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### Droughts Played Major Role In Jamestown, 'Lost Colony' Tragedies

*Tree-ring evidence suggests worst droughts in 800 years led to settlements' decline*

The worst droughts of the past 800 years likely played a major role in the mysterious disappearance of Roanoke Island's "Lost Colony" and in the "starving time" endured by colonists at Jamestown, researchers from the College of William and Mary and the University of Arkansas have concluded after studying growth rings of ancient trees in the Tidewater area. The findings appear in the current issue of the journal *Science*.

"If the English had tried to find a worse time to launch their settlements in the New World, they could not have done so," said Dennis Blanton, director of the William and Mary Center for Archaeological Research. "From 1587 to 1589, the most extreme drought in 800 years is implicated in the disappearance of the Lost Colony, and the Jamestown settlement was later plagued by the driest seven-year episode in 770 years. These droughts make the

dry summer of 1997 pale in comparison."

The researchers' findings were based on an examination of ancient trees in the nation's southeastern Tidewater region. The project was funded by the National Park Service as part of the Jamestown Archaeological Assessment project, a cooperative project among the College of William and Mary, the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation and the National Park Service.

Soon after the Roanoke Island Colony was established near the end of the 16th century, the settlers mysteriously disappeared, leaving only the enigmatic word "Croatoan" carved on a tree. More is known about the hardships at Jamestown, which was founded in 1607 but nearly failed in 1609 and 1610—historically known as "the starving time"—when the colony suffered an appallingly high death rate. According to historians, 43 percent of the 350 colonists

alive in June of 1610 were dead by the end of that summer.

Blanton, who has long been intrigued by the events at Jamestown, asked University of Arkansas climatologist David Stahle to undertake the tree-ring study after hearing of his work. Several years ago, a team of researchers from the tree-ring laboratory at Arkansas had conducted general climate studies along the East Coast by taking nondestructive core samples from selected trees. Blanton asked them to examine the core samples taken specifically from centuries-old bald cypress trees in swamps along the Blackwater and Nottoway



Above: this section of a Nottoway River bald cypress tree shows annual growth rings. The rings are closer together during periods of drought. The hash marks identify the early years of the Jamestown Settlement. Photo courtesy University of Arkansas.



Left: Dennis Blanton, near one of the archaeological sites on Jamestown Island, initiated the drought study with a University of Arkansas climatologist. "I was trained as a prehistoric archaeologist," he said, "and we routinely look at environment to see what role it has played."

rivers on the Virginia-North Carolina border.

"I had read articles about their work and thought we could use the data in archaeology," Blanton explained. "I was trained as a prehistoric archaeologist, and we routinely look at environment to see what role it has played. You

don't do any study in prehistoric archaeology without first understanding the limitations of the environment."

At Blanton's request, Arkansas climatologists spent several

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Master Sgt. James Swedenburg inspects junior Eric Haas following M-16 weapons training.

### ROTC Cadets Learn About Teamwork At Training Exercise

Joining cadets from 15 other universities in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and Washington, D. C., 22 members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the College took part last week in a three-day brigade training exercise at Fort A.P. Hill.

Divided into units with students from the other colleges, the William and Mary cadets took part in a variety of team-building and leadership exercises, including land navigation, rifle marksmanship and squad tactical simulations.

"Figuring out how to work with a diverse group of people who you don't know is one of the most challenging aspects of being an officer in the military," said Lt. Col. Arnold Leonard, William and Mary's chief ROTC officer. "And an experience like this really helps to build their self-confidence as leaders."

The spring A.P. Hill experience is geared primarily toward juniors and is designed in part to prepare the cadets for six weeks of intensive advanced training at Fort Lewis, Wash., this summer.

The ROTC program at William and Mary includes about 100 students from the College and Christopher Newport University. Nine graduating seniors will be commissioned officers next month. ■



## In Memoriam Howard Fraser

**H**oward Fraser, National Endowment for the Humanities Professor of Modern Languages and Literatures, died on Saturday, April 18, after a lengthy illness.

A professor of Spanish and Portuguese, Fraser joined the William and Mary faculty in 1974 after earning his doctoral degree from the University of New Mexico. He also held degrees from Columbia and Harvard universities.

Fraser served as director and associate editor of *CHASQUIL*, a review of Latin American literature, and published numerous articles on the topic as well. The author of two books, he also served

as a review editor for the *Latin American Literary Review* and associate editor of *Hispania*.

