleges for the most number of student votes]," Moore said. "We need to get the integrity back and be concerned about what will happen in the future generations and we leave as opposed to what we rank."

The SIN directors urged the Senate to form a SIN-SA committee to discuss issues of concern further. Senate members also discussed the need for other election reforms outside of online elections.

These include holding candidate interest meetings at least a week before candidates must submit their essays.

"We must make sure these ideas are implemented and start working on elections reform for freshmen [elections] in September," Sabrina Grossman, senior class representative, said.

Government professor Clay Clemens attended the election reform meeting to discuss a process called Instant Runoff Voting. IRV is a process that allows voters to rank candidates in order of preference so that in cases where there is no initial majority winner, a runoff recount can be conducted without a new election to determine which candidate is actually preferred by the majority of voters.

At the conclusion of the election reform discussion, members of the budget finance board listened to the appeal from two student groups, the William and Mary Mock Trial Team

and the Class of 2004.

Junior Julieta Valenzona, the president of the Mock Trial Team, represented the team with freshman Brian Cannon, vice president of Finance. Cannon, also president of the Class of 2004, represented his class with class treasurer Nicholas Blonkowski.

The Mock Trial Team said the \$250 they were allotted will not meet their needs, as they need money for tournaments and expansion to form a pre-law society.

The Class of 2004 said the \$1,250 they were given would not be an adequate amount of money for their events, including a class dance, the Power Puff Football Game, Mr. Class of 2004, the Spring Picnic and the Date Auction.

The Senate voted not to increase the budgets of the two groups arguing that the Mock Trial Team could get additional money if needed from the special activities fund. Additionally, they felt the Class of 2004 has an ample amount of money and notes that they did not use all of their funds this past year.

In other news, president-elect Dan Maxey informed the Senate of two letters he sent March 21 to College President Timothy Sullivan.

The following appeared in one of Maxey's letters:

"Even as an informed and involved student, I feel that the dialogue between the student body and the administration is inexcusably weak. It was this notion that led to the development of my lead platform point during the campaign period."

"The William and Mary administration must report to the student body its progress in improving student quality of life and experience and must also take responsibility and answer questions posed by various factions of students on campus."

Maxey also urged the President to continue working on solutions to remedy the lack of parking on campus. He also discussed the growing need for pedestrian safety, specifically on Campus Drive.

Mark Constantine, assistant vice president for student affairs, attended Wednesday's meeting.

**We must make sure these ideas are implemented ... for freshmen [elections] in September.**

— Sabrina Grossman, Class of '01

## BUDGET

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not drastically reduce the funding available to the College and other public universities in the state. Though Gilmore remains adamant that the 70 percent car tax reduction should become a legislative reality this year, members of the House have recently indicated a willingness to compromise.

"We would consider a 60 percent cut this year," said Del. James H. Dillard II (R, Fairfax) in an article published March 23 by the Williamsburg Daily Press. "Then, if the economy meets administration estimates this year, we would send out refunds totaling an additional 10 percent later."

If a compromise is reached, the two houses would then submit their revised budget to the Governor.

## LECTURE NOTES

■ Lisa Fau Nappi will be featured at a lunch colloquium sponsored by the Institute of Bill of Rights Law. Nappi was a member of the Chinese student movement during the Tiananmen Square protests in 1989. The colloquium will be at the Law School Monday from noon to 1:30 p.m. Nappi's talk is titled "An Introduction to Falun Gong and Human Rights in China."

■ Professor Olga Palagria of the University of Athens, Greece, will lecture on "West Pediment of the Parthenon," at 4:30 p.m. Monday. The lecture will take place in Andrews Hall 101, and is free and open to the public. Palagria is a scholar of international reputation and has authored numerous books

on Greek archaeology.

■ Alton Frye, a Council on Foreign Relations executive, will lecture on "Humanitarian Intervention: Good Intentions Are Never Enough" April 9 at the Reves Room in the Reves Center for International Studies. The lecture begins at 4:00 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

■ General Anthony Zinni, U.S. Marine Corps (retired), former commander in chief of the U.S. Central Command and senior adviser at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, will give a public lecture April 6 at 4 p.m. in the University Center. The lecture is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the Reves Center.

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# Sharpe program seeks humanitarian freshmen

By Kim Lufkin  
Flat Hat Asst. News Editor

The Sharpe Community Partnership Program, a new program to integrate learning in the classroom, the community and residence halls, hopes to expand the College's commitment to public service while expanding the experiences of freshmen, according to Vice President for Student Affairs Sam Sadler.

Beginning next semester, the College plans to admit approximately 120 incoming freshmen into the Sharpe Program. Participants will live in residence halls in the Botetourt Complex, and will enroll in a related academic course that will be accompanied by a one-credit weekly section meeting.

According to Sadler, these section meetings will provide students with the opportunity for smaller group discussions and the development of a project to be implemented during the participants' freshman year. The meetings will also be supplemented with larger public

forums involving speakers, panels and films.

Students will also be expected to participate in three to four hours of community service per week, focusing on health care, education, housing and local government.

The first academic course offered for Sharpe students will be Economics 101, taught by Professor Clyde Haulman. According to Haulman, the larger lecture class will develop examples and problems dealing with economic theories and practices, while the smaller section meetings will give students the opportunity to relate these larger ideas to a particular issue.

"During their first semester, students will be learning about local issues and agencies, and by the end of the semester, we hope they will have developed a plan for a project that will help these local agencies," Haulman said. "The basic thrust will still be an introduction to microeconomics, the only difference will be that the problems and examples will be skewed

towards examples that Sharpe students are dealing with."

In the weekly section meetings, students will be given the opportunity to study a particular aspect of one theme and how it relates to the local community. These groups will also be linked with local organizations, called Sharpe Partners. According to Sadler, the partnership with local organizations will bring a new perspective to the students' academic and volunteer experiences.

"The local agencies will be able to work with students in new ways, particularly in making students' volunteer work a learning experience," Sadler said. "We want to have the agencies working with students in the development of their projects because these projects need to meet authentic community needs. We want these organizations to be partners with the students, both in examining the experience of volunteering, and in the development of their projects and bringing them to fruition."

The Sharpe Program will also give

upperclassmen the opportunity to become involved in the development of community service projects. Called Sharpe Fellows, these students will participate with one of the eight weekly section meetings, and will provide links and support for Sharpe students, according to Haulman.

Sadler adds that once these eight Fellows have been selected, they will receive special training dealing with the development of Sharpe projects, and will work closely with the Residence Life Staff in the Botetourt Complex. Sharpe Fellows will also be provided with a stipend of \$500 a semester.

"The Sharpe Fellows will be extremely crucial because they will have experience with the community, and be able to provide links and support for the students in the program," Haulman said. "We're not at the point of dealing specifically with what their roles will be because that depends on the skills and strengths they bring, but they will play an important part in the program."

The program is named for the late Robert F. Sharpe and his wife, Jane A. Sharpe, whose grants provide funding for the program and for a professorship in civic renewal and social responsibility. Sharpe was also the founder of the National Planned Giving Institute, a training program for fund-raising officers that Robert J. Sharpe & Company gave to the College in 1993. Revenues from the institute provide funding for the initiatives.

Sadler said he expects the Sharpe program to be extremely popular even in its first year, which will begin with the incoming class of 2005.

"Any problems we will have will be a crisis of success," Sadler said. "I think that we will have more people interested in the program than we have space for."

Sadler also said he expects the program to integrate the College with the local community in new ways.

"What we're hoping to accomplish is to use the power of what takes place out of class, the experience of living in



PHOTO COURTESY • Sam Sadler  
Robert Sharpe

Philanthropist

residence halls as well as community service and link them together," he said. "We hope students will come to understand the links between the many different ways in which we learn. We want them to use out of class experiences to enhance in the in-class learning experience, and to emphasize what the College can bring to the community."

## New Bookstore opens in CW

By Sara Brady  
Flat Hat News Editor

The new College Bookstore, operated by Barnes & Noble Booksellers, opened Monday, March 26 in the building formerly occupied by Casey's Department Store. The move from 106 Jamestown Rd. to 345 Duke of Gloucester St. brought the Bookstore's retail space up to 34,000 square feet, a three-fold increase.

The Bookstore will hold its public grand opening event Saturday, April 21, with a special grand opening event specifically for the student body, the date of which will be announced later.

The larger Bookstore space includes a 150-seat cafe that serves Starbucks coffee, baked goods and lunch foods. The dorm supply and art supply sections are a carryover from the old Bookstore. New features include large DVD and music collections, a selection of approximately 125,000 trade book titles and a children's section.

The textbook section of the Bookstore is located in the basement, as it was in the previous facility.

"Textbook [supply] will be run exactly the same," Erin McLeod, community relations coordinator, said. "We will be able to provide the same services as before. Since we are the College's Bookstore, students can still pre-order their textbooks and pick them up packaged, as they were able to before."

Sophomore Chris Pierce, an employee from the old facility, spent his spring break in Williamsburg helping move shelving and supplies. He notes many improvements in the new facility.

"There's lots more merchandise, bigger selection, with the music and



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The textbook section resides in the basement of the new College Bookstore, where students will find the same layout as in the old location.

the cafe and whatnot," Pierce said. "There's a huge difference from the old store."

The Bookstore plans to offer a number of community events with their expanded space. According to McLeod, the Bookstore will continue its tradition of hosting faculty book signings, but will offer more author visits, live entertainment from local musicians in the cafe and weekly story tellings in the children's section.

Steve Haigh, the manager of the Campus Shop, did not express worry over the Bookstore's proximity. "We're hoping that they're [the Bookstore is] going to bring more people down to Merchants' Square, which should be good for everybody," he said. "It will help bring students down here [to Colonial Williamsburg]."

The Bookstore offers a selection of College memorabilia and green and gold clothing similar to the Campus Shop's selection.

"They have a large selection, and I don't know that we'll have more than they do, but we hope to increase what we do have now, and offer more and different types of products," Haigh said.

The Campus Shop is presently in the process of doubling its floor space by expanding into the recently vacated Colonial 1-Hour Photo location next door. Haigh said that the expansion had been planned for some time and the fact that it happened almost simultaneously with the Bookstore's expansion and relocation was a coincidence.

"We've always wanted to expand, and we would have expanded even if the Bookstore wasn't moving down here," Haigh said. "The space became available when Colonial 1-Hour closed down. It just happened that the Bookstore was moving. We probably would have expanded a year ago if Colonial 1-Hour had closed then."

## Violence erupts in Macedonia

By Dheeraj Jagadev  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

There was a renewed threat of conflict in the Balkans after fighting broke out between ethnic Albanian rebels and Macedonian troops. The conflict flared up in the past month after Macedonian security forces discovered that ethnic Albanian guerrillas were occupying Tetovo, a town in northwest Macedonia bordering Kosovo. Tetovo is a NATO-controlled province of Serbia, the dominant republic of Yugoslavia.

Using helicopter gunships, tanks and artillery, Macedonian security forces launched an attack on the ethnic Albanian guerrillas. The guerrillas say they are fighting for greater rights and recognition for Macedonia's ethnic Albanians - who make up at least a quarter of the population of two million - and accuse the government of discrimination. But the government says the rebels are separatists seeking to split away northern Macedonia to create an independent state with mostly ethnic Albanian Kosovars. About 30,000 people had left the area in recent weeks to avoid the fighting and fled to Kosovo.

Macedonian forces fired for the first time on suspected guerrilla positions inside Kosovo, which is patrolled by a NATO-led peacekeeping force, last week. The Macedonian army pounded the positions because it suspected the guerrillas were preparing a cross-border attack on Macedonian forces. This has brought out fears of a wider,

## World Beat

- **AREA:** Northwestern Macedonia
- **PLAYERS:** Ethnic Albanian guerrillas and Macedonian security forces
- **HISTORY:** The long-standing antagonism between nationalistic ethnic Albanian rebels and the Macedonian government once again erupted in violence over disputed lands.
- **CURRENT SITUATION:** Rebels fled north to Kosovo last week; the UN still urges caution in negotiating peace.
- **OUTLOOK:** Ethnic Albanians, the largest minority in Macedonia, demand changes in the national constitution concerning official bilingualism and affirmative action.



regional conflict.

NATO officials and diplomats are trying to broker a lasting peace deal between the rebels and the Macedonian government. They are encouraging the Macedonian government to give political concessions to the ethnic Albanian community, which comprises about a third of Macedonia's population.

At the beginning of this week, the rebels, claiming a strategic retreat, abandoned their positions in Macedonia and joined the refugees fleeing to Kosovo. This move has been seen as a victory for the Macedonian government's position that the rebels represented an extremist fringe of the ethnic Albanian populace in Macedonia.

While the government claimed

victory, diplomats urged it to bank its military gains and turn immediately to political changes that will undercut the ability of extremists to exploit the grievances of the ethnic Albanian minority. Macedonian security forces launched another operation against ethnic Albanian rebels in a last effort to rout the guerrillas before political talks begin.

On the political front, ethnic Albanians want to revise the constitution to remove what they see as exclusionary references to the country as a state of Macedonians. Their goals include a commitment to official bilingualism, the decentralization of power and a greater employment of ethnic Albanians in state organizations, including security agencies.

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order to establish an ideal environment, the overall size of the College is considered in the management of enrollment, she said.

Letters of acceptance are mailed towards the first of April. Residence Life Director Deb Boykin said students should mail back their completed roommate questionnaires by May 20.

"When we get the exact numbers, then it becomes a challenge for us. Once the students have accepted and sent in their deposits, then it's our challenge, making them all fit in the space we have on-campus," Boykin said.

Currently, Residence Life is occupied with the large number of students bumped in the Housing Lottery. Boykin says that the office predicted there would be more room deposits this year due to the larger freshman class, resulting in a decrease in available rooms on-campus.

"Typically we are able to accommodate everyone that wishes to live on-campus," Boykin said. "Bump students are our priority and we will continue to work with them even through the sum-

mer if necessary, keeping them updated on any available openings on-campus."

According to Boykin, it is the Board of Visitors' expectation that the College should house 75 to 80 percent of its students.

Residence Life has just signed a contract with a master pre-planning firm to plan the construction of 300 to 400 housing spaces on the main campus. The location of the construction has yet to be determined. The aim of creating this additional housing is to replace the Dillard Complex and enable all students to have access to on-campus housing. The idea is part of President Sullivan's 2010 Initiative and will ideally maintain the residential quality of campus, Boykin explains.

Additionally, Monroe Scholar housing will expand to Hunt Hall next year to accommodate the increase in the number of Scholars who desire to live in Monroe Hall. The Charles Center selected Hunt Hall for its location on Old Campus, its co-ed status and the number of lounges available for students to use for programs and study areas. The number of Scholars will be split proportionately between the two dorms.

With a 30 percent increase in applicants to the College, admissions are

increasingly competitive, particularly for out-of-state applicants. The Office of Admissions must enforce the ratio set by the College of 65 percent in-state and 35 percent out-of-state students, despite the majority of increase in the number of applications being from outside Virginia.

"The College has always been committed to maintaining this balance; 65 percent [of in-state students] has traditionally been William and Mary's posture and is endorsed as a commitment by the Board of Visitors," Cottrell said.

Cottrell believes the increase in applicants may be attributed to the College's academic reputation and relatively low tuition in comparison to other universities.

"As technology has expanded, the college-going students and their families have become more sophisticated and knowledgeable in their college search. They are less influenced by the empty marketing that existed five or ten years ago," Cottrell said. "Families are looking at the value of an educational dollar and William and Mary is going to win every single time. There is no question of the quality of education here and the value of your money. People understand that education is an investment."

### Earn money being involved at William and Mary

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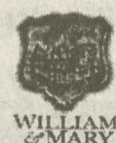
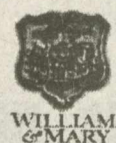
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Get an application at the University Center main office (#1-3433) or apply online at:

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Apply soon!

Interviews will be conducted the first two weeks of April



Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Sunday, April 1. Spring forward so you don't miss the writers' meeting at 5:30 in the Campus Center basement.

## BEYOND THE 'BURG

### ■ SUPREME COURT DEBATES MARIJUANA

The Federal Government is urging the Supreme Court to rule against the use of marijuana as a prescription drug. The Court's ruling, expected by June, would in all probability settle whether patients could receive marijuana as a "medical necessity" even though it is an illegal drug under federal law. Several justices seemed skeptical of the use of marijuana as medicine argument in general, and of the medical-necessity defense used by marijuana distributors in court.

This defense argues that a person's need for the drug overrides the law against it. If that is so, Justice Antonin Scalia said, that the person receiving the marijuana should be an actual patient, not the companies organized to dispense or sell drugs.

The White House is also opposed to the legalization of marijuana, including for medicinal purposes, according to White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

The case deals specifically with the Oakland Cannabis Buyers Cooperative, which was sued by the Clinton Administration in 1998 for breaking federal drug law by distributing, and in some cases growing, marijuana for medical use.

A ruling by the Supreme Court for the Buyers' Cooperative would allow special marijuana clubs to resume distributing the drug in California, which passed one of the nation's first medical marijuana laws in 1996.

A ruling by the federal government would not negate the California voter initiative, but would effectively prevent clubs like Oakland's from distributing the drug. It would also mean that the government could prosecute distributors in federal court, regardless of whether states have approved medical marijuana use. That would force providers underground or out of business altogether, advocates of medical marijuana say.

### ■ US SEEKS DEATH PENALTY FOR HANSSEN

Attorney General John D. Ashcroft this week said that the government may seek the death penalty against Robert P. Hanssen, the veteran FBI agent accused of spy-

ing for communist Moscow.

The FBI alleges that Hanssen told Moscow in 1985 that two KGB officers working for the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., were secretly working for the United States. Both men, Sergei Motorin and Valery Martynov, were subsequently executed.

Hanssen's alleged betrayal, however, took place nine years before Congress passed a law providing for capital punishment for an individual who divulges the identity of a U.S. agent to a foreign country, causing that agent's death.

Defense lawyers for Hanssen, therefore, could argue that the death penalty would violate the ex post facto clause of the Constitution, which prohibits the application of laws retroactively.

The application of the death penalty in this case, legal experts say, may be intended to pressure Hanssen into cooperation with the FBI. In most espionage cases, the government has agreed to a reduced sentence in return for a guilty plea and cooperation in assessing damage from the spying.

### ■ RESEARCHERS DOUBT "CRACK BABY" THEORY

Infants and toddlers whose mothers used crack or cocaine during pregnancy don't seem to have brain abnormalities or developmental problems attributable to the drug, according to a new analysis of research done over the past decade.

Although the study disputes the stereotype of the "crack baby," it does not absolve the drug of any damaging effect during pregnancy, or declare it safe for use by expectant mothers.

The researchers concluded that many developmental abnormalities attributed to cocaine exposure can be explained by other factors, in whole or in part, including prenatal exposure to tobacco, marijuana or alcohol, and the quality of the child's environment.

Many of the women involved in the study used other drugs during pregnancy, including tobacco and alcohol, and many had other risk factors for delivering unhealthy babies, including poor diet, lack of prenatal care and poverty.

With so many variables, discerning cocaine's contribution to bad outcomes has been difficult. By looking at all the factors together to determine a trend, however, the researchers found that cocaine had no lasting effect on physical growth, cognitive abilities or language and motor skills. Children exposed to cocaine seemed to have no clear-cut behavioral problems.

— Compiled by Kim Lufkin

## SIN creators get results at OU

By Lisa St. Martin  
Flat Hat Managing Editor

With a 39 percent total voter turnout for this year's Student Assembly online elections, the College may actually hold the national record for highest voter turnout percentage on a college campus. This past week Oklahoma University attempted to beat this record with their first online student government elections.

Students at OU were able to vote through the Sooner Information Network, which is similar to the Student Information Network here at the College. College alumnus Pitou Devgon, '00 one of the Student Information Network's original designers, helped to launch the Sooners' network in August 2000. He modeled the site after the Student Information Network.

"It's the exact same setup with what William and Mary has done, just on a grander scale," junior Armistead Booker, director of the Student Information Network, said.

Dennis Abersold, the former associate provost of Information Technology

at the College, and OU's current head of information technology, hired Devgon and Dave Leichtman, another 2000 alumnus who worked on the Student Information Network at the College, to create a similar network.