Fraser was selected as the recipient of this year's Thomas Ashley Graves Jr. Award for Sustained Excellence in Teaching. This award, traditionally presented at Commencement, will be presented posthumously to Fraser's family at a memorial service this Saturday at 4 p.m. at the Williamsburg Unitarian Universalist Church on Ironbound Road.

"Howard Fraser's legacy is the high standards he set for those of us in the teaching profession," said President Timothy Sullivan. "He was dedicated to his students and his discipline, and these commitments formed all that he did."

In 1979, Fraser received the Society of the Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching. He was also named the recipient in 1984 of the College of William and Mary/

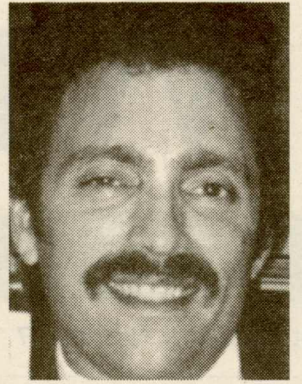
National Endowment for the Humanities Award for Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship.

A scholar in the area of modernism in Latin American literature, Fraser taught an array of courses including Spanish and Portuguese language courses at all levels, Spanish and Spanish-American literature and theater, and courses in Spanish-American civilization and literary criticism.

Fraser served as a freshman-sophomore adviser and faculty adviser for the Spanish House. He was chair of the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures during 1985-88 and 1991-94.

Fraser is survived by his spouse, Ruth, his son, Ben, who will graduate from the University of Virginia next month, his daughter, Meagan, her husband and a brother.

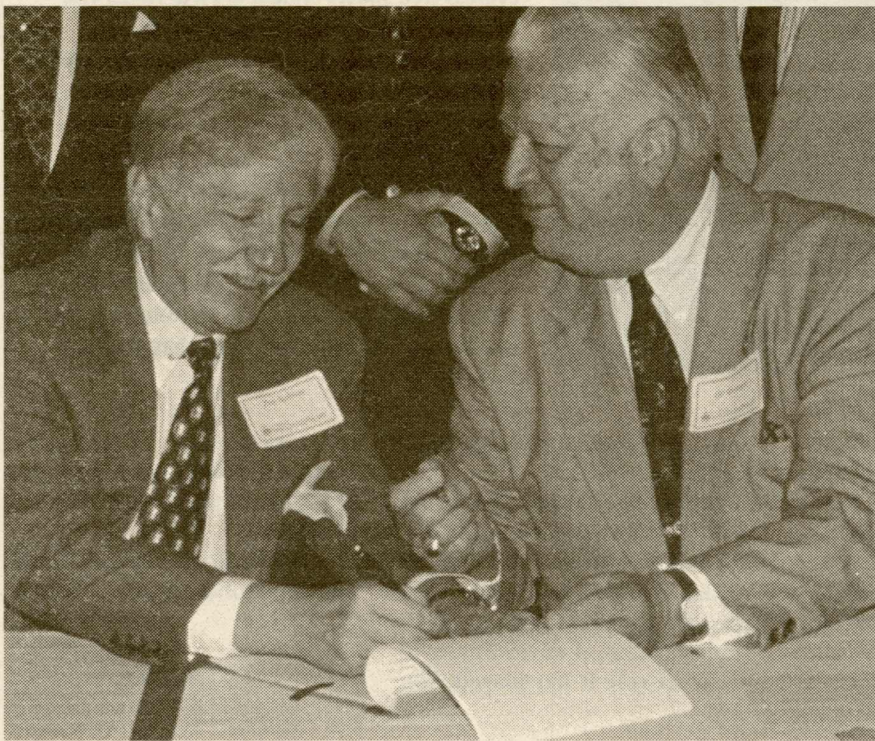
The family will receive visitors at the Unitarian Universalist Church



Howard Fraser  
in 1987

on Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. All members of the College and community are invited. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Williamsburg Unitarian Universalist Church, 3051 Ironbound Rd., Williamsburg, VA, 23815, or to the Howard Fraser Memorial Fund at the College. ■

# Keck Grant, Land Swap, Student Clean-Up Benefit Lake Matoaka, College Woods



President Timothy Sullivan (left) and Mayor Gil Granger signed the document last Friday finalizing the exchange of land between the city and the College.

William and Mary is one of only a few universities in the nation that has such diverse environmental settings so close to its campus. The Lake Matoaka watershed is a preserve surrounded by areas of intense development—a watershed containing both pristine and disturbed areas.

Student-centered field work and experimental research will address a broad range of environmental issues, such as lake and stream ecology, nutrient cycling and sedimentation. This research will have application beyond the Tidewater area.

"This field laboratory will provide the ideal opportunity for hands-on environmental research," said Provost Gillian Cell. "And it will enable the College to strengthen its environmental sciences programs, by enhancing the way current classes are taught and providing an opportunity for new courses to be developed. We are grateful to the W. M. Keck Foundation for recognizing and supporting the unique opportunity William and Mary has to fully integrate environmental research and learning on our campus."

The environmental lab will support the College's environmental science and policy cluster, which includes all environmental programs on the main campus and the School of Marine Science/Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

"The Keck Laboratory will transform environmental science education at the College by providing a rare and ideal opportunity for integrating research and learning," said Lynda Butler, di-

rector of the environmental science and policy cluster. "The lab will give us immediate and timely access to the lake and woods, allowing students to participate daily in hands-on research."

To build the new facility, William and Mary must raise an additional \$750,000 to match the Keck gift, the largest national foundation grant received by the College.

Committed to advancing the areas of medical research, science and engineering, the W. M. Keck Foundation was established in Los Angeles in 1954 by William Myron Keck, founder of the Superior Oil Company. The foundation, one of the nation's largest philanthropic organizations, helps to strengthen academic programs in the sciences by bestowing grants to colleges and universities.

Two years in the making, the land exchange between the College and the city was consummated last Friday as President Timothy Sullivan and Williamsburg Mayor Gilbert Granger signed the papers. In exchange for 37 acres of land along South Henry Street, the College received 36.87 acres of land behind Berkeley Middle School, bordering Lake Matoaka.

"The spirit of cooperation was truly at work during this exchange," Sullivan said. "The exchange speaks to the determination of the College, the city and the community to preserve the condition of Lake Matoaka and remaining green spaces in the community that are of environmental and historic significance."

The College and the city have agreed that, to protect these environmentally sensitive areas, the 70-plus acres will remain in their natural state and be used for recreation in perpetuity.

"The acquisition of this parcel of land, at the entrance to the city, will help us meet the open space goal outlined in the city's 1998

comprehensive plan," said Granger. "This exchange represents a community asset of more than 70 acres of prime environmental property. I applaud the College for working with the city to ensure that we met an important environmental goal."

The city hopes to establish a greenway between College Creek and Capitol Landing and the Williamsburg historic area, thereby protecting this crucial entrance to the city.

To enhance the benefits of the land exchange and the environmental field laboratory, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity will host a biannual "College Woods Clean-up Day" where students, faculty, staff and other volunteers will patrol the College Woods' 500 acres to safeguard the land that College faculty, alumni, students and staff have fought to protect.

In recent years, Lake Matoaka and the College Woods—which were part of the College's 1693 land grant—have survived a number of environmental near-misses. Wildlife depletion, soil erosion, bacterial contamination and a sewage spill have threatened the area. The land exchange will step up the preservation of the College Woods and Lake Matoaka's 1,400-acre watershed and perhaps prevent some environmental problems from reoccurring.

"The protection of our natural assets is an important step in the process leading to an understanding and appreciation of our unique environment," said Professor of Biology Martin Mathes. "This process requires a cooperative financial commitment by the College, foundations and individuals, and is enhanced by the proposed research station, our natural preserve and a community of scholars and students." ■

by Amy Ruth



# M H HEADLINES

MAKING

## AG's Task Force On College Drinking To Hold Public Hearing April 29

Campus alcohol abuse will be the topic of a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, April 29, at 3 p.m., in Tidewater Rooms A & B of the University Center. The event is one of a series of hearings held by Attorney General Mark Earley's Task Force on Drinking by College Students.

"I am pleased with the progress our task force has made so far in raising public awareness of the problem of binge drinking on college campuses," said Earley. "I am confident we will produce insightful, forward-looking initiatives that can be implemented before the next school year begins."

The task force was charged by Attorney General Earley with addressing concerns about the abuse of alcohol on the state's college campuses. The group is composed of state officials, students, law enforcement professionals, concerned citizens, and the presidents of state colleges and universities.

"The College of William and Mary is pleased to host this important public hearing about a matter that must concern all of us who deal with higher education," said President Timothy Sullivan. "I hope that all of those who have suggestions or observations about this problem will use this opportunity to express their thoughts."

Sullivan will chair the hearing, and those who wish to speak will have the opportunity. The hearing will follow a two-day symposium on campus alcohol use that is being held at William and Mary. Attorney General Earley holds both undergraduate and law degrees from the College.