Devgon and Leichtman had some experience holding online elections from their involvement at the College. Both worked last year holding the College's first online elections.

Elections at OU were successful, according to Devgon. A total of 6,969 students voted online for the student government officials. Devgon said that they were originally shooting for a 50 percent turnout over two days. They fell short of their goal, as only 35 percent of the student body logged in and voted.

"We [OU] were shooting for a 50 percent to break your [the College's] record," Devgon said.

While they may not hold the nation's record for largest voter percentage, they may have the record for the largest number of voters participating in an online election on a college campus.

"We had more voters than you have

students enrolled at the College," Devgon said.

According to Devgon, he wanted to be placed in the Guinness Book of World Records. He was informed Thursday that the category was too specific to have a world record designation.

Devgon also inquired about a record for online voting in general but found out that a legally binding online presidential primary election in Arizona had a voter turnout of 14,000.

Prior to OU's elections, Booker informed Devgon of the problems that the College had with their most recent Student Assembly online elections. However, the warnings were unnecessary, since they had very little to do with problems within the network.

"The problems at William and Mary were all administration problems, they weren't technical problems," Devgon said. "They just made us triple check things. Everything worked out smoothly."

The Sooner Information Network can be found at [sin.ou.edu](http://sin.ou.edu) and information on their student government elections can be found at [elections.ou.edu](http://elections.ou.edu).

## ACTIVISTS

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which were specifically from old-growth forests.

Old-growth forests include the first of the Pacific Northwest, which can be up to 1,000 years old. "Virgin" refers to supplies that contain no previously used, or "post-consumer," material.

After being asked to leave the store by sales manager Jim Moore, the students observed a moment of silence, according to Westervelt, "to quietly commemorate the lost trees that make our lives possible."

They proceeded to march around the parking lot along Richmond Road and Monticello Avenue, wearing green headresses resembling trees, carrying signs and chanting "Hey Staples, what do you say, how many trees have you killed today?"

According to the Shenandoah Ecosystems Defense Group, one of the environmental groups involved in the Richmond protest, 97 percent of the paper products that Staples sells contain no recycled materials. Additionally, as one of the largest corporate suppliers of office products, Staples buys a portion of its products from International Paper and other suppliers that use old-growth forests and virgin trees in their processing.

Moore said Staples already stocks many products that are made partially or wholly from recycled materials. "We carry over 1,000 recycled products currently," he said.

Moore said he did not believe that the protestors would have an immediate effect on the operation of the Richmond Road store.

"At this point, everybody has their opinions, and they're certainly entitled to their opinions," he said. "They [the protestors] might have some small effect."

Westervelt feels that the demands of the groups are not too much to ask for.

"We just want Staples to adopt a few simple practices, including carrying 100 percent recycled paper, and stop using virgin forest paper, specifically old-growth paper," Westervelt said. "Also, to move towards environmentally friendly paper-making practices, such as not using chlorine in the paper bleaching process, which is unnecessary and causes a lot of environmental problems."

Lisa Krehbiel, a Williamsburg resident who was shopping when the protest began, said that the information provided by the demonstrators would probably make her less likely to shop there again.



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Senior Mary Westervelt (left) and others dress as trees for Wednesday's protest at Staples.

"I only come here when I actually have to anyway," Krehbiel said.

Reuschberg felt the protest was a success because of the attention it attracted from the community surrounding the store.

"I think it went well with the community," she said. "The people seemed interested in what we had to say, even though our message was more for Tom Stemberg [the CEO of Staples]. We hoped that he'd see these actions across the country and know that the people wanted more recycled products."

The public relations department of the Staples Corporate Center did not return phone calls and declined to be interviewed for this article.

Are you looking for an on-campus roommate  
for next year?

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the Office of Residence Life

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#### NOMINATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Application deadline for the President's Awards for Service to the Community is fast approaching! Nominate a peer or faculty/staff member by April 6. Stop by OSVS for a nomination form or call Drew Stelljes at x3263.

#### NEWSLETTER EDITOR

The Office of Student Volunteer Services is seeking applications for the Editor of *At Your Service*, our in-house newsletter. The Editor position is a 10 hours/week paid position. Applications are available in OSVS. Stop by OSVS for more information.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE LEADERS

Join other enthusiastic students who are dedicated to encouraging and coordinating service initiatives for students. Applications are now available for 2001-2002 academic year. Visit our web site for more information about the positions. [www.wm.edu/OSA/activ/service](http://www.wm.edu/OSA/activ/service)

#### SERVICE LEADERS CORPS

Apply now for the Service Leaders Corps. The class is intended to unite leaders in service organizations and establish a stronger network of students with similar interests. It is intended to facilitate discussion on seeking leadership positions as a vehicle for a positive social change. This group will meet each Wednesday from 3:30-5:30 during the fall semester. Each week the group discusses a different topic related to service and leadership. For information call Drew Stelljes at 221-3263.

#### ALAN BUKZIN MEMORIAL BONE MARROW DRIVE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

Support one of the College's largest service events. Testing to enter the National Marrow Donor Registry will be held in the UC all day on Wednesday, April 18. To cover the cost of the test several fund-raising events will happen prior to Drive Day. On Tuesday, April 10 come join the campus for the first ever Faculty and Staff Talent Show. Go Fish, one of the Bone Marrow Drive's favorite games, will start on Tuesday, April 12 and go through until the end of Wednesday, April 18. In addition, the annual showing of the cult classic, Princess Bride will be held on Monday, April 16.

## CONDOM

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for people to be aware of larger issues.

"We are the only industrialized nation in the world that does not offer universal access to health care for all of our people," she said. "We've got the best doctors, the best nurses, the best hospitals, but we rank number 39 behind other industrialized countries in terms of our health care system, which was rated by the World Health Organization."

She said that education is important,

and that sexual education creates social awareness in an individual, two of the points she stressed as Surgeon General. She joked about how she did not mind being called the "condom queen," so long as youths in America were educated about teenage pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases.

Elders said that the U.S. government had a moral and economic obligation to respond to the AIDS crisis in Africa. She continued to speak about the AIDS epidemic and how it has affected communities in the United States.

"In our nation's capital it is 160 per 100,000," Elders said about the cases of people affected with AIDS.

Elders said that Americans, unlike citizens of other industrialized nations, avoid the issue of teenage pregnancies.

"They talk to their children, whereas what we do is we hide in the closet and hope that it go away. We've got to educate our children," Elders said.

She continued to speak on the drug problem in the United States, saying that \$35,000 is spent each year for a single person incarcerated for illegal drugs. She said that studying the problem could lead to more options.

"Sixty percent are there because of drug use ... we could probably almost send them to William and Mary."

Throughout her speech, Elders emphasized the need to educate the rest of the world, starting with childhood education.

Senior Kate Bowerman, co-coordinator of the Feminist Student Organization agreed.

"I think that Joycelyn Elders was right on target about the importance of educating people so that they have the knowledge to make their own choices about their wealth and their lives," Bowerman said.

Other students were also pleased with Elders' speech.

"She was more moderate than I had expected and it seemed to me that her opinions were based on a goal of public health," senior Scott Uzzle said. "Part of it was looking at the realities in the world and not so much upon an ideology."

However, Elders was still surrounded by controversy at the end of the night. Among the topics she covered during her speech was her idea of money spent on programs to prevent diseases and pregnancies in other countries.

"I don't believe that we should use our taxpayers' money to pay for abortions abroad," senior Annaka Begley said. "I think that we have enough problems in our own country."



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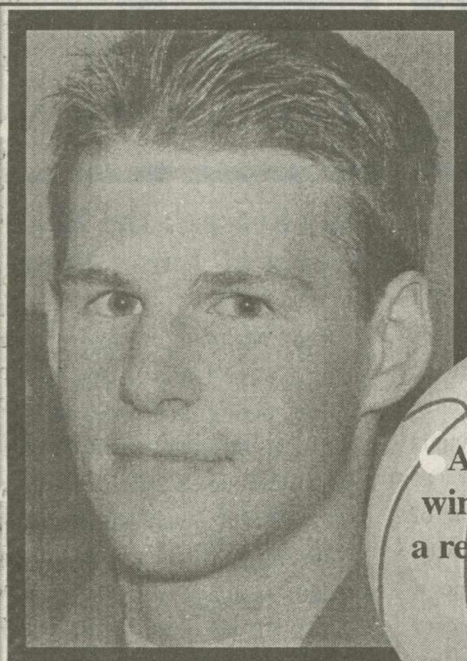
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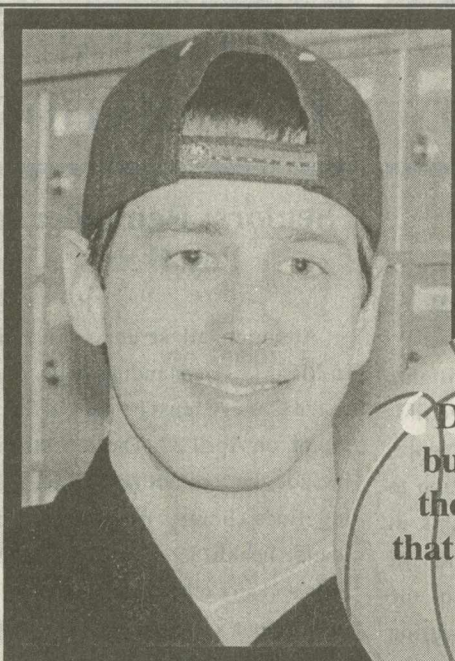
Which team do you think is going to win the NCAA tournament?

— Survey and photos by Jeb Stenhouse



Arizona is going to win because they have a really fast back court.

— David Gross, Sophomore



Duke is overrated, but it's only because they're the best. And that's why they're going to win.

— Mike Svestka, Freshman



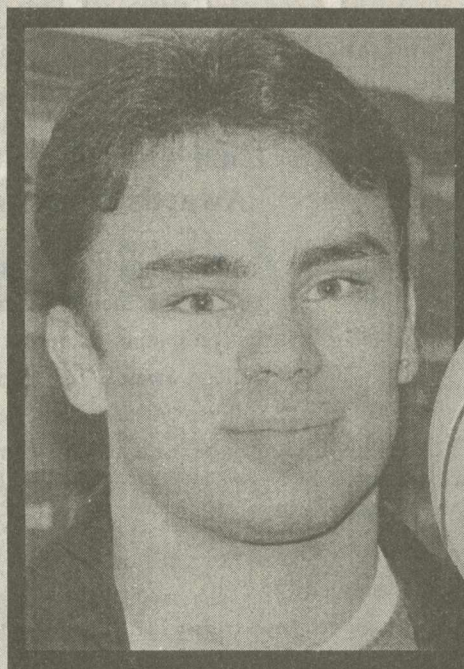
Duke? Whatev! I'm definitely all about Arizona.

— Becky Williams, Junior



Duke is going to win because I have money on them.

— Shemeka Hankins, Freshman



A lot of the other top teams are out, so of the teams left, I think Duke has the best chance.

— Josh Hughes, Junior

## Become a Sharpe Program Fellow!

Next semester, the College will inaugurate a **new program** for freshmen. The Sharpe Community Partnership Program is a residential initiative that will extend William and Mary's long-standing tradition of public and community service. Students who participate will live in Sharpe affiliated residence halls, enroll in program-sponsored seminars, participate in public forums, and work together on community projects – all as a way of encouraging first year students to explore issues in our national life and to become directly involved with these issues through public service.

**We are currently accepting applications for Sharpe Fellows whose creative ideas and energy will shape the future of this new program.** We invite undergraduate and graduate students to apply for the position. Sharpe Fellows will help facilitate a broad range of program activities. They will work closely with our community partners to coordinate public service projects, help plan public forums, and collaborate with faculty members and resident assistants to promote the integration of students' in and out-of-class experiences. Fellows are expected to make a yearlong commitment to the program and receive a stipend of \$500/ semester.

Information about the Sharpe Community Partnership Program and about applying to become a Sharpe Fellow is available on the Web at: <http://www.wm.edu/OSA/sharpe.html>

If you have further questions please call Heather Woodcock Ayres: 221-2495  
Applications will be accepted through **Friday, April 9, 2001.**

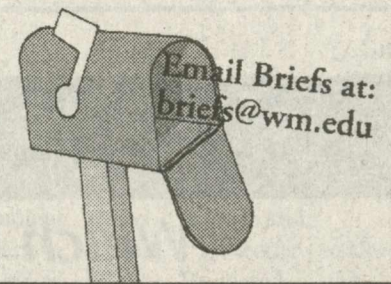
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— Edited by Laura Terry

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Swem Self-Checkout Contest

Help Swem Library win \$1,000! On April 2, as part of National Library Week, the 3M Company is sponsoring Check-it-Out Yourself Day.

If 100 people use the Swem Library's fast, convenient self-checkout machine, the library may win \$1,000.

Self-checkout is easy to use. Just scan your library card, then slide each book through a barcode reader. Step-by-step directions appear on the screen, and library staff are always available to help.

So stop by Swem Library on April 2, try our self-checkout machine, and help win money for your library! For more information, please call the Swem Library's Circulation Department at x3072.

### Graduate and Professional Studies Awards

Presented for the first time at Commencement 2000, the Thatcher Prize for Excellence in Graduate and Professional Study is intended to recognize an outstanding student from among those completing advanced degrees in arts and sciences, education, marine science, business administration or law.

The winner will be selected on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership and service. The aim is to find a well-rounded graduate or professional student reflecting each of these qualities while embodying the values of the College.

Please submit all nominations and supporting materials to Campus Center 219 by April 6.

### Foreign Affairs Scholarship

The government department is accepting applications for the Koenig-Nimmo foreign service scholarship. This award is given each year to a senior from any concentration who hopes to pursue a career in foreign services with any government agency.

The recipient will be selected on the basis of commitment to foreign service, academic excellence, leadership qualities and interest in promoting international understanding. The award will be approximately \$1,500.

Applications are available in the government department office, which is located in room 10 of Morton Hall. The application deadline is April 2.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Fall Registration

Registration for graduate students in the School of Education will take place June 4 to 29. Students should contact the registrar of their department or school for detailed information.

Registration for undergraduate students will take place from April 2 to 7. There will be a course adjustment period April 16 to 18.

The fall 2001 schedule of classes is now available on WORCS. The printed version of the schedule has been distributed to current students. Additional copies are available in Blow Hall.

### Commencement Tickets

Commencement tickets for all graduating seniors as well as for graduate students in Arts and Sciences, Business, Law and Education will be available from the Student Affairs Office, located in Campus Center room 219, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning April 18.

Each degree candidate is entitled to 5 guest tickets if they are picked up by 5 p.m. April 27. In order to pick up tickets you must show a photo ID.

The size of this year's graduating class makes it clear that we will not be able to provide any graduate with more than the allocated five guest tickets.

VIMS graduate students should pick up tickets from Sue Presson in the Graduate Studies Office at VIMS.

### "Mission Possible" Award

Nominations are welcome for the second annual "Mission Possible" award. The award recognizes individuals, student organizations, community groups and businesses that represent the best practices in alcohol abuse prevention. Examples of the best practices in alcohol abuse prevention include: alcohol-free programming, alcohol risk management education, early intervention services, awareness campaigns, donation of materials for programs and attendance at educational programs. The award is sponsored by the Alcohol and Other Substance Task Force. Call the office of substance abuse education at x3631 for more information or for an application.

### Apply for UC, Campus Center Jobs

Applications are now available for 2001-02 positions with the University Center and Campus Centers. Applications are being accepted for student supervisors, A-V technicians, information desk assistants, candy desk cashiers, Lodge 1 supervisors and set crew staff. Interested students can pick up an application at the UC main office or apply online at [www.wm.edu/OSA/centers/unemploymentapp.htm](http://www.wm.edu/OSA/centers/unemploymentapp.htm).

Apply soon. Interviews will be held the first two weeks of April. Please contact the UC main office at x3433 for more information or email Darin Eich at [djeich@wm.edu](mailto:djeich@wm.edu).

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Falun Gong and Human Rights in China Colloquium

The Institute of Bill of Rights Law is sponsoring a luncheon colloquium featuring Lisa Fan Nappi. Nappi's topic is "An Introduction to Falun Gong and Human Rights in China." Nappi, a practitioner of Falun Gong, was a member of the Chinese student movement during the Tiananmen Square protests in 1989.

The colloquium will be held April 2 from 12 to 1:30 p.m. at the Law School. For more information contact Melody Nichols at x3810.

### Carr Cup and Sullivan Awards Nominations

The Committee on Prizes and Awards will meet in April to select the recipients of the two major College awards, the Carr Cup and Sullivan Awards. Nominations for may be made by any member of the College community. Criteria for the awards are as follows: The Carr Cup is "awarded on the basis of character, scholarship and leadership. The aim is to find a well-rounded student, having a good standing in all three of these respects, and with carrying a spirit of willingness to sacrifice and give oneself to a cause."

The Sullivan Awards are given annually "to not more than one man and one woman in the graduating class and to one other person who has a close relationship to the College. In the selection of the recipients, nothing is considered except the possession of characteristics of heart, mind and conduct as evince a spirit of love for helpfulness to other men and women." Please submit all nominations and supporting materials to the Vice President of Student Affairs Office (Campus Center 219) by April 6.

### Public Policy Scholarship Offered

The Center for Public Policy Research is offering a \$2,500 research fellowship in public policy plus free housing for a 10 week period during the summer.

The summer researcher's responsibilities will likely include all aspects of grant and contract work, including developing proposals, performing research and analysis, writing portions of policy research reports and presenting material orally to Center staff and clients.

To be eligible for this position, you must be a rising junior or senior in good academic standing, be willing to work 40 hours per week and demonstrate an interest in public policy.

Applications can be picked up at the Center for Public Policy Research (141 Morton Hall), The Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy (140 Morton Hall), Career Services and the Charles Center (basement of Tucker Hall). Submit application materials to Kelly Metcalf-Meese, associate director of the Division of Policy Research, in the Center for Public Policy Research Office or to The Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy in 140 Morton Hall. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on April 6.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Seniors: Reminder to Pay Debts

Attention all seniors graduating in May: all outstanding debts owed to the College must be paid in full by 5 p.m. on April 27. These debts may include, but are not limited to, parking fines, library fines, emergency loans, health fees, past-due phone bills and any other balances owed on our student account.

Diplomas and transcripts may be held until all outstanding debts have been resolved. If you have any questions regarding the status of your student account, please contact Pam Owen in the Bursar's Office at x3977.

### Spring Hours and Luncheons with the President

Mark your calendars for luncheons and hours with the president!

College President Timothy Sullivan has reserved April 10 between 4 and 5 p.m. for 10-minute meetings.

President Sullivan has reserved a luncheon date for noon April 4 for any interested four-year roommates.

To sign up for a meeting time or luncheon, please contact Joyce Kirby at x1258 or e-mail [jkirby@wm.edu](mailto:jkirby@wm.edu).

### 2001 Prizes and Awards

In 1987 the Student Association established an award to honor well-rounded graduating students — both undergraduate and graduate — of the College who best exemplify a liberal arts education through their activities and studies. Recipients of the Benjamin Stoddert Ewell Award will receive a certificate at the Spring Awards Reception and will be listed on the awards sheet at graduation.

Candidates for the award must be full or part-time students with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 who completed their degree in December 2000 or who are expected to graduate in May or August 2001. Up to 40 recipients will be selected and nominations may be made by anyone in the community.

If you know of a student who deserves this award, please forward the name(s) to the Student Affairs Office, located in Campus Center 219, by April 6. You may also call the office at x1236.

In 1979, the senior class and the SA established an award in memory of John Kratzer, a former captain of the basketball team who had displayed incredible courage and determination in facing a long and debilitating illness.

The award has only been given on six occasions since it was established. It is presented on those occasions when there is a member of the graduating class who demonstrates unusual courage, self-sacrifice, leadership and spirit.