## Zable Parking Lot Unavailable May 4

The parking lot at Zable Stadium will be unavailable from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 4, due to Olde Guard Day activities. Faculty, staff and students should plan to park elsewhere during those hours. Call Parking Services at 221-4764 with any questions.

## Wallace Named Outstanding Educator

Wanda Wallace, the John N. Dalton Professor of Business Administration, has been selected by the Virginia Society of CPAs in cooperation with the Educational Institutions Committee as Outstanding Educator of the Year.

The award, in recognition of Wallace's excellence in classroom teaching and active involvement in the accounting profession, will be presented May 14. The society recognizes one person each year, from a list of state-wide nominees.

## Schoenberger Wins NYU Press Poetry Prize

The New York University Press Prize for Poetry will be awarded on April 28 to Nancy Schoenberger, associate professor of English, for her poetry collection *Long Like a River*. More than 500 manuscripts were entered into the contest. The prize acknowledges fine works of literature and poetry by writers whose work, though often already known, remains under-recognized relative to its quality and ambition. Schoenberger teaches creative and nonfiction writing at the College and edits the transatlantic poetry journal *Verse*. With her husband, Sam Kashner, an adjunct assistant professor at the College, she is the author of *Hollywood Kryptonite: The Bulldog, The Lady and The Death of Superman* and *A Talent for Genius: The Life and Times of Oscar Levant*, which inspired an episode of A&E's "Biography."

## campus news

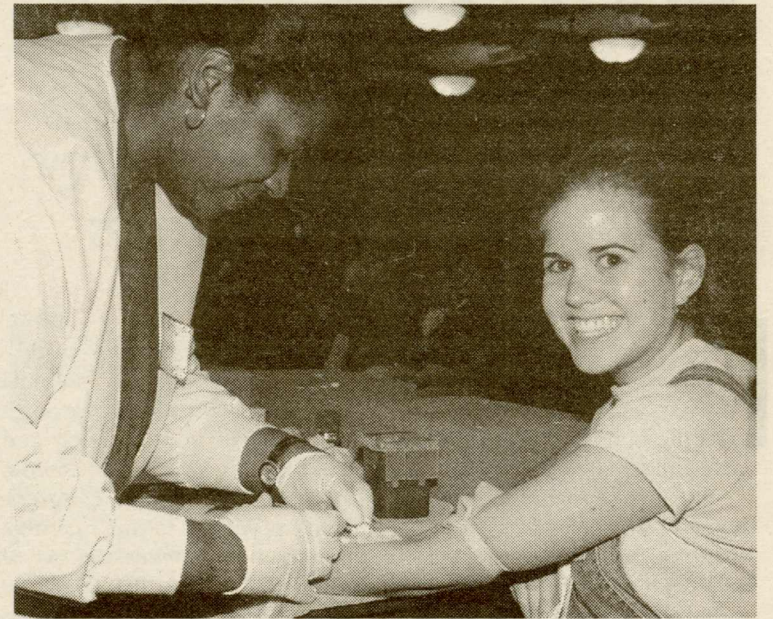
# Bone Marrow Drive Adds 736 To National Registry

A record-setting 736 students, faculty, staff and members of the local community took part on April 9 in the University Center in the seventh annual Alan Bukzin Memorial Bone Marrow Drive.

The participation level was a jump of more than 250 people from last year, making the drive the largest on any college campus in the nation. Setting another record, 111 people of minority heritage turned out this year to have their blood drawn, typed and entered into the national bone marrow registry.

"It was really amazing how every single aspect of the William and Mary and local communities were so supportive of the drive this year," said senior Karen Silverberg, who chaired the student committee that organized the drive. "The fact that so many people took time out of their day to get entered into the registry was especially inspiring, considering that some may very well save a life a few years down the road."

More than \$25,000 in donations was raised this year from benefit concerts, car washes and individuals to defray the cost of each



A nurse draws a blood sample from sophomore Trisha Ripley to be typed and entered into the national bone marrow registry.

\$40 test. Included in that figure was an anonymous \$5,000 challenge grant from a community member, which was matched by a local foundation.

Since the William and Mary program began, more than 400 potential matches and 18 actual donor matches have been made,

a success rate unsurpassed by any other individual drive effort.

In 1995, the American Red Cross awarded William and Mary the Zumwalt Community Award for its efforts in finding donors. ■

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# New Scholarships In Chemistry, Biology Funded

The Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation of Irvine, Calif., has presented the College of William and Mary three Beckman Scholars Program Institutional Awards totaling \$52,800. The College will award the scholarships to three outstanding sophomore or junior biology or chemistry students this year.