If you know anyone in this year's graduating class who has overcome adversity and exhibited the above qualities please send a letter of nomination to W. Samuel Sadler, Vice President for Student Affairs, Campus Center 219 by April 6.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Benefit Concert

Join Nu Kappa Epsilon, Phi Mu Alpha and Delta Omicron as they support the restoration of a historic piano! The 1816 piano was once owned by Lady Jane Skipwith and is the same model and year as Beethoven's piano. Restoration of such a historic instrument is costly, so these groups ask for your support at the "Save Our Skipwith" concert. The concert will feature the talents of College students and faculty and will be held at 7 p.m. April 4 in Ewell Recital Hall. Admission is \$2; additional donations are welcome.

### Tangelo Student Art Show

The Tangelo Student Art Show will be held in Andrews Gallery April 2 to 20. Students, faculty and guests are invited to the show's opening reception on April 2 at 6 p.m. in the gallery. For more information, contact the Tangelo Fine Arts Society at [finart@wm.edu](mailto:finart@wm.edu).

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Spy Secrets: the Real World of James Bond

Keith Melton, CIA advisor and author of "The Ultimate Spy Book" will be giving his only college appearance this year, April 12 at 8 p.m. in Washington 201.

His talk will include the first public unveiling of an assortment of authentic espionage devices.

Melton is the owner of the "most secret museum" in the world and has been featured on shows such as "Inside the CIA" and "Spy-Tek."

His private museum's website, produced by the Discovery Channel, is [www.discovery.com/stories/history/spyschool/museum](http://www.discovery.com/stories/history/spyschool/museum) and is the location of the largest collection of espionage gadgets in the world.

Melton is coming by special invitation only. Don't miss out on this chance to uncover the real world of espionage!

Come join us or you'll never know what you're missing!

This event is sponsored by Golden Key and UCAB.

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## Our view SWAN SONG

Although May 13 is the key date in most seniors' heads right now, for the past year I've been thinking about March 23. That day was my last as editor of The Flat Hat. Our staff makes jokes about "selling your soul" when students join the paper, and it's half true. Nonetheless, an amazing staff of 18 dedicated people gave up more than 7,000 hours over the course of 25 weeks. My job and work would have meant nothing without them there to share in the fun.

Moving up from managing editor to take my place is the industrious and very skilled Rob Margetta, whose refreshing vision and wonderful sense of humor will make him a great leader for his own 25 issues. It has been a joy to work with such a talented and selfless person this past year.

Variety editor Lisa St. Martin will have no problem filling Rob's very large shoes as managing editor. Her pleasant leadership will make the rest of the staff's job easier, and she'll be sure to continue her tradition started in Variety, "ever to please and never to offend."

Dan Miller, my executive editor, will continue excelling at his job under the new leadership, although his title will change to associate editor. With a longstanding love of journalism and the printed word, Dan will strengthen the paper in the coming year.

Moving on to bigger and better things are Ambi Biggs, who is graduating in May, and Jen Cardellicchio, who will be sure to make some local kids happy when she becomes a student teacher. Both Ambi and Jen worked countless hours on News, our most difficult section, to create pages filled with journalistically responsible, well-presented stories.

Reviews editor Sara Brady will be taking on the mammoth task of making the news section. Her attention to detail and strong reporting in the past will smooth her path, as will her new assistant, Kim Lufkin, who has been a mainstay for the News section as a reporter for the past year.

Sports gurus Theresa Barbadoro and James Schafer translated their love of athletics onto paper every week. Both of these fun-loving sports editors are leaving, although their expertise will still be available next year as seniors. Stepping in is the ever upbeat Laura Terry, who is the former briefs editor, with the quiet, hardworking Megan Syrett, who has covered women's track this year, as her assistant.

Variety hopes to continue its recent tradition of innovative and experimental layouts under the charge of Belle Penaranda. Her patience and enthusiasm as assistant Variety editor for the past year will translate well to the editor's position. Calendar editor Lindsay Moroney, who truly has a way with words, will back Belle up as her assistant.

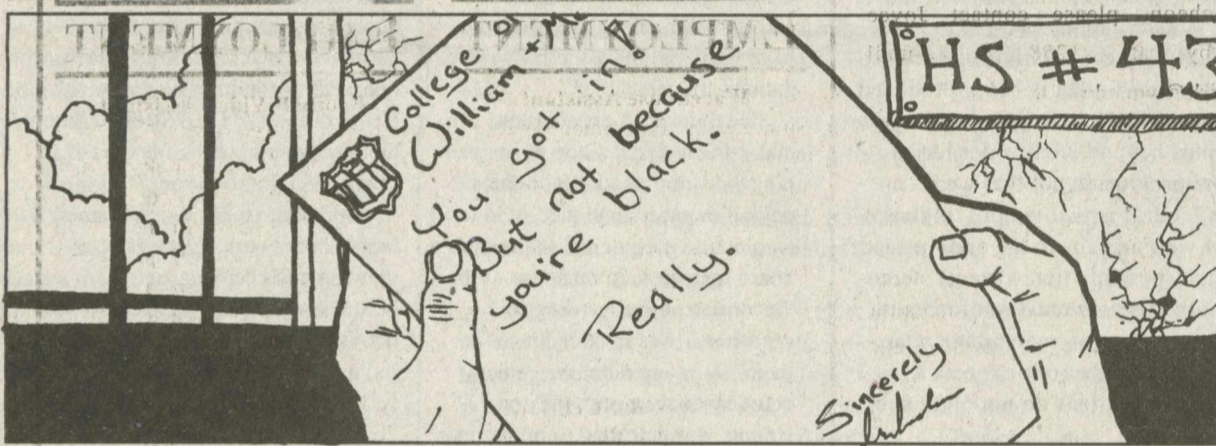
The Reviews section will benefit from the high energy of Amanda Murray and true dedication of William Clemens. Together, they will make a strong team of co-editors for next year. They are sure to take the section in new directions.

Sticking with what they do best, Kim Eavenson and Kelley Kaufman will remain at Opinions. They just can't wait to see if they beat this year's record for Letters to the Editor (set the week of the Henry Kissinger controversy).

Copy editor Jessica Cordes, whose late-night editing saved us from printing a myriad of embarrassing mistakes, is already making post-graduation plans for life away from Williamsburg.

As much as I love the brick paths, the loiterers in front of Tucker and the boxwood bushes around the President's House, there is no part of this campus I'll miss more than the newspaper and its staff. Their sense of humor and dedication to the quality of the final product made the long production hours some of the best I've spent at the College.

—Emily Wengert,  
Outgoing Flat Hat Editor



## Don't change affirmative action

I still remember that day as though it was yesterday. When I saw the fat envelope with the College's address, I knew instantly. I had been accepted to my first choice: the College of William and Mary. I had worried for weeks,

thinking my grades and SAT scores would not cut it.

**MONIQUE BLAMO** Granted, I did very well in high school and my SAT scores were respectable. However, I knew the type of students that attend the College and I knew I would have some strong competition, especially since I was an out-of-state student.

After I got over my initial shock, I joked, "They must have needed more black students." That thought once again entered my mind when a white acquaintance of my mother's later told me that her daughter did not get into the College. I did not know if race played a part in my admission. Actually, I really don't care because I'm here now.

However, just in case it was a factor when I applied, I made it known that I was a black applicant. I'm sure that many black students at predominately white schools wonder whether their race played a role in their admission. However, black students admitted to the University of Michigan's Law School in the future will not have to wonder.

On March 27, 2001 United States District Judge Bernard Friedman ruled that Michigan's Law School policy, which considered a student's race as part of the admissions process, was unconstitutional. Race can no longer be a factor for consideration. The case started when Barbara Grutter was denied admission in 1997. She says she was denied because she is white. According to the school, race is only one of many factors that they consider for admissions and it is legal for them to do so, because the 1978 United States Supreme Court Bakke case ruling allows for race to be a factor in admissions, although setting quotas is illegal.

I am totally against the judge's ruling and I completely support the school. Affirmative action (which is what this case is really about) basically levels the playing field for minorities and all women when it comes to business and education. They are given equal opportunity to compete for placement.

First of all, for anyone to say affirmative action is unnecessary, they must truly believe race is no longer a significant factor in America. For those who are against affirmative action, I'm sorry to be the one to tell you, but

you must face reality. Race has an effect on where you live, where you go to school, where you work and what doors are open to you.

Face it. America is a racist country. As of now, affirmative action seems to be the only solution to balance out the playing field for minorities — all minorities. For all you white people that are against affirmative action, you are against equal opportunities for your white mothers, sisters, wives and daughters. What many people fail to realize is that affirmative action is for anyone who isn't a white male. Many times it can even apply to anyone who isn't a white, straight male.

Before I accept the demise of affirmative action in schools, a few things in America's education system have to change. First, all public schools would have to be equal. Everyone knows they are not. During my first semester freshman year, I wondered how in the hell I got into the College almost every day.

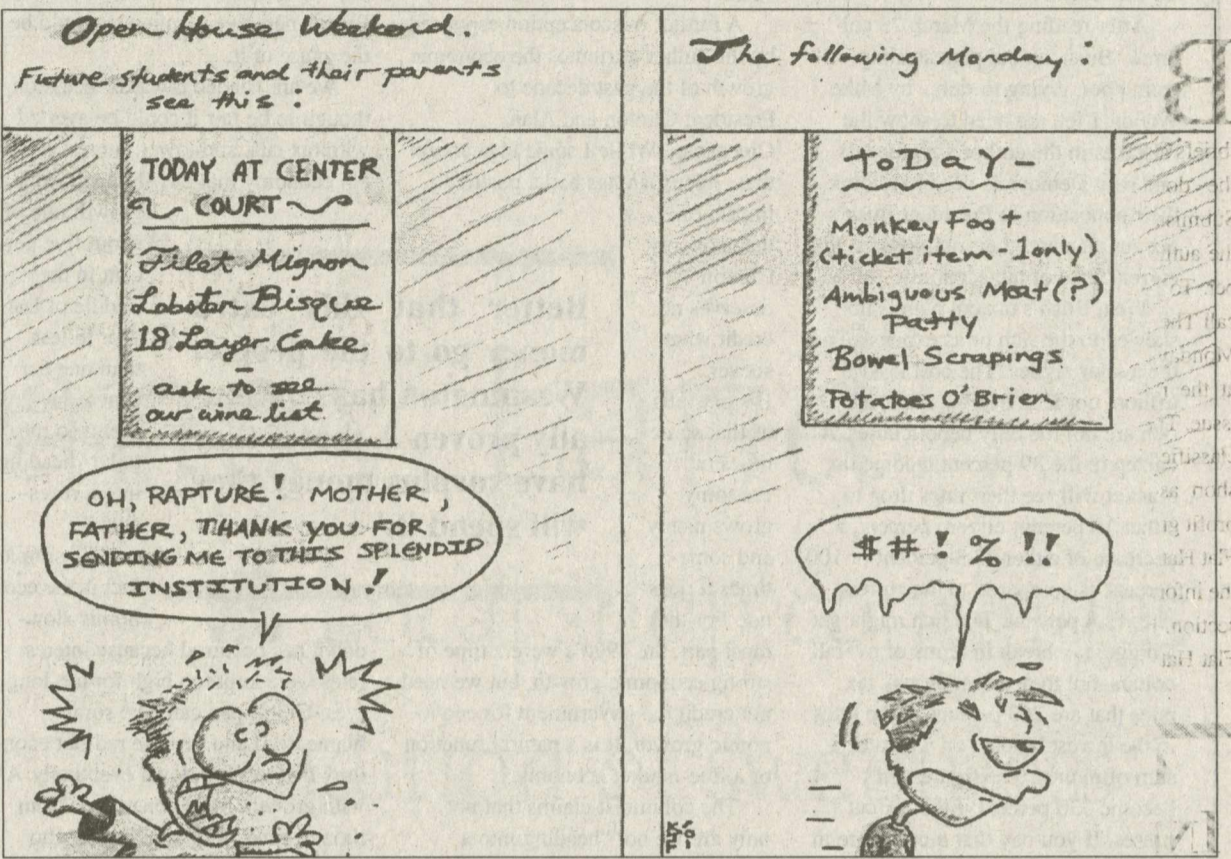
It was very obvious to me that I was unprepared for some of the courses. Whereas many of my classmates took everything from AP Art to AP Geology, my high school only offered AP English. While my hallmates talked of having laptop computers with Internet access in their classrooms, the only computers that existed at my school were the ones that we used in our typing classes. I hardly knew about the Internet until I came to the College. I only hope, for future generations that end up at predominately white colleges, that my high school has made changes.

Is it my fault that my predominately black city did not have the same resources for its schools as predominately white towns in my state? No, it isn't. So why do we force every college-bound high school student to take the same standardized test when we obviously do not go through the same preparation?

Instead of getting rid of affirmative action in education, we need to get rid of the SAT. How can 13 years of education (kindergarten included) be summed up in one test? Everyone's 13 years of education are not the same. Because of social and economic factors, many minorities do not have the same opportunity to receive the same education as whites.

With affirmative action, America is at least going in the right direction by attempting to counterbalance the injustices minorities have experienced in education. One must

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## New bookstore improves on old

We all know that construction at the College takes longer than it should, but some things are worth the wait. Among these projects is the



**KIMBERLY EAVENSON**

new College Bookstore located in Colonial Williamsburg. I was wandering around the other day, trying to avoid my homework, when I noticed that the Bookstore had finally opened. I decided to run in, just to see what it looked like. I took one step in and was astonished. I was faced with aisle upon aisle of books, stairs to a second level and all of the College apparel one could imagine.

I started walking through the store and became even more amazed. The new bookstore has everything that the old bookstore did, plus some. The College apparel section is significantly larger than that of the old store and the amount of non-academic books has nearly doubled. Furthermore, the look of the store is much more professional and elegant — obviously catering more to the public than the old one, but this makes for a more charming place for students. Just when I thought I couldn't be

any more impressed with this new store, I went upstairs. There I was presented with an entire children's book room, a DVD/CD store, a dorm furnishings section and last, but not least, a cafe.

The only disappointing part of my trip to the Bookstore was my experience in what I have affectionately renamed "The Dungeon." This would be where the students are supposed to buy their textbooks. It isn't really

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marked, so I had to ask one of the employees where to find it. I was directed to a set of stairs located between the doors at the back of the store. As I approached the stairs, I knew that this section would not be the same as the rest of the store. While the interior stairs had wooden railings that fitted the rest of the store's decor, these stairs were just like those you would find in a high school.

I entered the textbook room and was dismayed to find that very little had changed: it had the same old shelves with the same setup, just a little more room. The lights hanging from the ceiling created a rather dismal effect. I will say that the information desk down there was wonderful, but it looked out of place.

I swear, all it needs is a moat and it would make a perfect dungeon. You can definitely tell that the priority of the new bookstore is to appeal more to the public than just the students, otherwise they would have attempted to make our textbook-buying process as painless as possible, even if that means making the storeroom a little happier.

Other than that, however, I have no qualms with the new bookstore. In fact, I am very impressed. The staff is wonderful and very helpful. They make themselves easily available to customers — always a good thing for a store.

As sad as I was to see Rizzoli's Bookstore go, I am very glad to see that the William and Mary Bookstore retained some of the quaintness of Rizzoli's and combined it with the expansive collection that Barnes and Noble has to offer.

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Letters to the Editor

Bush tax cut not just targeted at rich

**To the Editor:**  
After reading the March 23 column, "Bush tax cut plan stealing from poor, giving to rich," by Mike Woods, I felt the need to show the mistakes in the author's arguments and why Democrats need to rethink their opposition to President Bush's tax cut plan and their opinions on the current state of the economy.

First, Bush's tax cut plan is not skewed to the rich or as expensive as the author argues. The cost is \$1.6 trillion, not \$3.2 trillion. Also, the rich are not the only beneficiaries. A citizen in the 39 percent income tax bracket will see their rates drop to either 10 percent or zero percent, a decrease of either 33.3 percent or 100 percent as compared to the current rate, 15.4 percent. The rich might get a bigger tax break in terms of overall dollars, but they currently pay tax rates that are 260 percent of the rates in the lowest bracket on a greater sum of money. The figure will become 330 percent if the tax cut passes. If you pay that much more in taxes, you should get more money

back.  
A further misconception espoused by the author attributes the economic growth of the past decade to President Clinton and Alan Greenspan. While I somewhat accept that Greenspan has had a positive impact on the economy, Clinton deserves no credit whatsoever. History tells us that sometimes our economy grows nicely and sometimes it does not. For the most part, the 1990's were a time of strong economic growth, but we need not credit the government for economic growth. It is a natural function of a free-market economy.

The columnist claims that not only are we not "heading into a recession" as President Bush claims,

but that if there were a recession, Bush's negative comments would be the cause of it.

We are headed towards recession, though to be fair it could be averted with tax cuts and lower interest rates. An economy that has slumped from a growth rate of about five percent in the middle of last year to less than one percent today seems to me to be "heading into a recession."

The simple fact is the economic slowdown has occurred because interest rates were kept too high for too long (yes, Greenspan can take some blame, too) and that the red-hot economy had to slow down eventually. As with growth, recessions occur from time to time. To blame Bush, who has only been in office for about two

months, for a slowdown that began before the election, is unfair.

Finally, the author argues, "Republicans ... hate the possibility that the government could have extra money on hand."

Unfortunately, the author fails to realize that if the surpluses were kept in Washington, greedy politicians, especially big-government Democrats, would spend the surpluses as fast as they could. Better that this extra money go to the people; Washington has continually proven, especially given their spending sprees of the past few years, that if they have surplus money they will spend it.

A government surplus means that the American people were charged too much in taxes. The only reason we have surpluses right now is because the economy grew faster than anyone expected it would. If the government doesn't spend the money, citizens can to the benefit of the economy.

— Michael Leedom,  
Class of '04

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Election article misleads readers

**To The Editor:**

I was deeply concerned with the accuracy and fairness of the article, "IR elections contested," in the March 16 issue of the Flat Hat. The article was a one-sided view of the debate within the club concerning elections. The author's prejudice on this story is apparent right from the opening sentence, in which she states: "International Relations club members are contesting their election for president and vice-president for campus affairs due to unfair election processes."

I, having been a correspondent to the Virginian-Pilot for three years, know that one should always refer to allegations that have not been proven (or disproven) as "alleged" events in a story, unless it is an opinion piece.

The reporter continued on in the piece to present the points of contention, which are still being disputed, as facts. In the second paragraph, she reports: "... there were 13 non-dues-paying people who voted, and a vast inconsistency in time allotment for speeches." Actually, if the reporter had bothered to interview the elections official (the club president), she would have uncovered that these two allegations are debatable.

Speaking with the elections official, I learned that some of the people who were listed as non-dues paying members had paid in kind — a courtesy extended to the club's board members. In response to the "inconsistency" regarding the speeches, I was in attendance for them. In my opinion, the same courtesy concerning time constraints was extended to both presidential candidates. I also question where the reporter got her informa-

tion from concerning the number of dues-paying members who signed the petition.

The article stated that: "approximately half of the dues-paying members have signed a petition to have a re-election." Who or what was the source? The petition was introduced March 13. This story ran on March 16. Only about 40 club members were in attendance at the meeting that week. So, did the writer call the Psychic Friends to get these lucky numbers? (Editor's Note: Rachel Zoebman obtained these figures from junior Sherafgan Mehboob, one of the IR club presidential candidates protesting the election.)

Not only was the figure fabricated, the actual number of signatories was nowhere near half of the club's membership. A news story should present facts, not a reporter's interpretation of the facts.

My final protest is to the fact that she failed to interview any of the people involved in this debate. She quoted people's speeches from the two open forum discussions, and in at least one case, without their permission. Not only did she quote these people without their permission, she represented at least one of their statements incorrectly. Never did junior Beth Stronge state that "non-dues paying members made other contributions."

Journalism takes a lot of preliminary "homework," such as interviewing and checking sources before reaching the finished product. It is obvious that the reporter did not do her "homework" properly. For this article, she receives an "F."

— Kareema Mitchell,  
Class of '01

Rant on vegetarianism too extreme

**To the Editor:**

I am writing in response to Meagan English's March 23 column entitled "Being Vegetarian." In this article, the columnist is upset that vegetarians seem to be stereotyped as ranting extremists, but to defend herself she launches into an extremist rant. In doing so, the columnist does nothing to improve the public image of vegetarianism.

After reading this article, I spoke to some of my friends and we determined that, of the vegetarians we knew, one or two were vegetarians for religious reasons, others were vegetarians for health or taste reasons and the rest were mysteries. Of the unknowns, none had any particular righteous indignation about animal rights or meat eating; one was even involved in animal experimentation. Certainly they have all had "something important to say" at various times, but never the agenda described by the columnist.

One of the reasons for this is that the author's two-part statement is not a universal truth. The first section, on the morality of meat eating, is philosophically arguable; the second section, on the socio-economic costs of meat eating is incorrect. The columnist would like us to believe that placing humans above animals on a distinct hierarchy is morally bankrupt. She then goes on to condemn any hierarchy as lacking moral authority, as in the past humans have made bad distinctions within themselves. The author has argued that we

have in our past treated humans like we treat animals now; if we make animals equal to humans, will our treatment of all living things be better or worse?

More galling to my sensibilities is the section on the consequences of meat eating. I am to believe meat eating "directly contributes to the destruction of our environment and will end up producing many negative consequences for peo-

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ple throughout the world," in such ways as "deforestation, water pollution, global warming, decreased biological diversity on a massive scale, and it exacerbates world hunger."

Although these are claimed to be "facts supported by scientific research," I am easily able to provide counter-examples.

Certainly, the production of meat does cause deforestation through the cutting of forests for

farms. It is also true that many meat producers are responsible for water pollution. However, any farming, even for vegetables and grains, requires clear land. If that land is not already clear, a forest will have to be cut down.

Vegetable farming can also cause water pollution through pesticide runoff and topsoil erosion. It is misleading to state that cattle farming is that much more responsible for these problems. As for global warming, if we all were a little less attached to using fossil fuel-based transportation systems, it wouldn't be such a problem. Los Angeles probably contributes more hydrocarbons than all the livestock in the US. As for the destruction of biological diversity, many human actions, from suburban sprawl to drift net fishing, also contribute, with cattle nowhere near a determining factor.

Finally, world hunger is only "exacerbated" by meat production if meat is being produced instead of grain. The United States has a gigantic grain surplus beyond what is not fed to livestock. The problem is not that we do not have enough food; it is that we fail to give food to those who need it. In the end, instead of breaking the (possibly nonexistent) stereotype she abhors, the columnist reinforces it. Perhaps her statements of vegetarianism are spoken in such a way that one expects a screed. Calmer vegetarians do not elicit such a response.

— Benjamin J. Cooper,  
Class of '01

Civil rights need changing

Former Chinese government prisoner Harry Woo spoke on March 20 of the human rights violations in communist China. Deemed a "counter-revolutionist rightist," Woo worked in forced labor camps for 20 years before his release. He now resides in the United States. At the close of his speech, Woo cited what he thought were the three worst human rights violations in his native land: forced labor, the transplantation of organs of executed Chinese prisoners and forced abortion and sterilization.

Woo did not fail to move a single listener. Yet the frightening thought is that Woo's chilling message applies to America as well.

America is debating the use of fetal stem cells and experimentation on aborted fetuses. Some politicians, like former President Clinton, support government funding for stem cell research. People can "shop" for baby parts online. How does this differ from the medical use

of Chinese prisoners? It doesn't.

In China, as Woo related, it is illegal to be pregnant without a certificate. After the birth of a son, the woman must be sterilized. (The Chinese are nice enough, though, to permit a second child if the first was a girl.) In other words, a Chinese couple must plan every child and always consider what the government might do if they consummate their love.

Former Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders spoke at the College March 29. Elders once stated that her goal is "to have every child born in United States planned." If your baby brother or sister was conceived unexpectedly, then, according to Elders and the Chinese, that is a bad thing.

I am not accusing Elders or anyone else of being a communist. I just want the students of the College to realize that to change the civil rights around the world, he or she must fix his own country first.

John Williams is a guest columnist. His views do not necessarily represent those of The Flat Hat.

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not forget that even if race is considered a factor for admission, all minority applicants are not going to be admitted just because of their race. They will still be competing against each other. Also, race is not the only factor considered.

When race is a factor in admissions, the fact that minorities have been unjustifiably discriminated against in the past is being recognized and the attempt to correct it is in progress.

I know many of you are still advocates of removing race for the admissions process. Fine. When you remove race for this admissions application, how about removing the ques-

tion: Do you have a relative who attended school here? Better yet, remove the part where they ask for your name and replace it with a number. Why? Because both questions let the admissions officer know if the applicant is related to anyone who attended the university or donated money. Once that is known, no one can tell me that person will not receive special treatment.

The ironic issue about Michigan's Law School case is that, in December, a judge ruled that the policy of using race in deciding admission in Michigan's undergraduate program was constitutional. He said it was a practice of giving an edge to African Americans, Hispanic Americans and Native Americans. In both his and my opinion, that is the same as giving preferential treatment to children of alumni, scholarship athletes and oth-

ers. What's the difference?


Personally, I see Michigan's ruling, California's Proposition 209 and other reversals of affirmative action policies as being another way in which racist whites in the government keep blacks and other minorities down. If they were truly for equality, they would try to fix the imbalances that occur in America's corporations and educational institutions.

I cannot say it better than filmmaker Michael Moore. He once said that the only way we can say we live in an equal society, where affirmative action is unnecessary, is if every white person can truthfully say they would willingly trade places with a person of color, no questions or hesitation. Any volunteers?

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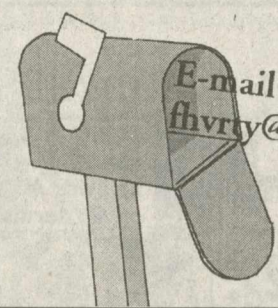
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# VARIETY

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For psych hopefuls: try to stay sane

Every year, about 200 misguided second-semester sophomores profess their undying love of psychology to the Office of Academic

**LORI PALEN** Advising. Before you plunge in, be forewarned: being a psychology major will probably drive you crazy. I should know.

Freshman year was a cakewalk. Among other things, I learned about Freud and ran a little cognitive experiment on my classmates. I walked around blissfully thinking that just three more years of this and I would be an optimally balanced individual. I'd be prepared with training that would allow me to help other people through life's little ups and downs. Ha.

In my case, the dysfunctional onslaught began with abnormal psychology in the fall of my sophomore year. Suddenly the personal issues that everyone felt the need to dump on me were indicative of a need for medication. I was ending every conversation (including the mundane "So how was your break?" ones) with a plea for the person to make an appointment with the Counseling Center.

Plus, during the section on projective assessment, I would look at the way I drew stick figures (or, more precisely, big-eyed people with four fingers on each hand and no eyebrows) and wonder exactly how long I had before I was confined to a padded cell and being force-fed baby food.

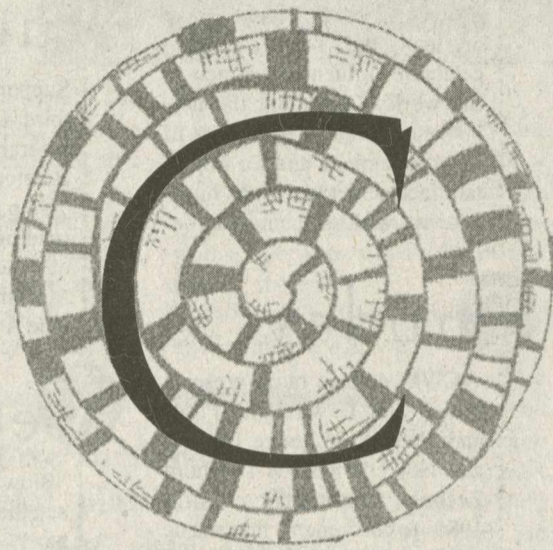
Then I moved on to developmental psychology. Essentially, in that class, you learn that all the issues that make you and your friends psychotic developed in utero or while you were still wearing Huggies. This leads to a host of completely logical conclusions, among which is that if you are pregnant and happen to get near anyone that has ever done so much as touch an unopened pack of cigarettes, you're surely going to have kids with brains the size of chickpeas.

The only solace that can be found in this whole discovery is that you can alleviate stress by blaming every problem you have in life on your parents. "But, Mom, it's your fault that I failed out of school. You didn't buy me a pony when I was five, and now I don't work toward anything because I'm constantly trying to overcome the fact that I feel so utterly unsupported."

Then there's social psychology. This is, ironically, the point at which you stop having friends. In group meetings all you do is bitch about the fact that working together completely reduces any chance you have of achieving something approaching efficiency. Meanwhile, one group member is importing Power Point slides while the other is using a thesaurus to come up with synonyms for "jackass" to use

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## Welcome to



By Jenni Brewer

# Candy Land

Local shop continues tradition of sweetness

It's like a scene out of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory": a child in the corner broods over gummy bears and jelly beans. Another gawks at the chocolate concoctions displayed in glass cases, while yet another bobs up and down for a closer look at the caramel apples being dipped by workers.

With countless mouth-watering choices, Wythe Candy and Gourmet Shop seems like a utopia for anyone with a sweet tooth.

"We have an amazing selection of candy and sweets. Everyone seems to like the variety we offer," employee and College sophomore Sara Johnson said.

For roughly 30 years Wythe, located in Merchant's Square, has provided Colonial Williamsburg visitors and College students with goodies.

As soon as customers walk through the door the sweet aroma of chocolate lures them in to shop for a while. And this doesn't just apply to children. The crowd also includes a number of tourists and College students.

"Sometimes I'll go window shopping around Merchant's Square with no intention of buying anything, but I always end up getting something every time I go into Wythe. It's irresistible," sophomore Brooke Sauer said.

According to manager Michael Dorton, one of the first responses customers have when they pass through the store is a feeling of surprise.

"We offer so many items and merchandise in the store that it's initially an overwhelming experience for the customer," Dorton said.

The shop carries the top 100 most popular sweets around the country, according to Dorton. These range from peanut butter patties, chocolate-covered strawberries and chocolate walnut fudge to Jelly Bellies, sour patch kids and licorice sticks. According to Dorton, however, most customers favor sinking their teeth into pecan delites (chocolate clumps of caramel and pecans).

Johnson added that the pint-sized customers usually

dive for the sugar.

"The kids definitely go for the giant jaw breakers, sour candies, rock candies ... anything with lots of sugar," Johnson said.

Wythe carries more than just sugary candies, though. Items such as gourmet jellies, wines and cookies are located in the back of the store.

As if name brands were not enough, Wythe prides itself on making specialty items, such as marshmallow pops, chocolate pretzel rods, and elaborately decorated caramel apples.

"While we bring in our seasonal items and other merchandise from other manufacturers, we make some of our items here at the store ... they're popular with the customers," Dorton said.

Throughout the store are delicious reminders that, despite the nasty winds and bitter morning chills, spring has arrived in Williamsburg. Hollowed chocolate Easter bunnies, giant pastel eggs and chocolate carrots pack the shop's shelves.

The shop remains busy throughout the year, but is especially hectic during the spring, when school field trips start to visit the area more frequently.

"We see many students around this time of year," Dorton said. "We rely on tourists since a great majority of our customers are here to visit Colonial Williamsburg."

The aromatic lure of Wythe has also tempted celebrities. Recently, actor Richard Thomas, who played John Boy on the '70s series "The Waltons," visited the shop, according to Dorton. Also, around Christmas time Patricia

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Specialty items, such as candy-covered apples are some of the most popular items in the shop. Students at the College are especially fond of the store.



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Wythe Candy and Gourmet Shop, located in Merchant's Square, carries the top 100 most popular sweets in the country, including cherry bombs, rice crispy treats and chocolate covered Oreos.

## Warming coffee and hearts

By LaShundra Bryson

There are a few special people who you meet that change the way you look at life. Beverly Burns, an employee at the Aramark Starbucks in the Swem Library study lounge, is one of those rare people.

Burns is well known around campus for her friendly service and sincere disposition. She is also modest. When approached about this story, she responded with disbelief.

"Why me? There are so many other people around campus who do so much more," Burns said.

For her, smiles and a positive attitude are a way of life. Therefore, she doesn't believe that her personal charm is unique. However, ask most students at the study lounge, and they'll beg to differ. They feel that her personality is a nice break from the hustle and bustle of daily life.

"She [Burns] asks about your day, makes conversation and always takes the time to smile at you," junior Teal Wisniewski said.

According to Burns, that's just how she treats people. "If you treat students with kindness, they're patient," she said, recounting one of the many things she has learned in life.

She was born in Johnstown, Pa. in 1937. She lived there until she was married in 1958 and moved to Scranton, Pa. One day, after all six of her children were out of the house, her son, Daniel, called and told her



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For the past three years, Beverly Burns has brightened students' days while serving coffee at Swem Library.

about a job she might be interested in. He lived in Richmond and knew about a job with Starbucks here at the college. She applied, and has worked here for the past three years.

Her favorite part of the job is the students. She says that she learns from them.

"I learn their opinions about the world, life and everyday things," she said.

As for her least favorite part of the job, she doesn't have one, saying that she "wouldn't be here if [she] didn't enjoy it."

In fact, Burns is so comfortable at work that she didn't even mind juggling serving coffee and doing an interview at the same time. Stress doesn't seem to affect her the way it affects most people. According to her, age helps her deal with stress.

"It's taken me this long to get this way, my oldest son is 41," she said.

In fact the only time she remembers being stressed out was when she had four children in college at the same time. Now after raising six children and seeing seven grandchildren born, she says that she has gained the experience to take life one day at a time.

"I'm one person and that's it. There's only so much I can do at one time," Burns said.

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## FSO rallies for safe campus

Group plans week-long event to educate students about dangers of sexual assault

By James F. Cahoon  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Ever wish you could have witnessed the societal uproar of the '70s or taken part in the marches and demonstrations?

While Sexual Assault Awareness Week, which takes place April 2-6 and organized by the Feminist Student Organization, does not present a rebellious or seriously controversial topic, it relates a message first advocated in the mid-'70s via rallies and marches.

In the tradition of the movement, the week-long annual event, which has the primary goal of educating the community about sexual assault, culminates in the Take Back the Night rally and march on Friday in the Sunken Gardens.

"Take Back the Night has a history going back to the mid-1970s. It's the first time the topic [sexual assault] became less taboo. About 1978, it became an annual event done at a lot of college campuses in late March and early April," FSO co-coordinator Kate Bowerman, a junior, said.

The central purpose of the events is to advocate the idea that both women and men should feel free to walk at night without fear of sexual assault. The march hopes to raise awareness about the issue and help prevent future occurrences. However, the main purpose of the week is not just to prevent, but also to show people the resources available to them as victims.

"We would like to prevent bad things from happening, but we also want to let them know what processes they might go through if something bad does happen," Bowerman said.

The five events scheduled for the week, the last of which is Take Back the Night, are designed to educate the community.

"People need to recognize that sexual assault does happen. It could be someone you know, a friend or boyfriend. A lot of the activities are geared towards educating people about what to do while it is happening and after," junior FSO co-coordinator Jennifer Price said.

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Lumps in My Oatmeal

By Josh Kinberg



Eddy

By Kevin DeCorla-Souza



variety calendar  
compiled by lindsay moroney

Saturday

Today is the last day of Women's History Month. There are many things you can do to celebrate influential women in the world. Check out the new bookstore website for a list of ideas on authors and for important facts about women's history at [www.bkstore.com/wm](http://www.bkstore.com/wm).

Sunday

WCWM college radio presents Q and Not U with The Fuses and Hatrack at Lodge One. Q and Not U's label is Dischord Records, which was created in 1980 to document the music coming from the D.C. punk community. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. for \$5.

To have an event printed in the Variety Calendar, send mail to [calndr@wm.edu](mailto:calndr@wm.edu) or call x3281 before 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Monday

The Institute of Bill of Rights Law is sponsoring a luncheon at the Law School from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Lisa Fan Nappi, a practitioner of Falun Gong and protester at Tianamen Square in 1989, will speak on "An Introduction to Falun Gong and Human Rights in China."

Tuesday

Support your classmates at the third annual Gay Pride Week Literary Reading in the Botetourt Theatre beginning at 7:30 p.m. Three students will be reading Professor Westberg's one act play "Monsieur and Madame: A Mating Dance in One Act."

Wednesday Next week

"Blow" comes to campus via satellite this evening, beginning at 9 p.m. in Trinkle Hall. Sponsored by UCAB, this free advance screening stars Johnny Depp and Penelope Cruz. The movie is about the true story of one man's role in bringing cocaine to America.

Thursday

As Sexual Awareness Week draws to a close, the Feminist Student Organization invites the campus to come together for a candlelight vigil. The event will be held in the Crim Dell Amphitheater beginning at 8 p.m. This is just one of many events planned for the week.

Friday

The UCAB-sponsored Fridays at Five event will host the Travis Allison Band this evening. They will play on the UC Terrace, starting at 5 p.m. free of charge. Hailing from Richmond, you may have heard this band on MTV's Undressed or on Nickelodeon.

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Price emphasized that although sexual assault is generally thought of in the context of women, the event has significance for men as well.

"We want to give men tips on how to handle certain situations and let men know how it can affect women," Price said.

Although FSO serves as the organizing body of the event, numerous organizations and individuals are contributing to the week's activities.

"Everything we've done has been organized by FSO, but with a great amount of support from the school. Many individuals have helped us out. It's put on by FSO, but it's not just an FSO event," Bowerman said.

This year the club has extended the event from three to five days, in the hopes of further bringing the community together and spreading the message.

"This year we're taking things a step up — a complete week. We want the campus to be involved," Price said.

As part of the increase in activities, FSO has invited the feminist punk band BETTY, one of whose members is an alum, to play at Take Back the Night. The band is well known in New York City, has toured in small venues across the United States and Europe, and has played at the World March of Women in D.C.

Bowerman hopes that the Take Back the Night rally and march, as well as the band, will be a success with students.

"It's a good way to bring the community together. There is always a lot of energy. We're just trying to get the word out there," Bowerman said.

**"This year we're taking things a step up — a complete week. We want the campus to be involved,"**

— Jennifer Price, Class of '02

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Sexual Assault Awareness Week events

**Monday, April 2:** Learn to fight back at Robert Horvath's self-defense class. Horvath, an instructor from the College's Kinesiology Department, is well-qualified to teach ways of defending yourself from the risks on campus. The class begins at 8 p.m. in Tyler 336.

**Tuesday, April 3:** Rape does occur, and everyone should know what to do if the worst happens. Join a panel of professionals who work with sexual assault cases to learn how to report a rape and what happens after a rape is reported. Representatives from many organizations will be in the area at 8 p.m. in Tyler 336.

**Wednesday, April 4:** Two films are playing this evening to educate students on sexual harassment on college campuses and on the media's portrayal of women. They begin at 8 p.m. in Tyler 102.

**Thursday, April 5:** Victims, friends and supporters stand together at a candlelight vigil tonight at 8 p.m. at Crim Dell Amphitheater.

**Friday, April 6:** Rally with fellow students and rock with BETTY, a band from New York, at Take Back the Night. It begins at 3:30 p.m. in the Sunken Gardens (the rain site is Trinkle Hall in the Campus Center).

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Richardson, who played Jill Taylor on "Home Improvement," made an appearance.

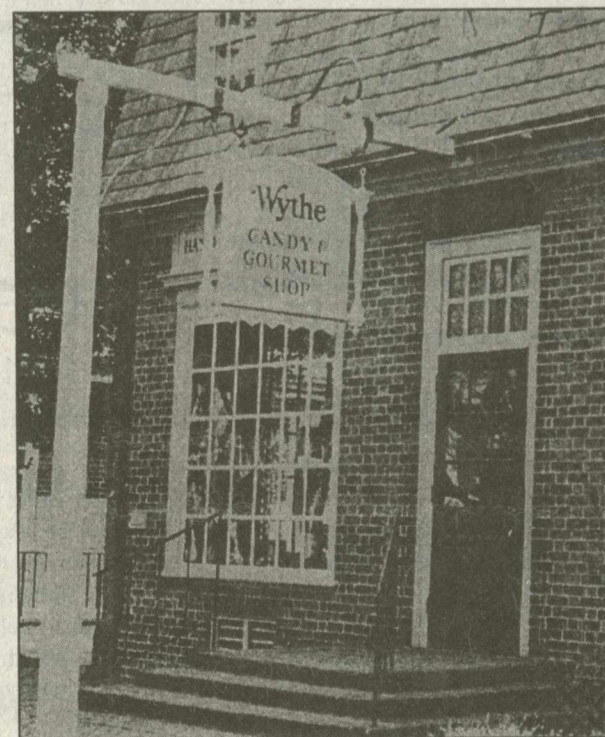
"It's so busy around here that when a famous face walks in you don't have time to recognize them right away, just serve them," Dorton said. "A popular basketball player just came in a while ago, but it's hard to pay attention."