After an exhaustive review of 800 institutions, the foundation invited 172 schools to submit applications and recommended 20 universities and colleges to receive 73 scholarships. In addition to William and Mary, the recipients include the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wellesley College, Northwestern University, Williams College, the University of California-Berkeley and Stanford University.

"It is indeed an honor to be among the most prestigious colleges and universities in the nation receiving these scholarships," said Provost Gillian Cell. "William and Mary's biology and chemistry departments have always been strong. And our commitment to undergraduate research and collaboration between students and faculty has long been a priority. It's nice to be affirmed in the national arena for some of the things

we do best."

Each Beckman Scholar will receive funding for two 10-week summers of in-depth, faculty-mentored laboratory research that should be considered "potentially publishable." The award also supports 10 hours per week of research during one academic year. When their research is complete, Beckman Scholars and their faculty mentors will attend a three-day research symposium, sponsored by the Beckman Foundation, where they will present their findings to their peers and attend presentations by leading scientists from industry, academia and national government laboratories.

"The foundation believes these experiences will significantly advance the education, research training and personal development of these student participants," said Dr. L. Donald Shields, chair of the Beckman Scholars Advisory Panel. "The foundation's expectation is that the Beckman Scholars Program will add stature and stimulate greater awareness of the importance of providing quality undergraduate research opportunities at our nation's universities and colleges."

Established in 1977, the Arnold and Mabel Beckman

Foundation supports cutting-edge research in chemistry and the life sciences, with a focus on fostering the invention of methods, instruments and materials that open up new avenues of research in the sciences. The foundation is named for scientist, inventor and philanthropist Arnold Beckman and his late wife, Mabel. Since its inception, the foundation has given more than \$300 million to fund science research and encourage the work of young scientists. ■

by Amy Ruth.

## Readership Survey Continues

The *William and Mary News* is still collecting readership surveys. The brief anonymous questionnaire can be filled out at <http://www.wm.edu/wmnews/survey.html>.



## government

# Simulating Democracy

Larry Evans makes the workings of Congress come to life through role-playing exercises

If Congressional leaders can't get together on the major issues of the day, maybe they should contact the students in Larry Evans' government class.

As part of elaborate simulation exercises in the past couple of years, they've balanced the budget and dealt with the problems of welfare and tax reform, passing bills in seven out of eight tries. And on Tuesday they caucused in the Board of Visitors room in Blow Memorial Hall to debate and vote on campaign finance reform.

Tim Dutterer and Michelle Craven may just be *playing* the role of Newt Gingrich, speaker of the House of Representatives, but they had to be ready to approach Tuesday's debate from the perspective of the conservative Republican with a complete knowledge of the campaign finance bill. After all, the Democrats, headed by Minority Leader Dick Gephardt in the persons of Mike Bozzo and Mandy Lake, made worthy opponents.

"Basically," said Bozzo in his role as Gephardt in the debate, "the Republicans are taking the meat out of the sandwich and tossing the moldy bread to the people."