Keeping the customers happy is an essential aspect of Wythe's service. If the store does not carry the goodies you are looking for, according to Dorton, they will find a way to get it.

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Four more issues.

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# That Girl

By Heather Irene Howard  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

"What did you do in class today?" is a question commonly asked of students. While the usual responses of "nothing," "I don't remember" or "I didn't go" can be heard, few can say "I climbed Mount Sinai" or "I visited the Pyramids again." Unless, of course, you are senior Beesan Abder-Ruhman, who studied abroad last year in Cairo, Egypt.

"My dad named me after a city in Palestine that is now under Israeli occupation. He thought it was the most beautiful city he had ever seen," Beesan said in reference to her unique name, which many Arabs think is American in origin. She's been marked for life with a plethora of nicknames that include "Beast," "B-Jam" and butchered pronunciations of her name (It's actually pronounced "Bees-Anne.")

Beesan can consider herself an expert on the Virginia public university system.

"I attended George Mason my freshman year, transferred to JMU [James Madison University] for first semester sophomore year and then to William and Mary for second semester sophomore year," Beesan said.

Beesan also had the incredible luck of finding housing lottery number one in her CS box right after she transferred to the College her sophomore year.

"With my number I got to live in a lodge, but then I was accepted to study abroad in Cairo, so I didn't even get to live there after all," she said.

For those students who got bumped from lottery this year, Beesan, who hails from Alexandria, Va., recommends grabbing some friends and renting an apartment. She chose to spend only one semester living in a dorm.

"Living in an apartment this year is the best thing that's happened to me," Beesan said. "Living on campus, you are around the school too much. You need the opportunity to get away

and experience life ... and I like having my own kitchen."

A self-professed "health freak," she prefers spicy, Middle Eastern food to anything else. Along with olives and pita, she loves to eat plain yogurt, which she says some people think is "weird."

Beesan said that the study abroad program in Cairo was one of the best experiences in her life. Adding that, aside from studying business and Arabic at the American University, the trip included some amazing experiences that cannot be found in a textbook or classroom.

"New Year's Eve 2000 at the Pyramids was unbelievable. They are enormous. I have a picture of me next



## Beesan Abder-Ruhman

CLASS: Senior  
MOST LIKELY AT: The Rec Center  
HOUSING LOTTERY NUMBER FOR JUNIOR YEAR: One  
SCHOOLS ATTENDED: Three  
FAVORITE FOODS: Olives and pita, plain yogurt

to one of the blocks and I'm minute. Cairo was very crowded for the celebration and we were all out in the desert. Everyone was running around like crazy and there were fireworks, light shows and a lot of live music," she said.

She also had the opportunity to climb Mount Sinai.

"I got to see the sunrise on the mountain. It's a long walk to the top and I was cold and tired. But you get up there and you can buy a blanket from this poor, little, old man at the top of the mountain who makes his

living selling these blankets. There's a church and a mosque up there too. I sat there all wrapped up and listened to the people, singing songs and praying at the top of Mount Sinai. It was amazing."

When Beesan isn't traveling around the Middle East she can be found on the soccer field (She's the former captain of the Girls Club Soccer team.) or hanging out with Alpha Kappa Psi, which she refers to as the "business frat."

"It's a social business fraternity.

We do a lot of charity work and have community involvement, but I like the parties," she said.

In fact, she loves parties and dancing so much that she even shook her groove thing on television.

"Wherever I go I always try to get on MTV," she said with a grin. "In San Diego I wanted to get on the MTV Beach House. I asked the body-guard how to get in and he told me what do. I love to dance. I was just dancing around the set, but I got on."

Unfortunately, Beesan never got a chance to see her moves.

"I was camping and my friend shot me in the foot with a BB gun, so the week I was suppose to be on TV I missed the showing of my tape," she said. "I remember waking up and seeing me on TV throwing my hands in the air, but that's all I saw."

If you missed Beesan's performance on SoCal Central, you might see her dancing at the frats.

"I love to dance on the metal platforms above everyone. My favorite spot is at PiKA. You have a lot of space. It's like a personal dance zone."

Beesan says her craziness is all part of getting to know herself better.

"I live off of whatever I do, I love to run around and do something different all the time. Life has so many different things in it, don't grasp onto just one — live it up," she said.

**"I love to dance on the metal platforms above everyone. My favorite spot is at PiKA. You have a lot of space. It's like a personal dance zone."**

## SANE

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in your group evaluation.

To make things even worse, you're completely conflicted about dating behavior because if you're rejected, you'll probably spin into depression or some other exciting neurosis, but if you don't find someone by age 25, your mental health is really going to take a nose dive. Suddenly, when confronted with an attractive and eligible acquaintance, you're reduced to curling up in the fetal position and making gurgling noises.

Whatever friends you manage to retain up until this point will drop you like a beer during a fraternity walk-through when, during dinner at the Caf, you say, "You know, the only reason I'm friends with you guys is because we live in close proximity. You're lucky I don't live somewhere else."

Sport psychology, a kinesiology class, is a departmental departure, but it still contributed to my growing mound of difficulties in leading an emotionally stable life. Upon taking the class, I was suddenly terrified of trying any new sport because there was just way too much to think about. Not only that, but I then found myself hollering at the TV: "You have no excuse to

miss that foul shot! It's a well-rehearsed, moderately challenging skill with little outside interference! What's wrong with you? I can't believe you ever made it through the \$\$\$ing draft!" And I have never possessed anything that you could label athletic skill. Then all of a sudden, I shut up because I realize that the constant activation of stress responses will one day lead you to fall-over dead. Or at least I think that's what the professor said.

**Suffice to say that I have seen a professor write slang names for genitalia on a blackboard ...**

Even something that sounds as harmless as statistics will really do a number on your psyche. You'll be sitting at Ruby Tuesday's, waiting for your cheese fries and Megarita, when you suddenly notice the customer feedback card on the table, behind the salt and pepper shakers. What ensues is a heated argument between you and the waitress ("No, I don't know if we use a T-test or an ANOVA to analyze the data."), culminating in your throwing a bottle of ketchup against the wall and storming out of the restaurant.

said.

When asked about how she deals with being so far from her family, she says it helps to keep busy.

"If you're going to stay young, you have to stay busy and not stay in the past," she said.

In her free time she likes to read, walk and do crossword puzzles. Her favorite authors are John Grisham and Patricia Cornwell. Generally, she likes reading mysteries.

Burns has always found one piece of advice to be very valuable.

"Life is too short. I choose the way my life will be because I approach it that way," she said.

Anyone who goes to the study lounge at Swem can see first-hand how a positive outlook can make

all the difference. Not only does it make Burns a welcome addition to campus life, but it also gives students a nice pick-me-up when they're feeling low and need more than just a cup of coffee.

**Beverly smiles at me and asks how I'm doing today. It reminds me of my mom or grandmother."**

— Mandy Hooper,  
Class of '01

## COFFEE

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Her attitude helps the students who frequent Starbucks in the study lounge.

"Sometimes when I'm tired and stressed out I come into the library for some coffee. Beverly smiles at me and asks how I'm doing today. It reminds me of my mom or grandmother. It makes me feel a little better," senior Mandy Hooper said.

Burns lives in Williamsburg now and doesn't plan on moving anytime soon. She likes where she is right now in her life. Her children, however, want her to move and live with them because they worry about her being alone. One of her sons wants her to move to Texas with him.

"When I'm 80 I'll live beside of one of them," she

## WRITE TO KNOW

**Q:** I've heard that undergraduates at the College who apply to the law school are less likely to be accepted than applicants from other schools. Is this true?

**A:** According to Bennie Rogers, assistant dean for admission at the School of Law, this is only a myth. "When I first heard about this, it came as a complete shock to me," Rogers said. "I know that there are some law schools that discourage their own undergraduates to apply, but we are far from that."

In fact, for the past few years, the College has been one of the top feeder schools for the School of Law. It is usually first or second only to UVa. "We are a public institution here in Virginia, and so this is a place for Virginians. It's silly for us not to take students from William and Mary, one of the top schools in the country," he said.

The School of Law received about 2,500 applications this year, and three to five percent comes from College undergraduates.

"We personally go out of our way to recruit William and Mary students," Rogers said.

He encourages all prospective undergraduates to make an appointment if they have any questions.

Questions for Write to Know can be emailed to [flvrt@wm.edu](mailto:flvrt@wm.edu).

**CORRECTION:** In the March 23 issue of The Flat Hat the Variety Calendar stated that Premiere Theatre will consist of three one-act plays in PBK137, the Studio Theatre. The performance will be five one-act plays to be held in PBK Lab Theatre March 30 and 31.

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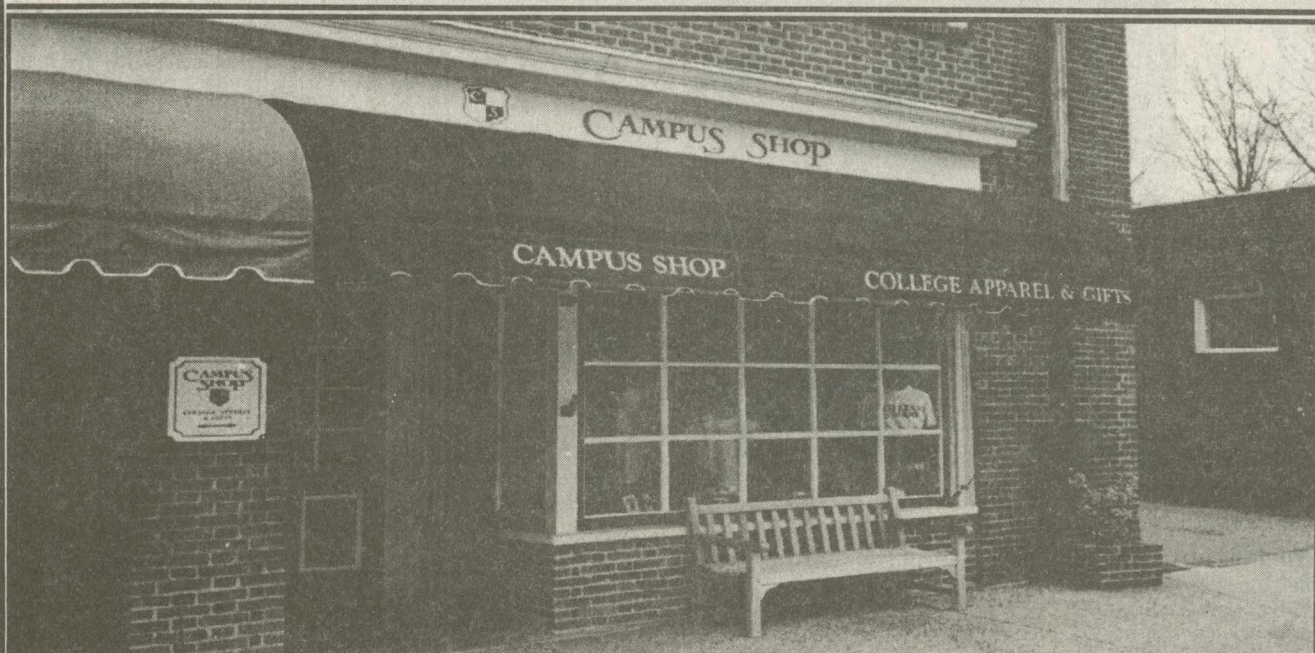
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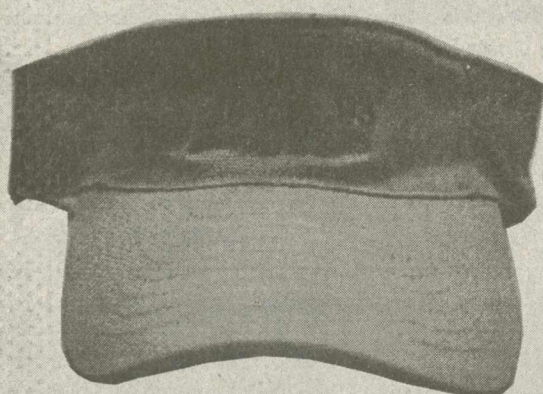
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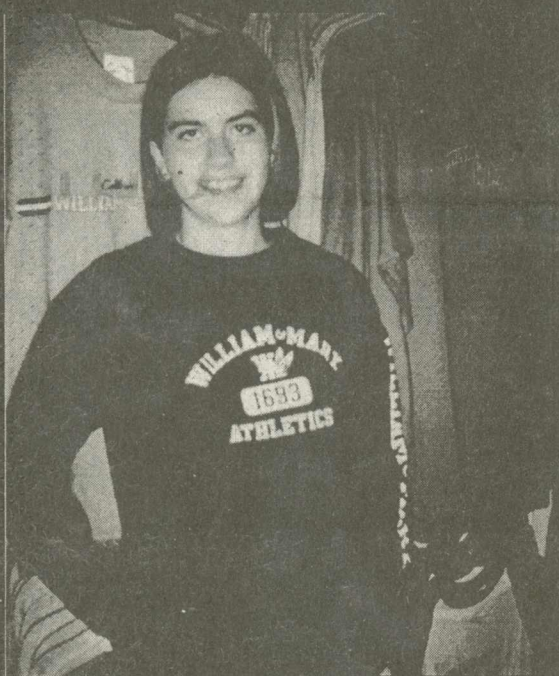
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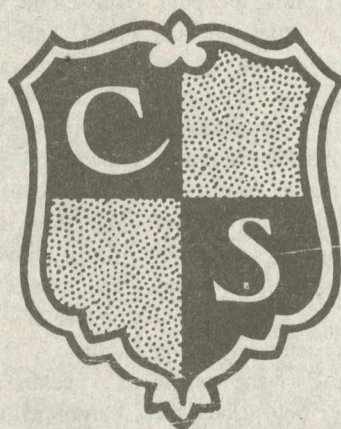


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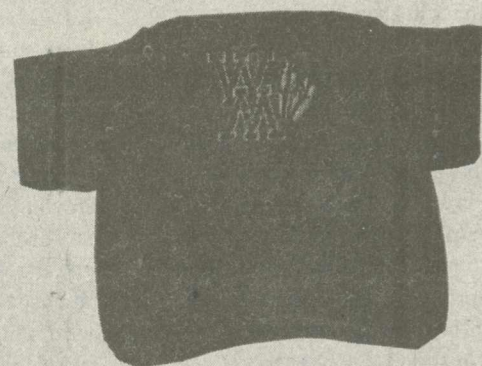
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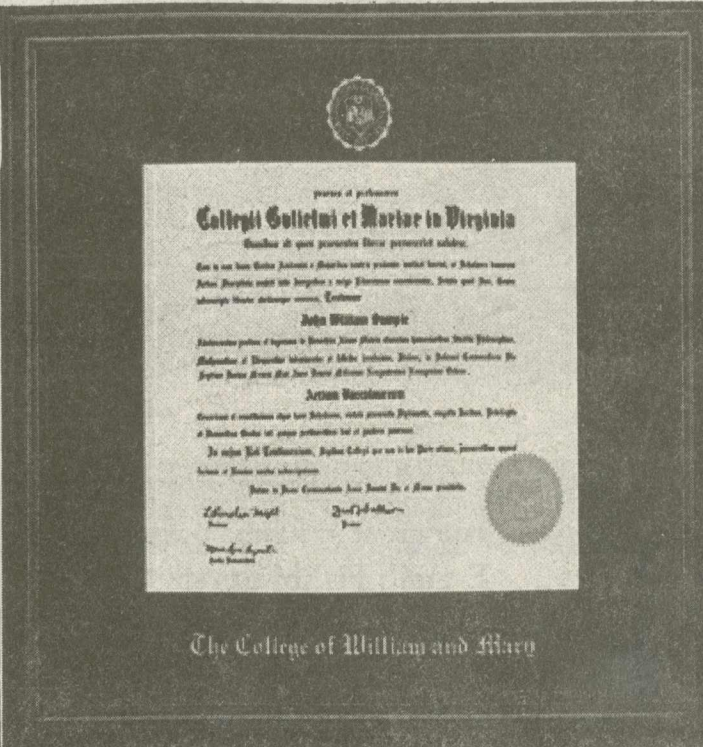


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# REVIEWS



## Starry night burns less than bright

By Sara Brady and Andrew Rosendorf

Some people are completely obsessed with the movies and the people in them. These people live for one thing each year and only one thing. Once that day comes and goes, depression sets

**THE 73RD ACADEMY AWARDS**  
★★★

in. This is, of course, Oscar night.

Now, other factors than just the annual passing of Hollywood's most glamorous and decadent night tend to drive this onset of depression. Severe, Prozac-requiring feelings of despair follow a night in which nothing goes right, in which the most qualified, artistically risky and truly brilliant, creative people of the last year get the shaft (not the one Samuel L. Jackson played, although Steve Martin apparently campaigned earnestly for that role).

The 73rd annual Academy Awards were not bad enough to necessitate medication, although Bjork and her god-awful swan dress might have been. Unfortunately, several of the most deserving artists of 2000 did not take home the naked, gold man. Some of the best performances of the year weren't even nominated, such as Michael Douglas in "Wonder Boys," Michelle Yeoh and Chow Yun-Fat in "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," Jamie Bell in "Billy Elliot" and Bruce Greenwood in "Thirteen Days." But enough bitterness.

From the overwrought, "2001: A Space Odyssey"-themed opening to the perennially frowning Russell Crowe watching his movie bring home the big prize, Sunday night's cere-

mony clocked in considerably shorter than last year's marathon (45 minutes shorter, for the anal-retentive). Crowe and Ridley Scott's less-than-brief sword and sandal epic, "Gladiator," took home two of the most coveted and hotly contested awards of the night, Best Picture and Best Actor, while America's incredibly effervescent, spotlight-grabbing sweetheart, Julia Roberts, predictably picked up her first statue for "Erin Brockovich."

The Academy offered a free, big-screen TV to the winner with the shortest speech, but Roberts brazenly replied, "I have a television, so I'm going to spend some time here to tell you some things, and turn that clock off, it's making me nervous." Roberts giddily thanked her director, Steven Soderbergh, who was getting his fair share of shout-outs, but didn't indulge in the same kind of sappy exchanges of affection with boyfriend Benjamin Bratt witnessed at the Golden Globes and Screen Actor's Guild.

The television went to Best Animated Short winner Michael Dudok De Wit.

In other categories, "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" won four of the 10 awards for which it was nominated: Foreign Language Film, Cinematography, Art Direction, and Score. Marcia Gay Harden pulled off a huge upset in the Best Supporting Actress category for her role in "Pollock," and seemed just as shocked as everyone else. Competing against Golden Globe winner Kate Hudson ("Almost Famous") and Screen Actor's Guild award winner Dame Judi Dench ("Chocolat"), Harden shouldn't have had a chance, but her performance as Lee Krasner in "Pollock" pulled off what director and co-star Ed Harris couldn't.

The Best Supporting Actor category featured much less drama, as Benicio del Toro picked up yet another accolade for his turn in Best Director Soderbergh's "Traffic." Del Toro followed in

Robert de Niro's footsteps as one of the few actors to win an award for a role almost entirely in a foreign language (Roberto Benigni does not count).

First-time host Steve Martin held the evening together with his scathing commentary and off-the-cuff humor. He didn't fill the void left by Billy Crystal, especially at the beginning, when he delivered 10 minutes of stand-up rather than Crystal's traditional medley roasting the Best Picture nominees, but at least he was better than Letterman (which isn't hard) and less blatantly obscene than Whoopi. One of Martin's better moments came toward the beginning of the show, when he picked out his favorite folks in the audience and had a little fun at their expense.

Even though everyone and their mom knew that Julia had Best Actress locked up, Martin paid homage to fellow nominee Ellen Burstyn (for "Requiem for a Dream"), saying that the actress bravely "did something that not many actresses would do for a role ... She made



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A beaming Julia Roberts ("Erin Brockovich") walked away with the award for Best Actress, but not before praising her fellow nominees.

herself look 30 pounds heavier and 20 years older. And Russell Crowe still hit on her." That

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## 'Chemistry' lacks fizz

■ Semisonic's new album semi-sucks

By Dan Miller  
Flat Hat Associate Editor

It's been a while since the music industry has heard from Semisonic. The band's latest full-length album was 1998's "Feeling Strangely Fine," which featured the colossal hit "Closing Time," a song that was mentioned

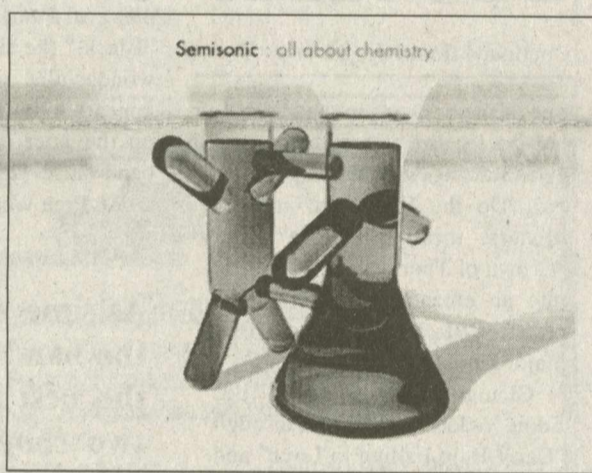
**ALBUM: SEMISONIC ALL ABOUT CHEMISTRY**  
★★

in nervous high school graduation speeches all across America.

After teasing the nation with new material on 2000's "Pleasure" EP, the band recently released "All About Chemistry," a mediocre and tedious collection of pop songs that pack as little punch as Gandhi boxing with Mike Tyson. "Chemistry" is over-produced and boring, with the cool cover art being one of the only things going for it.

While "Feeling Strangely Fine" had catchy pop singles, ranging from "Closing Time" to the less successful "Singing in My Sleep" and "Secret Smile," the songs were upbeat and fun without being trite or silly.

"Chemistry" is full of mid-tempo half-rockers and half-hearted ballads that don't have any impact. This new group of tunes is a fairly homogenous collection of rock/pop songs with some synthetic embellishments. Their lack of innovation would be excusable if they at least had progressed from "Strangely" or managed to



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come up with pop songs that have some impact.

Unfortunately, unfocused songs like "Sunshine and Chocolate" dominate the album and don't inspire any emotion in the listener. They aren't fast enough to create delight and excitement; they aren't slow enough to hit any emotional high points.

Tempo aside, Semisonic mastermind Dan Wilson has mangled his melodies by making them overdone and rambling. "Act Naturally" is an example of one song that doesn't have a melody to carry it and therefore falls flat on its face.

Additionally, while Wilson's high, nerdy voice was endearing on "Strangely," it has become increasingly irritating and mopey. His lyrics are too melancholic on almost every song, and they lack any bite. His sensitive-guy approach is nice, but all of the songs have lackluster, ineffective lyrics.

On the whole, "Chemistry" is a letdown. The band doesn't appear to have matured at all between albums.

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Semisonic has never been a band that has had the potential to change modern music, but it would be nice to be able to rely on them for decent pop albums.

"Chemistry" isn't all bad, although finding high points is a bit of a scavenger hunt. The lead single, also called "Chemistry," isn't terrible, although it is 10

times more annoying than anything on the band's previous album. Carole King has a cool guest spot on "One True Love," adding a little variety to the band's lovesick geek style.

Semisonic might be capable of more if they would only develop more of an attitude and be aggressive in their creations. In the meantime, however, "Chemistry" is a failed experiment.

## '80s pop still has soul

By Philip Clark  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The singer is a tall, willowy blonde constantly hounded by questions about his sexuality. The guitarist is a short, dark-haired Italian, always assumed to

**ALBUM: DARYL HALL AND JOHN OATES "THE VERY BEST..."**  
★★★★★

be the lesser talented of the pair. Between them, they have become a blue-eyed soul band to be reckoned with over the course of what is now a 30-year career. Since their multiple

albums are often packed with filler, a greatest-hits package is the way to see if you're looking to sample Hall and Oates.

Eighteen tracks long, "The Very Best of ..." is an ample selection of Hall and Oates' greatest hits during their premiere years of dominance, 1975-85, plus a few lesser-known album tracks ("Family Man," "Did It in a Minute" and a couple of others). The record goes back as early as 1975's soul ballad "Sara Smile," and far forward enough to encompass songs from the album "Big Bam Boom," the poppiest works of their career. The album's only gaps come from its lack of recent material, the band's oldest work done with Atlantic Records and material from the band's years with Arista.

As an overview of the RCA years,

however, "The Very Best of ..." works famously. The collection begins with material from the 1975 release "Daryl Hall & John Oates," featuring a cover making the duo sound like some sort of early David Bowie retreats. The only difference is that Daryl Hall's sweet, high voice blew away Bowie's raspy whine. The song "Sara Smile," a three-minute soul single, drips with the influence of Philadelphia International, their funk/soul/disco label. "Sara Smile" showed the sort of stuff that made Hall and Oates the whitest white boys ever to appear on "Soul Train."

Following are three songs from the period between "Sara Smile" and their gigantic breakthrough LP, 1980's "Voices." Among these, "Rich Girl" is

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## 'Bootlegs' stands tall

By Ed Caffero  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

March 27th marked the release of 24 bootleg albums from Pearl Jam's most recent U.S. tour. The endeavor is a follow up to the band's release of

**ALBUM: PEARL JAM "DOMESTIC BOOTLEGS: SECOND LEG"**  
★★★★★

many of their recent European shows, and it continues Pearl Jam's attempt to stay close to their early

roots, even after their phenomenal success. For the most part, the shows on this leg of the tour are fairly consistent. A good mix of old and new material is incorporated into each show, with some notable covers adding a new dimension to an already sound body of work.

The bootlegs are taken from a wide range of venues across the U.S. and Canada and culminate predictably in consecutive homecoming shows in Seattle. Throughout the tour, the band seems to have stuck to a consistent formula of their most famous early stuff along with newer songs primarily from "Yield" and "No Code." At any show along the tour, one could be almost certain to hear "Corduroy," "Go," "Animal"

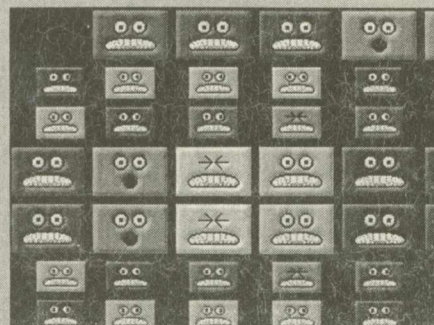
and "Grievance," along with staples like "Evenflow," "Black" and "Jeremy."

Sifting through all 24 bootlegs is difficult and unnecessary, due to the strong similarities between shows. Setlists are nearly identical in some places, which may lead some to say that Pearl Jam is imitating other rock hit-makers like Steve Miller, who basically performs his "Greatest Hits" album at every show. This is highly unlikely, however, and the band seems truly excited at every performance during the tour.

Of the many good sets included in the Bootleg Series, several stand out. Disc two, The Las Vegas Bootleg, is

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In the grand tradition of the Hamster Dance and the Stick Man Dance comes Boogie Blocks. Some might see this as stupid, while others see it as a representation of the inner turmoil hidden inside everyone, just screaming to escape from its four-sided prison. Undeniably this page of faces on blocks that move to music has no discernable purpose. Some countries have started using this page as a method of torture for heinous crimes. Don't ask which ones.



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Forget MTV claymation. Grudge-match.com archives all the fictional celebrity battles imaginable. The site picks out two celebrities and provides commentary about their battle. After reading the commentary, visitors can vote on their favorite pick for winner. The most recent match pitted Steve Martin against Whoopi Goldberg and Billy Crystal. Martin managed to beat out both with 49 percent of the people's vote. The current fight is Basil vs. Mr. Bean.

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wild and crazy guy came out of the night extremely lucky that the perpetually pissed-off Crowe didn't find him afterward and beat the stuffing out of him.

Kudos go to the show's producer, Gil Cates, for wisely doing away with the Debbie Allen-choreographed dance numbers introducing the nominated scores ("Saving Private Ryan" set to interpretive tap, anyone?) and, rather, choosing to go with the tasteful, elegant expertise of Yo-Yo Ma and Itzhak Perlman.

Even though Goldie Hawn was painfully and hysterically out of place introducing the nominees, those two very accomplished musicians brought the show a touch of class that Jennifer Lopez's dress could have obliterated forever. Of course, the male half of those 800 million viewers was not really complaining. That said, what the hell was Randy Newman thinking with his chorus of alien back-up singers? They were almost as weird as Bjork's techno-squealing.

Traditionally, the Best Director goes with the Best Picture (with the notable 1998 exception of Steven Spielberg winning for "Saving Private Ryan" and "Shakespeare in Love" taking Best Picture). But Ridley Scott's chances were looking pretty slim after "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon's" Ang Lee took home the Golden Globe and the Director's Guild of America award.

However, for the fifth time in the history of the Oscars the DGA award winner didn't win the Oscar. Instead, Steven Soderbergh became only the second man in 73 years of Oscar to be nominated twice in the directing category (Michael Curtiz won two nominations in 1938, for "Angels with Dirty Faces" and "Four Daughters." It took him until 1943 to win — for "Casablanca").

Depending on which way you look at it, 2000 was either a rough year for screenwriters or a pretty damn good one. Three scribes of old Hollywood, Edward Anhalt ("Becket"), Julius Epstein ("Casablanca") and Ring Lardner, Jr. ("MASH") were among those memorialized. The Academy of Governors gave an Honorary Award to six-time Writer's Guild award winner Ernest Lehman, the pen behind "West Side Story," "Sabrina," "North by Northwest" and "The Sound of Music," among others. Those who earned their awards were Stephen Gaghan, who took home Best Adapted Screenplay for his very personal "Traffic" script, and



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Russell Crowe took home the Oscar for Best Actor, defeating two-time winner Tom Hanks, star of "Cast Away."

first-time winner Cameron Crowe, who took Best Original Screenplay for his equally personal "Almost Famous."

Who will win next year? Nobody knows. That's the beauty of the months immediately post-Oscar. It's a clean slate for new releases, when they won't have to compete against the big stuff. Remember that it was a year ago this month when "Erin Brockovich" premiered, and look how well it held up. Among the hotly anticipated prospects for next year are Michael Bay's "Pearl Harbor," Sam Mendes and Tom Hanks' "Road to Perdition" and, hopefully following in the tradition of Aussie beef-cake big-budget spectacles is Heath Ledger's "A Knight's Tale." The

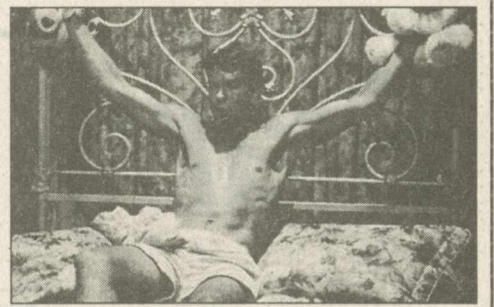
2002 Oscar season has started off slowly, but hopefully by this time next year no one will be singing that trite old song about how no good movies were made, because obviously a few decent ones made the cut this year.

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## SLACKERS 'R' Us: DIVERSIONS FOR THE MOTIVATION-IMPAIRED

### 30 ▶ Comedy, romance and intrigue in store for moviegoers

There is something for everyone at the movies this week. The romantic "Someone Like You" stars the bubbly Ashley Judd and Hugh Jackman in a film about the two most beautiful people you can think of living together. Jerry O'Connell gets strapped down by hormonal angst in the comedy "Tomcats." For thriller lovers, Pierce Brosnan is as dashing as ever in "The Tailor of Panama." All open in theaters today.



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### 31 ▶ Buckcherry concert riles up Richmond

For an evening of noise and mayhem, check out L.A.-based band Buckcherry at the Diamond in Richmond tonight. Their latest album, "Time Bomb," features aggressive punk-metal sounds influenced by Guns n' Roses and Cheap Trick.

### 1 ▶ Fashion faux pas on E!

The Oscar hype has cooled, but the red carpet is still smoking. The E! Academy Awards Fashion review 2001 can be seen today at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 10 p.m. or tomorrow at 1 a.m. Joan and Melissa Rivers team up with an expert fashion panel to take another look at this year's fabulous stars. See if they agree with Steve Martin that swan-inspired get-ups are "so last year."

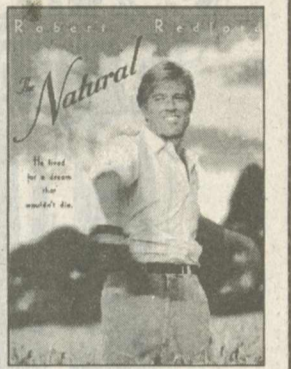
### 2 ▶ TV saga or Ricki Lake's dream job?

Sissy Spacek stars in "Midwives" at 9 p.m. on the Family Channel. The cable adaptation of Chris Bohjalian's bestseller is part medical mystery, part courtroom thriller, part love story. It chronicles the story of a midwife accused of murdering a patient in 1980s rural Vermont.

### 3 ▶ A "Natural" choice on DVD

"The Natural" (Robert Redford) comes out on DVD today, along with "Cleopatra" (Elizabeth Taylor), "102 Dalmatians" (Glenn Close), "All the Pretty Horses" (Matt Damon, Penelope Cruz), and "Nurse Betty" (Morgan Freeman).

Bruce Springsteen's "Live from New York City" hits music stores.



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### 4 ▶ One of those days...

For a dash of sunshine after hours, see bands Gorguts, Dying Fetus, and Skinless perform at Twisters in Richmond. A themed show perhaps? They can't all be winners.

You could always tune in at 6 p.m. to catch "Daytona Motorcycle Madness" on TLC or "The Weird, the Wet and the Slimy" on the Discovery Channel. Get creative, folks.

### 5 ▶ Swingin' salsa band heats up the beach

If you feel like painting the town red after the mid-week slump, go see Bio Ritmo at the Jewish Mother in Virginia Beach tonight. Add some spice to your routine by grooving to the salsa stylings of the band whose danceable rhythms stem from Cuban sounds and traditional salsa beats mixed with modern jazz.

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one of the best sets in the entire tour, has no let-down from beginning to end. Starting with the slightly morbid "Do the Evolution," the band blisters through "Once" and "Crown of Thorns," until entering into an extended version of the classic "Black" from their first major album, "Ten."

Changing things up a bit, Eddie Vedder slowly goes through "Can't Help Falling in Love" and seamlessly switches to "Small Town" and "Mankind." The last four songs of the set capture the live essence of the band quite well with the evocative "Last Kiss" leading into "Porch," the Who's "Baba O'Riley" and one of Pearl Jam's all-time best, "Yellow Ledbetter."

Another great show took place in

Boise, Idaho. The second disc from this performance features two examples of Pearl Jam's finest work. "Black," the sixth song in the set, is wonderfully sung by Vedder, who appears to be at the top of his game on the later dates in the tour. The band closes the show with "Rockin' in the Free World," which they made


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famous in a performance Neil Young. The excitement of the crowd as well as the band comes through in this one, and it is a testament to Pearl Jam's live prowess.

As one might expect, the band saves some of the best for last in the two shows that closed the tour in Seattle. Discs two and three of the second Seattle show are filled with crowd pleasers, which clearly were meant to show that the group still remembers what got them to this point.

Disc two features great versions of "Evenflow," "Jeremy," "Daughter" and "Porch," and closes with an emotional "Yellow Ledbetter." The third disc of the show features one of the few renditions of "Alive" on the entire tour as well as another "Baba O'Riley" and an equally well done "Yellow Ledbetter."

As a whole, the bootlegs are an impressive endeavor. Pearl Jam is a great live band, and they are banking on that reputation by giving fans all the live music they could ever want. The shows may be a bit repetitive, and there are a few notable songs absent from the entire tour (no "Elderly Woman Behind a Counter in a Small Town" — c'mon Eddie, just one, please?), but the collection is very impressive overall. It may take some time to find exactly what you're looking for, but eventually any Pearl Jam fan will find one or more sets that bring the concert experience home.



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**International Business Career Panel**  
Three panelists will share perspectives and answer questions about their careers in international business on Wednesday, April 4 at 4:00 p.m. in the Reves Room. All students welcome. Co-sponsored with Career Services.

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Lecture by General Anthony Zinni, Former Head of U.S. Central Command  
Friday, April 6 at 4:00 p.m. in Chesapeake C. All welcome.

**"Humanitarian Intervention: Good Intentions Are Never Enough"**  
Alton Frye of the Council on Foreign Relations will speak at 4:00 p.m. in the Reves Room on Monday, April 9. All welcome.

**TAKE NOTE!**

Two new IR courses will be offered during Summer Session I this year!


**New Issues in National and International Security**  
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Both courses will be taught by Joseph Pilat of the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

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Say It Isn't So ★ 9:45

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Tomcats ★ 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45  
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Enemy At the Gates ★ 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45  
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Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon ★ 1:00, 3:30, 7:00, 9:30

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# dawg street theatre

## THIS WEEK: DANCING

With the year winding down, we know that it can become a little difficult to focus on work. We figured that reviewing an inspirational film would help to motivate the sluggish, although we personally do

**ROBERT GODFREY** not know what it's like to be sluggish.  
**ADRIANNE HICK** You see, for years, we have

been involved in dedicated, highly intensive training, all in the pursuit of dance. When Columbia Pictures came to us and asked to document our story, we were hesitant. We weren't sure if the public was ready for the exposure to pure dance. No sugarcoating. No frills. Just the cutthroat reality of our experiences in the industry.

Our only requests were that the story be totally believable, and that the casting agents assemble the most talented group of actors possible. The result of our struggle: "Center Stage!"

Adrienne is reflected by the character of Jody, the sweet, young girl who defeats (or should we say defeats) adversity, despite her "bad feet and all." Her one night of indiscretion with a certain member of the company, one Cooper Nielson, proves to be detrimental to her dancing. She'll never make that mistake again.

Encouraged by her counterpart, Charlie (based on Robert's story) and his motto for life, "Whatever you feel, just dance it," she is able to drive out her



demons and "become the best dancer she can be."

Once again, Charlie is portraying Robert, and Robert was unwilling to have this film produced unless it was with the best actor out there. The fact that Charlie wasn't nominated for Best Supporting Actor this year still boggles our minds. But we digress.

In conclusion, if you don't know us but would like to, watch "Center Stage." If you're feeling burdened or frustrated, just remember the inspirational words of Eva (based on senior Sims Baines): "I'm not dancing for you anymore. I'm dancing for me." Just keep that with you, wherever your jazz shoes may take you. We'll see you at the ballet.

*Robert and Adrienne are columnists for The Flat Hat. They are columnists, not communists. Communists believe in dividing wealth equally among the citizens of the world and creating a government without classes. Research is still being done on what columnists believe in.*

# New places for old ideas

By Lena Suk  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

Last night, a small, intimate audience enjoyed five short one-act plays, all written and directed by students at the College. The plays approached issues of youth, sex, love and family

PREMIERE THEATRE  
★★★★

dysfunction with mixtures of humor, irony and poignancy in order to portray properly the mindset of the young writers and directors, and to reflect the atmosphere of any college campus. With their casts of lively actors, the generally witty and well-directed five plays were solidly presented to a very appreciative audience.

The theme of the beginning of the night seemed to be frustrated female sexuality. Phrases such as "I really need to get laid," the mention of "sweet, sweet loving" and "quivering, earth shattering sex" were heard coming out of the mouths of the first three female protagonists.

"Deux Ex Pizza Guy," written by junior Emily Beckett and directed by junior Drew Stark, gave a promising start to the evening with junior Amanda Ketzner's and freshman Jacob Rooksby's lively, quirky acting. Although lead actress, freshman Trinity Freihaut, was as stiff as the scene's blocking, it was really enjoyable with the play's fun, youthful theme.

Its uniqueness lay in the clever dance between conscious and subconscious, which culminated in the end of the scene to provide a funny and powerful address of a young woman's confusion about loneliness and relationships.

The funny and well-written second play, "Sweet, Sweet," by Ketzner, with direction by freshman Michelle Urcuyo, kept the evening of increasingly enjoyable drama going. The combination of sophomore Katie Gentie's

extremely well-delivered monologue and Ketzner's honest, witty outlook on sex created a hilariously quirky and in-depth portrayal of a young woman in sexual distress.

Junior Katy Jordan's "Giving You Back," directed by junior Cat Gibson, also presented a situation of a young woman confused about relationships. This scene was solidly acted and bounced between flashback and dramatic monologue to depict the complicated issue of extra-marital affairs.

The evening took a turn, but not for the worse, with sophomore Andrew Rosendorf's poignant play about a strikingly dysfunctional family. Directed by junior Becky French, "Home Again" portrayed the different perspectives of an abusive father, heart-broken mother and frustrated son upon the son's homecoming after dropping out of military school.

The script balanced brutal honesty and light-hearted humor to reflect the true dynamics of a couple married for 20 plus years and the confusing relationship between loving but misunderstanding parents and their son.

French had dynamic direction, with blocking appropriately accustomed to the shifting attitudes of the characters. From the effective use of silence, filled only by the loud click of the distressed mother's heels, to the clink of the parents' many bourbon-filled tumblers, the direction cultivated an in-depth scene and characters. However, much of the credit for thorough characterization must be given to the actors, especially junior Karen Novak in the role of Gloria, the mother. The sensitivity of her acting to the other roles and ability to portray naturally a character 20 years older and with entirely different experiences than herself were impressive. Stark's role as the son who is unable to function with his abusive father's patriarchy and his mother's passivity was also poignant. As the father, junior David Reynolds was unnatural and



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Sophomore Katie Gentie delivers a monologue in the play "Sweet, Sweet." flat in comparison to the others but managed to pull off touching scenes with his rough honesty.

The final play, written by Gibson and directed by Jordan, was a very pleasant and proper conclusion and a return to the evening's earlier theme of women and relationships, combined with an address of family dysfunction. However, "No Way Out" depicted both these situations from an entirely new perspective. With an extremely witty script, natural direction and lively acting, especially from sophomore Jennifer Pratt as an overbearing mother, the play was a very pleasant finale.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the night of impressive scenes. Although much of the night's subject matter has been addressed before, and the stock characters can be seen in anything from "Ally McBeal" to "The Simpsons," they were still freshly and energetically approached. The most effective element of all five plays was their youthful eagerness, which infused both play and performer with energy, and also promised much for the future of the College's writers, directors and actors.

## POP

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the most famous and the best. At first it seems just an excuse to rhyme the words "rich" and "bitch" or a misogynistic rant from a rejected lover — and that may be exactly what it is. Nonetheless, the jerky vocal hook and Oates' guitar work make the song a classic single.

"Voices" is represented by its three monster hits, "Kiss on My List," "You Make My Dreams" and their cover of the Righteous Brothers' "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling." The latter follows the original so closely that it seems a waste of time, but both of the others cracked the top five when they were released, with "You Make My Dreams," going to number one.

These songs mark Hall and Oates' transition from jazz and soul-influenced music to straight-ahead pop. The music is perky, the lyrics upbeat. The liner notes try to claim that these songs have edgy lyrics underneath the pop veneer. They don't.

It was mostly more of the same for their two later albums, "Private Eyes" and "H2O," both amply represented on the "The Very Best Of..." But when "the same" means smooth pop melodies, why change?

The former album's title track was a huge hit, as was "I Can't Go For That (No Can Do)," which proved that Hall and Oates hadn't completely veered from their roots, as the song hit number one on the R&B chart, in addition to the pop rankings.

"H2O" continued the string of number-one hits with the still often-played "Maneater." Hall and Oates filled the gap between albums with the greatest hits collection, "Rock 'n' Soul Part One," which yielded two more hit singles in with "Adult Education" and "Say It Isn't So." It was their next album, though, that yielded their career's best one-two pop punch.

1984's "Big Bam Boom" — the last record featured on "The Very Best Of..." — was another finely crafted pop album. But Daryl Hall's vocal performance on the lead single, "Out of Touch," was both aggressive and pleading; a rock triumph. This is just the shortened, single-version, but still it works. With its bizarre video, odd chorus line ("M-E-T-H-O-D O-F L-O-V-E"), and quick rap by Hall, "Method of Modern Love" marked the campiest patch of the duo's career.

There's certainly nothing wrong with the songs included on "The Very Best Of..." but couldn't they have left room for their smash from the "Ooh Yeah!" LP, "Everything Your Heart Desires"? How about their version of "Everytime You Go Away," before Paul Young took it to the top of the charts? Or 1997's return to the limelight, "Romeo is Bleeding"?

Okay, so there's too much material for one best-of album. If you've got to have almost everything, there's a 36-track Australian import, "Best of Starting All Over Again." But if you're satisfied with the smash hits and a few filler album tracks, "The Very Best Of..." works just fine.

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They Missed the Perfume  
(MEGAFORCE)

SOUNDTRACK:  
BRIDGET JONES'S DIARY  
(ISLAND)

Spin magazine deemed this Pennsylvania-based jam band "the world's most ragingly experimental beat-savvy quartet." The group is known for its uncanny knack for mixing hypnotic pop, jazz, rock and modern electronic rhythms that dazzle the crowds at their live shows. Die-hard Phishheads are bound to be just as happy with this record as fans of the techno sounds produced by labels like Great Britain's Planet Dog.

Those miffed by the casting of Renee Zellweger as Helen Fielding's neurotic, British protagonist may find the movie's soundtrack even more blasphemous. Ex-Spice Girl Geri Halliwell's cover of The Weather Girls' classic "It's Raining Men" might be redeemed by more noteworthy tracks by Tracy Bonham, Robbie Williams and Best New Artist Grammy winner Shelby Lynne.

— Compiled by Amanda Murray

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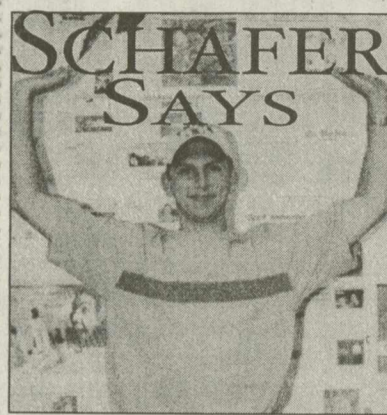
**GYMNASTIC ACCOLADES**

The men's gymnastics squad earned top honors at the ECAC Championships. • PAGE 17

**SUDDEN DEATH**

Tribe lacrosse triumphs over JMU in double overtime battle • PAGE 18

# SPORTS



## Final four not for everyone

Without a doubt, this is the biggest weekend in college basketball. The Final Four is set. There are now only two pairs of teams remaining.

**JAMES SCHAFER** The University of Maryland will face Duke University and defending champions Michigan State will meet the University of Arizona.

To the victors come the championship game and a shot at immortality.

Each team has a story that makes you want them to win.

Some will pull for Duke in hopes that Shane Battier will leave with a championship after four years of superb play.

Others will hope that Maryland, having now made it to its first Final Four appearance, will go further and have a shot at the big dance.

Still, some will root for Michigan State in hope of seeing a successful defense of the title.

And there will be those who will pull for the under dog and cheer on UA.

But unfortunately, college basketball has become a fickle sport of late.

The glow that surrounds the NCAA Tournament has begun to fade as a dark reality of rising, unrealistic, expectations has started to emerge.

There are hundreds of college basketball teams in the country. As with any group, there are some teams that are very good, and there are some teams that are not.

Never has a 16 seed upset a 1 seed. Hampton University pulled off a miracle winning as a 15 seed, but lost in the second round.

There were not always 64 teams in the tournament. This year it was expanded to 65.

While there is the occasional Cinderella story, if we look at the Final Four of this year, the teams present truly do belong. Few would dispute that the squads are some of, if not the best out there.

Sure, it was a little surprising when the University of North Carolina lost, and the University of Illinois might have beaten Arizona, and Maryland could have fallen to Stanford University, but even then, there is still a group of four that would continually beat up on the rest of the field.

It is simply the case that there are not 64 teams in the country that will give Duke, Maryland or any of the top 20 or so squads a quality challenge.

It is perhaps a little sad to say this, but I firmly believe that we will not see a CAA team in the Final Four for a long time. The CAA is a great conference, but any team in our conference would be hard pressed to find a way to take down a top Atlantic Coast Conference team. That being said, automatic berths are still automatic berths. If that is the way some teams get into the tournament, so be it. At least it means that they were dominant in their conference.

So, I was pretty upset to hear that Jerry Green, coach of the University of Tennessee, was going to be replaced, since he managed to get his squad to the tournament four

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## Men's tennis 4-0 in CAA play

By Mike McPeak  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

The men's tennis team beat University of Richmond on the afternoon of March 24 after a rainy morning that forced them to postpone their match against CAA rival James Madison University. The 62nd-ranked Tribe was not so fortunate March 28.

They dropped a close match

against the 45th-ranked University of Virginia Cavaliers.

The normally strong doubles play of the Tribe faltered as the Cavaliers, whose top duo is ranked third in the nation, won all three matches.

The two points for the Tribe came from singles victories.

Senior Brian Lubin was victorious in his match-up at the third position, 7-5, 6-4. Junior Matt Davis also won in a close three-set match, 3-6, 6-4, 1-0.

"It was disappointing not winning the doubles point [at UVa.]," Head Coach Peter Daub said. "It was a match we could have won and we bat-

tlled hard to do it. We just need to continue to push ourselves and try to win. They are a good team, nationally ranked, but we are capable of beating them — we just didn't on that day. But it was a tough loss; I'd say it was the most disappointing loss this season."

The Tribe swept Richmond 7-0 March 24. The team started things off well by winning their doubles matches.

Seniors Patrick Brown and Trevor Spracklin, currently ranked 42nd in the nation in doubles, won their match 8-1.

The team of freshman Joe Brooks and Lubin won their match 8-3, while

junior Chris Erikson and Davis won theirs 8-0.

Richmond put up a fight in the singles matches, taking many sets to 12 or 13 games, but the momentum the Tribe carried from doubles was too much, and all six singles matches were won in straight sets.

"We were aware of a lot of possibilities in terms of weather Saturday," Daub said. "And it is hard to come out after having one match postponed to play one that afternoon, but I give a lot of credit to the players for keeping their minds prepared in the down time and playing a good match against Richmond."

The Tribe will play at Wake Forest at noon this Sunday.

"We play Wake Forest [next]. I was hoping a win at UVa. would get us on a roll and we would win a few matches," Daub said. "But we just have to challenge ourselves now against Wake to look for the win. Right now we have to look into getting into the CAA tournament and performing well there and winning our division. Our goal all along has been to win the CAA and make it into the NCAA tournament, so now we just have to focus on that goal."

The postponed match with JMU will be held April 16.

## Track and field team takes on VCU

### Women struggle against strong winds, still show improvement

By Megan Syrett  
Flat Hat Asst. Sports Editor

The women's track and field team appears solid after its second meet of the 2001 outdoor season. The team performed well at the Virginia Commonwealth University Invitational last Saturday in Richmond.

#### Women's Track

For the second meet in a row, the field events portion of the team stole the spotlight, specifically in the high jump.

Senior Angela Taliaferro won the high jump with a leap of 5 feet, 4.5 inches.

Following Taliaferro in the high jump were sophomores Lora Meekins and Anne Larmore with marks of 5'4" and 5'2" respectively.

The highest individual finish by a Tribe athlete was freshman Stephanie Blake's 400 meter race. Blake set a personal record, posting a time of 59.78 seconds, and finished in second-place overall.

In order to qualify for the ECAC meet in the 400m, Blake needs to run a 56.50.

"She has a little ways to go, but I am 100 percent sure that she can qualify for ECACs this season," Van Rossum said.

"The most difficult part of running the 400m on Saturday was the last stretch; it was so windy that I felt like I was running against a wall," Blake said.

The 4x100m relay team placed second with 49.92. The squad was led by freshmen Kate Norako, Rachel Sigsbury and Blake and anchored by senior Alarice Cesareo.

"The team did a very nice job and they still have room to get better," Van Rossum said.

The Tribe are competing strongly despite the harsh weather and their missing athletes.

Rossum said that the wind on the last stretch of the track was blowing around 30 mph the day of the meet, which affected the athletes' performances.

In addition, many athletes were injured during the indoor track season, but are now making their way back.

Freshman Emily Halm has been working out and is expected to be ready to race again soon.

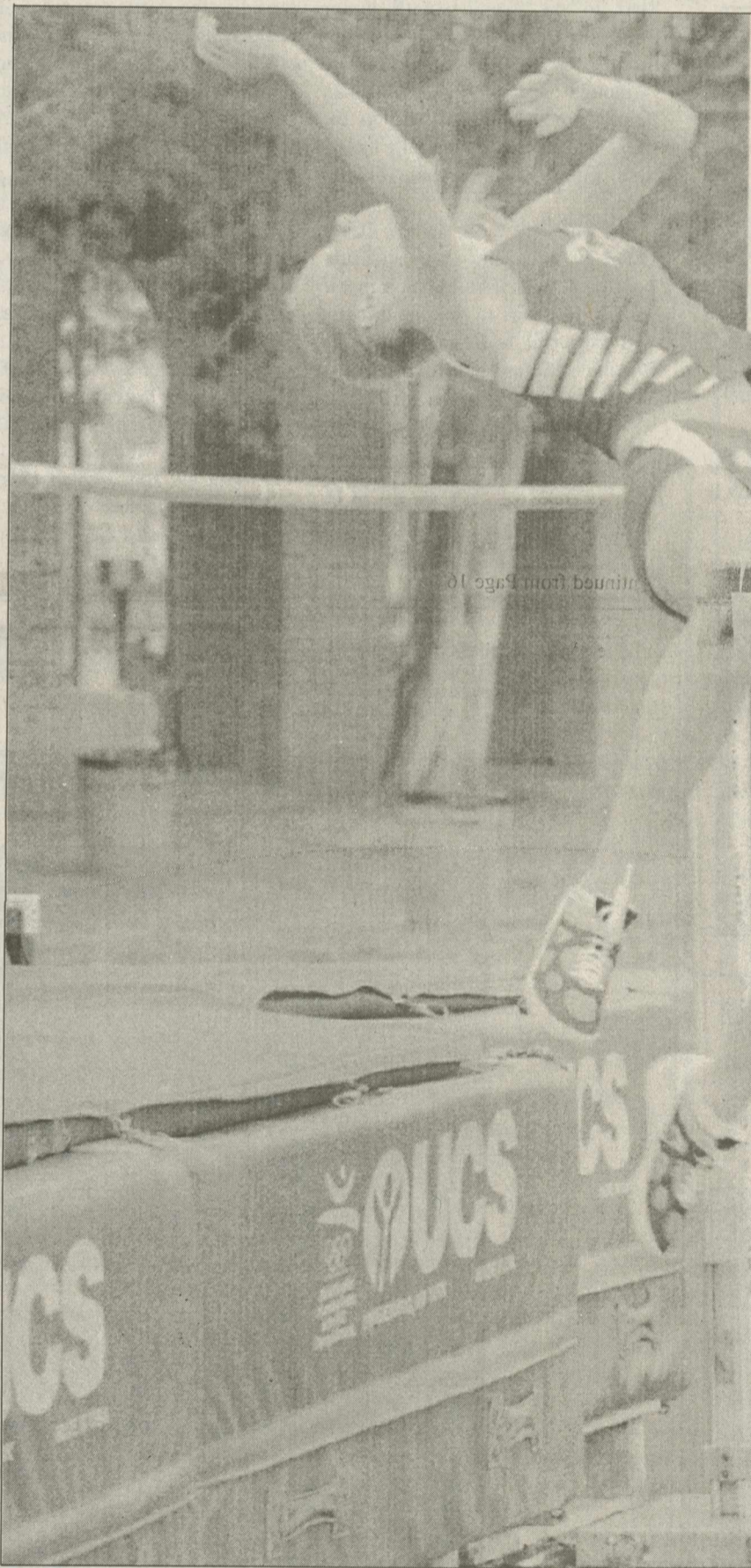
Freshmen Kristin McGough and Laura Toscani will be competing again soon, possibly even this weekend.

Next up for the women is the W&M Open, hosted at Zable Stadium tomorrow.

The throwing events will commence at 9:30 a.m., the jumping events at noon and the running events at 1 p.m.

Some of the 16 teams competing in this weekend's meet include VCU and the University of Detroit, with a few select athletes arriving to represent the University of Virginia and Old Dominion University.

The purpose of this weekend's meet is to allow athletes a chance to compete and prepare for their next big meet — the Colonial Relays — which will be hosted by the Tribe April 6 and 7.



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The Tribe women's track and field team showed strong performances from several individuals at the Virginia Commonwealth University Invitational. An athlete aims to clear the high jump.

## Despite weather, runners excel

By James Schaffer  
Flat Hat Senior Staff Writer

Running with a limited squad on a windy day, the numbers the men's track team received belied the strong performances that were turned in at

#### Men's Track

Virginia Commonwealth University's Richmond Invitational.

According to Head Coach Andrew Gerard, gusty winds made times on the track slower and throwing distances on the field shorter.

However, Gerard also noted that while the actual numbers were not impressive, the placing of the Tribe's athletes was still strong.

In the field, freshman Chris Parsons continued to excel in the shot put.

Parsons won the event with a throw of 52 feet 0.5 inches, and sophomore Barnabas Svalina took third with a throw of 47'8".

Parsons also took second in the discus with a throw of 130' 5" and silver in the javelin with a throw of 194'0".

Sophomore Curtis Smith jumped a personal record distance of 22'1.75" in the long jump, which was good enough for fifth place.

"Especially in the running events, the times weren't particularly impressive," Gerard said. "But as I told everyone, the key is not worrying about running your best time, it's about competing."

In the 800 meter race, junior Michael Hass set a personal record and took second in a time of 1 minute, 56.78 seconds.

Despite their slow pace in the 1,500m race, the Tribe runners finished well, securing second and third. Junior Nick Brockway took the silver in 4:06.09 and Mazi Abdolrasulnia took third in 4:07.04.

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## Women gymnasts take second to Yale at ECAC

By Ambi Biggs  
Flat Hat Senior Staff Writer

The women's gymnastics team finished its spectacular season on a low note last Saturday when Yale defeated the Tribe by 0.15 points to

#### Women's Gymnastics

win the ECAC Conference Championship.

The Tribe, which was the top seed, had three falls during the course of the meet.

The team finished with a 192.825, the third highest score in its history. Yale recorded a 192.975.

"Of course we were disappointed that we didn't win," head coach

Mary Lewis said. "It's hard when you lose by 0.15, not even a full 0.2."

Despite not claiming the conference title, the team put out several great performances, according to Lewis.

Sophomore Kady Dendramis tied for the top place on bars, with a 9.900.

The score broke the school record, which sophomore Amy Van Deusen set just last week.

Freshman Jamie Weinfeldt and Van Deusen tied for third on the event, with 9.825 each.

However, the Tribe had to count two falls on bars, earning a 47.850, slightly below their season average.

The score placed them in fourth place on the event at the meet.

The team also counted a fall on beam but managed to post its highest score of the season, a 48.200.

Weinfeldt led the way with a 9.900, which tied the school record that Lynn Dameron set in 1993.

"She [Weinfeldt] did a beautiful beam routine," Lewis said. "It took eight years to tie that one."

Junior Nikki Dattoli also performed well on beam, earning a career-high 9.850.

The team earned the highest score of the seven competing at the meet on vault, 47.925.

Freshman Sue Chaves had the Tribe's highest vault score, a 9.650,

which placed her in third place at the meet.

With the help of Dattoli's 9.825, the Tribe posted a 48.850 on floor. All of the counting scores were at least 9.700, with Weinfeldt and sophomore Erin Skinner earning 9.800s.

Weinfeldt took third place in the all-around individual competition, with a 38.800.

The final team scores placed James Madison University in third, Penn State University in fourth and Brown University in fifth.

Although the team did not win the championship, Lewis said they had a great season.

"I thought it was phenomenal,"

Lewis said, noting that the Tribe posted scores higher than 191,000 in seven of its 11 meets. "We've never done anything like that before ... I couldn't be more pleased."

Even though the Tribe's season has come to a close, Dancu will travel to the University of Florida next Saturday to compete in the NCAA Southeast Region meet.

For the second year in a row, Dancu qualified as an individual competitor on vault based on her regional qualifying score, a 9.735.

She holds the school's record on the event, a 9.825, and was named the ECAC Women's Gymnastics Athlete of the Week in January for scoring a 9.800.



## SPORTS

## Pitchers fuel Tribe sweep

By Sara Brady  
Flat Hat News Editor

Despite a longer-than-usual break between games due to a midweek cancellation, the baseball team rebounded from a tough series,

## Baseball

Tribe	12
Liberty	4

which they lost 1-2 to the University of North Carolina-Wilmington Seahawks, to sweep the University of Richmond Spiders in a three-game series.

In his first career starting performance, junior Ben Shepard earned the CAA Pitcher of the Week award for his complete game on Sunday, in which he held the Spiders to two unearned runs and struck out seven batters.

On Tuesday afternoon, the Tribe traveled to Lexington, Va., and beat the Liberty University Flames, 12-4.

Shepard's 2.75 ERA ranks him 10th in the CAA and ties him with sophomore teammate Whitt Farr for number of wins.

With six wins apiece, Farr and Shepard led the league in wins.

Junior Clark Saylor, who picked up his third win in Saturday's game, started the season as a reliever, along

with Shepard. Recently, the pair has become two of the team's most valued starters.

"Whitt Farr, Clark Saylor and Ben Shepard were the best starting pitching we've had in a three-game series this year," head coach Jim Farr said. "Saylor and Shepard had been pitching out of the bullpen, but if you look at their records, they've been integral parts of six and seven wins, and Whitt has six wins. They're our top three guys in our starting rotation, going into these conference weekend series, and they're pitching well, with confidence."

Strong batting support complemented Farr's nearly flawless performance Friday night; in seven innings, he gave up just three hits and one run.

Junior shortstop Brendan Harris hit his seventh home run of the season in the first inning.

Sophomores Trey Wakefield and Michael Brown both went 4-for-5, and senior Mike O'Kelly went 3-for-4. The trio drove in seven of the team's 13 runs.

"Brendan's our No. 3 hitter [in the lineup] and hasn't been getting pitched to in a lot of respects," Farr said, "but he's an outstanding offensive player and we hope he can continue to stay at this pace."

Continuing the successful series, the Tribe clobbered Richmond 10-2 on Saturday afternoon.

Again, the powerful bats backed up a strong pitching performance Saylor, who threw seven innings, allowing four hits and one earned run.

Both Harris and O'Kelly hit homers off of the Spiders' Tim Stauffer in the third inning.

Shepard controlled Sunday's game, throwing the first complete game by a Tribe pitcher this season. Seven hits backed him up, giving the Tribe a 5-2 win and bringing their record to 19-9, 4-2 in the CAA.

A four-run second inning courtesy of Brown, O'Kelly, Booker and freshman John Lentz gave the Tribe a comfortable lead, which O'Kelly padded with an unearned run in the fourth.

But for two errors in the sixth by Harris that put two runners on base, the Tribe defense backed up Shepard's unimpeachable performance.

Tuesday's game showcased the Tribe's offensive prowess yet again.

Three Tribe batters went 2-for-4. Booker, Wakefield and freshman Marshall Hubbard contributed strongly to the team's 10 hits against the Flames' five beleaguered hurlers.

Walk and Harris each drove in three runs on the way to the win, which brought the Tribe's record to 20-9.

Harris hit his ninth home run in the top of the third inning, securing the Tribe's early 5-1 lead.

With Tribe hitters putting runs on the board in all but three innings, the Flames never managed to recover even after starter Josh Rupe left the game.

Sophomore right-hander Mark Harris picked up the win, coming out of the bullpen in the fifth. Harris' season record improved to 3-1 with three shutout innings and two strikeouts.

The East Carolina University Pirates will host the Tribe for a three-game series beginning this Friday at ECU's Harrington Field. The Pirates are ranked 22nd in the NCAA Division I.

"They [ECU] play very aggressively, with a lot of confidence. They're normally a very scrappy team and they do what they need to do to win," Farr said. "They've got a strong winning tradition, and it's a tough place to play, but we've won five in a row. We have our offense going and we've pitched well in the last five or six games. We're looking forward to the weekend."

## Richmond pulls off close win over Tribe golf

By Megan Syrett  
Flat Hat Asst. Sports Editor

The Tribe men's golf team competed strongly at the Colonial Intercollegiate Tournament held March 26 to 27.

## Men's Golf

After two days of play, the squad took second place, beaten narrowly by the University of Richmond. The Spiders

posted a two-day total of 592 strokes, compared to a total of 604 for the Tribe. Liberty University finished third with 613 strokes.

After the first day of competing, the Tribe had secured a two-stroke lead over Richmond with a total of 296 strokes.

However, the Spiders came back on the second day, with three of their athletes claiming the top three places. Richmond's Joe Horwitz earned

the low score of the tournament, with 142 strokes. He was followed by teammates Mark Digiacoia with a total of 145 and Bryan Stark with 147.

The Tribe was led by senior Mark Urbanek and freshman Tim Pemberton. Urbanek shot a 73 on the first day and ended the tournament with 150 strokes in all.

Pemberton tied Urbanek's two-day total, with 75 strokes each day. Urbanek and Pemberton tied for sev-

enth place overall.

Two other Tribe golfers placed in the top 20 at the tournament. Sophomore Justin Ragognetti finished 11th overall. Junior Justin Hoagland placed 15th. Senior Tom Long also contributed to the Tribe's second-place finish by shooting 75 strokes on the first day of the tournament.

The next competition for the Tribe men will be the Liberty Invitational April 8 to 10.

## Gymnastics earns honors at ECAC

By Kerri Johnson  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

This past weekend the men's gymnastics team, ranked 15th nationally, had another strong showing at the ECAC meet with

## Men's Gymnastics

over 400 fans watching in William and Mary Hall.

The Tribe walked away with a win in one individual event, five athletes who earned six All-East honors and an award given to Head Coach Cliff Gauthier for Coach of the Year.

The first round finished Saturday with the 10th-ranked Minutemen of the University of Massachusetts taking the team title with a score of 208.05.

Temple University finished second with 207.20 and the Tribe finished in third with a score of 206.50, a season best.

Highlights of that evening for the Tribe were sophomore Pat Fitzgerald's career-best all-around performance with a score of 51.35, which gave him third place overall. Fitzgerald also gave a career best performance on the floor exercise, where he received a 9.3, a second place finish.

"Pat was a real workhorse in the finals," Gauthier said.

Freshman Jamie Northrup had the meet's second best performance with a score of 8.9 on the pommel horse, placing him second in that category.

The action continued the next day at the Hall, when junior Mike Turns had an outstanding perfor-

mance on the high bar competition, earning a 8.8 mark and taking home the gold.

"Mike was absolutely awesome ... with a typical near-flawless performance combining his precision style with incredibly difficult tricks," Gauthier said.

Fitzgerald also led the Tribe, earning All-East Honors on both the floor exercise (8.7) and ring events by turning in a sixth place finish in each event.

Northrup was able to take a fourth place finish on the pommel with a score of 8.5, the second highest individual score for the team that evening.

Junior Brendan Hoffman earned All-East honors by finishing fifth on the horse with an 8.5. Junior Adrian Eissler also earned All-East honors by scoring a fifth-place finish on the parallel bars (8.35).

In addition to all the honors and strong finishes, there was Gauthier's Coach of the Year title. He has been with the Tribe for 28 years now and has accomplished more than 500 career victories.

"My receiving Coach of the Year award is really a tribute to a team," Gauthier said.

Gauthier, who has no scholarship money, has the opportunity now to pull his 15th ranked team into the 12-team NCAA Championship field.

"Our team is in the process of making an incredible end of the season run by peaking at the perfect time," Gauthier said. "I don't think this team realizes the magnitude of their run because they are so busy maximizing their potential - truly a remarkable team effort."

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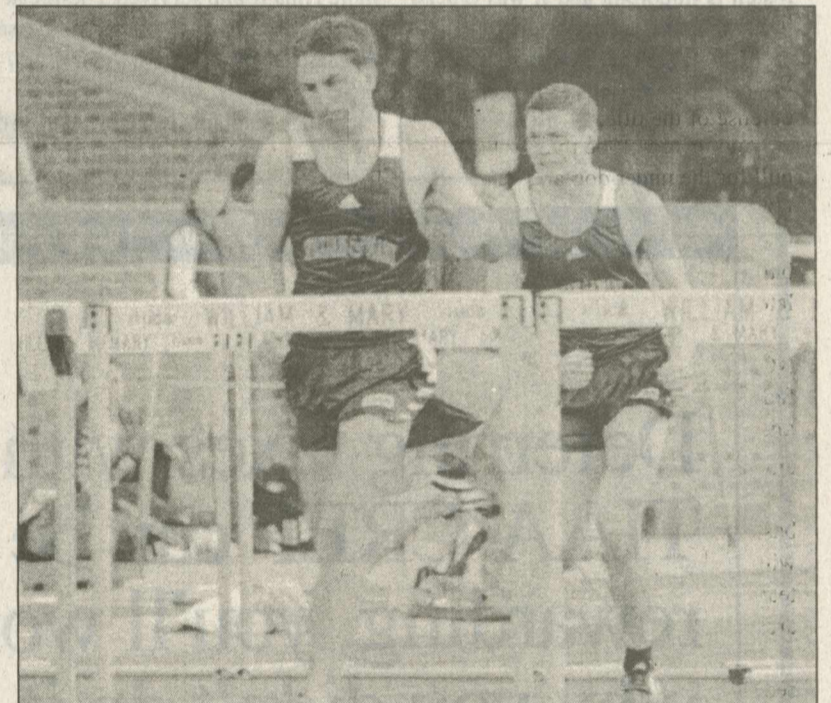
One of the highlights of the meet, according to Gerard, came in the 400m hurdles.

Sophomore Scott Moorhead, who had been plagued by injuries for much of the year took first with a time of 55.63.

"After the race I came away with a good sense of confidence for the rest of the season," Moorhead said.

This weekend the squad will split and head in three.

Seniors Matt Lane and Gene Manner will race Saturday night at Stanford. A small group of runners, mainly a distance squad, will travel to Raleigh, NC. The remainder of the squad will stay home for the W&M Invitational.



CATHERINE CASALINO • The Flat Hat  
Despite winds, several members of the men's track team posted improved times.

# Tribe AT HOME

March 31 — Men's Track and Field — W&M Invitational  
9:30 a.m. at Zable Stadium

March 31 — Women's Track and Field — W&M Open  
9:30 a.m. at Zable Stadium

March 31 — Women's Golf — W&M Invitational  
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7 p.m. at Plumeri Park

Don't just cheer for the team. Interview the players and be a real part of Tribe sports.

Flat Hat writers' meetings Sundays at 5:30 p.m. in the Campus Center basement. Be there.

## SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS WEEK ACTIVITIES

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## Self-Defense Class

Robert Horvath, a self-defense instructor from the William and Mary Kinesiology Department, will give a presentation on risk factors of sexual assault and how to defuse and prevent a violent situation. Monday April 2 at 8 p.m. in Tyler 336

## Sexual Assault and the Law Panel Discussion

A panel of professionals who work with sexual assault cases will discuss what happens after a rape or sexual assault is reported. Panelists include Commonwealth Attorney Mike McGinty, Commonwealth victim-witness coordinator Laura French, Avalon domestic violence victim advocate Jan Barrymore, Williamsburg Community Hospital SANE nurse Pat Henderson, and William and Mary Dean of Students Patricia Volp. Tuesday April 3, at 8 p.m. in Tyler 336

## Film Screening

We will host a screening of two films, one about sexual harassment on college campuses, and the other on the media's representation of women, sex, and violence. Wednesday April 4 at 8 p.m. in Tyler 102

## Candlelight Vigil for Sexual Assault Survivors &amp; Friends

We will provide a supportive and confidential environment for survivors and friends to talk about their experiences and reflections, to listen to others, and to see that they are not alone. Thursday April 5 at 8 p.m. at Crim Dell Amphitheatre

## Take Back the Night Rally &amp; March

The College of William and Mary sponsors an annual rally and march to raise attention about rape, harassment, and assault. This year's Take Back the Night will feature student speakers and a performance by BETTY, a New York feminist rock band. BETTY has a long-standing commitment to women's rights and against violence; they played at V-Day at Madison Square Garden in NY this past February. BETTY is comprised of a WM alum, Amy Ziff (vocals, cello) -- proving that WM students do cool things after graduation! -- Amy's sister Elizabeth Ziff (vocals, guitar), Alyson Palmer (vocals, bass), Tony Salvatore (guitarist), and Mino Gori (drummer). There will be information about sexual assault resources at the rally. Friday April 6 at 3:30-5 p.m. in the Sunken Gardens (Rain site is Trinkle Hall, Campus Center)

## Information Tables

The Feminist Student Organization, the William and Mary Counseling Center, and Avalon will host information tables in the University Center during the Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of Sexual Assault Awareness Week. There will be information about sexual and domestic violence, resources for victims on campus and in the community, as well as a "clothesline" that will feature clothing decorated by survivors of sexual and domestic abuse. Tuesday April 3, Wednesday April 4, and Thursday April 5, University Center, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sponsors: Sexual Assault Awareness Week is made possible through the generosity of William and Mary Student Activities, Student Assembly, Women's Studies Department, Charles Center, Counseling Center, Hillcrest Women's Clinic, Soroptimist Club, and many wonderful individuals!

# Lacrosse challenges JMU in overtime thriller

By Theresa Barbadoro  
Flat Hat Senior Staff Writer

The women's lacrosse team's up-and-down season hit another dip last week but bounced back quickly. The team endured a tough loss to third-ranked Loyola College

## Lacrosse

Tribe	11	Madison University.
JMU	10	Heading into the week with a 3-2 record, W&M needed to find some consistency.

After defeating then seventh-ranked University of Virginia in the season opener, the Tribe fell to 15th-ranked Penn State University in overtime. Needing to regroup, 11th-ranked W&M traveled to Baltimore to take on Loyola.

Despite a career-high of 18 saves from senior keeper Abby Pfeiffer, the Loyola Greyhounds were able to outmuscle the Tribe for a 14-7 victory.

W&M held their own early on, and even built up a 5-2 lead on the offensive firepower of juniors Meghan Schneider (two goals and one assist) and Colette Chaput (two goals).

However, the Greyhounds took over from there, gaining a 6-5 lead before the half and never looking back en route to the 14-7 finish.

It did not take long for W&M to rebound from the loss.

The team took on rival JMU and topped off a spectacular team effort with an 11-10 overtime upset of the Dukes.

The squads traded goals throughout the first half before the Dukes surged ahead with an 8-5 lead with just over 20 minutes remaining.

Tribe senior attackers Tara Hannaford and Lindsey Lowman set the stage for a comeback. Hannaford scored twice and dished out the assist on Lowman's goal to propel the Tribe to within one of JMU.

With time dwindling, Lowman took the game into the extra session by drilling

home a free position shot with five minutes left on the clock.

During the initial six-minute overtime, neither squad scored. Pfeiffer, who had 11 saves, kept W&M alive a great save with two minutes left in the first overtime.

In the second overtime, the sudden death round, Schneider stole a JMU pass and raced upfield before being fouled. Her free position shot found its way through the keeper's legs to give the Tribe the upset victory.

"Today was definitely a hard-fought game. I think the difference came down to us keeping our composure and executing under pressure," head coach Tara Kelly said.

The victory was even sweeter for the Tribe because it broke the Dukes' three-year string of victories over W&M.

The Tribe now heads south to Durham, NC, to battle Duke University tomorrow afternoon before returning to take on Old Dominion University in Norfolk Wednesday at 4 p.m.



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Sophomore attacker Julie Scurachio leads a group of Tribe lacrosse players. The Tribe's offense and goal tending were instrumental in their pulling off an overtime win over JMU Tuesday.

## Women defeat Spiders, 6-1

By Matt Salerno  
Flat Hat Staff Writer

It was one month to the day that the Tribe women's tennis team last took a victory home.

And to celebrate the anniversary, the squad thought it appropriate to win again.

In a terrific effort, the team held off the Richmond Spiders, 6-1.

The Tribe had previously held a losing streak of six matches that dated back to Feb. 28 with a loss to the University of North Carolina.

"It was really great to get the win," assistant coach Tyler Thomson said. "We've gone through some tough losses but hopefully this win will turn things around. Every conference match is important and it was crucial to get this one under our belt."

Prior to their victory, the Tribe was shut out by the second-ranked Duke University blue devils, 7-0.

With the exception of winning the first doubles match and one singles match, the girls were easily handled by the Duke.

The win against the Spiders improves the W&M's overall record to 6-7 for the year (4-0 in the CAA) and extends the team's conference winning streak to 76 consecutive contests.

"This was a pretty good test for our girls," Thomson said, "and I'm glad with how they responded."

The team's doubles points came fairly smoothly, as the three trios combined to defeat each opponent, 24-10.

The Tribe's top pair of juniors, Delphine Troch and Jessyca Arthur, had to fight for their point, and did, winning 8-6.

The singles match proved to be more exciting.

At the third singles spot, sophomore Nina Kamp survived a tie-breaking first-set loss to defeat Vanessa Bagnato in three sets, 6-7(5), 6-2, 7-6(6).

Senior captain Lindsay Sullivan

also withstood a first set defeat before rallying to down Monika Peets in three sets, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2.

"The wind was a factor in later points, but I'm very pleased with how the girls responded," Thomson said.

Troch took care of the top singles spot by dominating Jeanette Cluskey, 6-1, 6-3.

Yet, it was sophomores Kari Olsen and Kelli Partlow who really stole the show on this windy afternoon.

Olsen and Partlow recorded straight set wins on the five and six singles courts, stomping the two Spider counterparts in straight sets with identical 6-1, 6-0 scores.

"Those two [Olsen and Partlow] played really well for us," Thomson said. "They opened up the singles play and really got us on a roll, which was just what the team needed to get that victory."

The next action for the College will come when the team travels to South Bend, Ind., to play the University of Iowa March 31 and the University of Notre Dame April 1.

## Ladies' golf falters

Despite a strong start, the Lady Seahawk Invitational ended disappointingly for the women's golf team. The Tribe women's golf team fell from being tied for third place in the first round to 13th place on the second day. By the end of the third day, W&M had again fallen to 15th out of 18 teams at the tournament. They tied Coastal Carolina University with an overall score of 989.

The team's low scorer for the invitational was freshman Ann Schnell. Schnell began the tournament with a strong 75 in the first round — a third-place score — but she dropped to 23rd after a second-round score of 84. By the conclusion of the third day,

Schnell had earned 243, a performance that netted her 40th place overall.

Teammate Natalie Maleno, a junior, followed Schnell closely with a total of 245 and 48th place. Junior Holly Corbin came in third for W&M with a 61st-place score of 258.

Tournament champion honors were bestowed upon Charleston Southern University. The University of Louisville and James Madison University were tied for second place.

This weekend the team will host the W&M Invitational March 31 to April 1 at Ford's Colony golf course.

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consecutive years. To me, that says that he was doing well. But, since he wasn't getting to the Final Four and wasn't bringing back championships, I guess he just wasn't doing his job right.

This is the problem as I see it. Too many colleges are expecting the impossible.

For teams like Duke or UNC or, presently, Michigan State, there is a strong past that bodes well for recruiting and helps maintain a dominant team.

But for most teams a championship in the NCAA is simply a dream.

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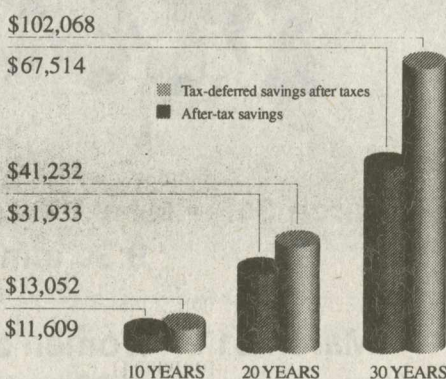
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