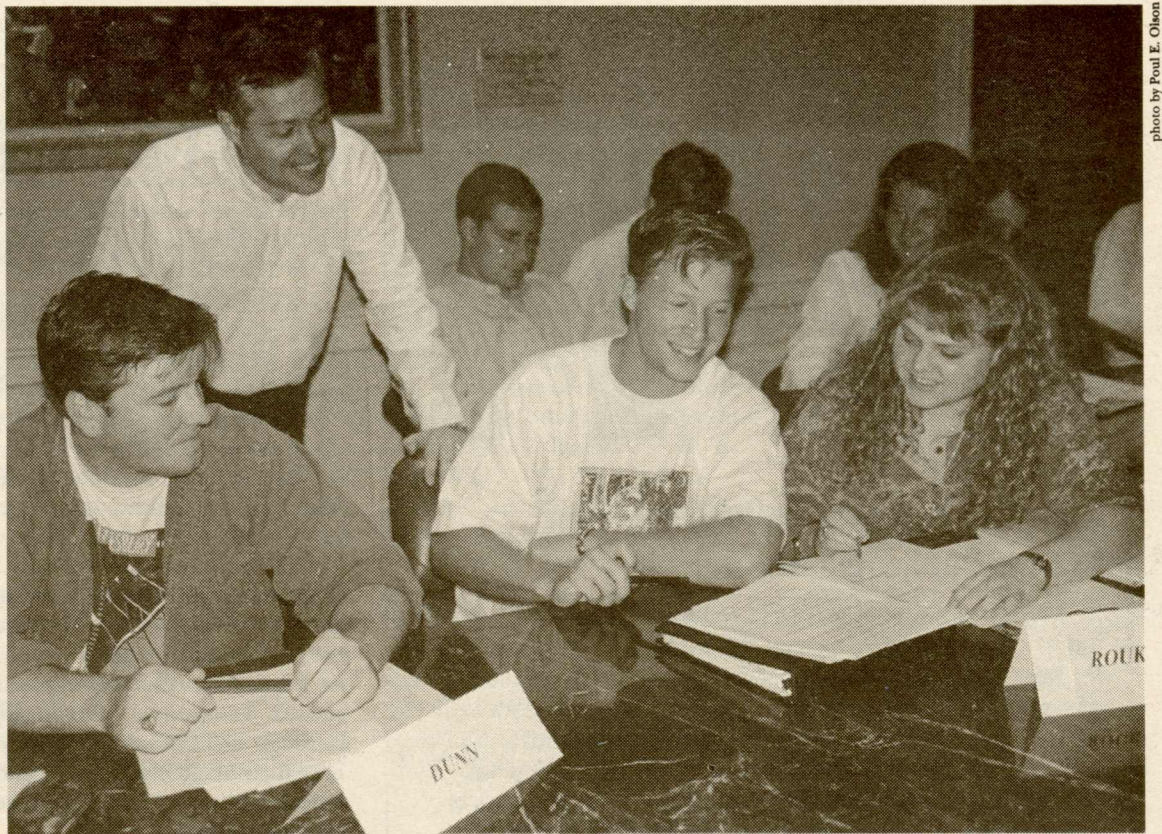
The students had been preparing for this day all semester. Under Professor Evans' tutelage and guidance, that meant studying a copy of a comprehensive campaign finance proposal pro-

vided by the Brookings Institution, researching the political views and constituency pressures of Gephardt and Gingrich and coming up with realistic amendments to reflect the congressmen's positions. In the final step, they had to practice the art of compromise with the 30 to 40 other "politicians" in the room to finesse a bill that would garner enough votes to pass.

Not that passing a bill was essential to their grade. What was more important, says Evans, was the quality of their presentations. Nor do their personal political beliefs matter much in the roles they play. "I don't assign them roles according to their political commitment," explains Evans, who adds, however, that the students "tend to get into their roles. Some may complain about their role when being asked to play a certain politician but they get over it. That's life!"

Evans, who has written two books on the congressional process, decided to include legislative simulations in his classes during a research leave on the staff of House of Representatives heavyweight Lee Hamilton, a Democrat from Indiana who is retiring this year after 34 years in the Congress.

After each election, Evans says, Congressional leaders bring freshman legislators to Williamsburg to go through similar simulations in



Associate Professor of Government Larry Evans (rear) assigns each student the role of a specific congressman whose positions must be represented in simulated committee hearings.

an effort to teach them how Congress works. "The legislators and staff I spoke with all benefited from these exercises," said Evans, "and I thought that William and Mary students would too."

"It's more effective than the 'talking head' approach to lecturing, where students regurgitate what you tell them on an exam and then forget what you said 10 minutes later," observes Evans. Adds sophomore Mike Pickens: "You learn and retain a lot more because you are involved in the process, you see how the committees work and the outcome of the policy. And anything interactive is more enjoyable and fun."

Evans learned first-hand about how Congress operates when he went to Capitol Hill to serve on Hamilton's staff in the fall of 1991 as an American Political Science Association Fellow. Initially, Hamilton, who was chairing the House Foreign Affairs Committee, assigned him to research the Information Classification System, which stipulates how government

documents are classified. Hamilton and Evans turned up many examples of how the system was abused, including one in which an ambassador classified a menu for a dinner he was giving so that guests would be surprised by the food. Evans helped organize a hearing about these issues that was covered on the front page of the *Washington Post*.

Evans' next project was even more educational. Hamilton assigned him to work on a proposal to set up a committee to study congressional reform and make recommendations for change. This proposal was a low priority item until the House Banking and the Post Office scandals broke and the House Ethics Committee published the names of congressmen who had bounced checks and abused their postal privileges.

"Then everyone wanted to be a co-sponsor of our proposal," says Evans, adding that even those who had bounced checks signed on to the idea since elections were coming up and they wanted to show

they favored reform.

Although Evans' fellowship ended just as the congressional reform process picked up speed, he accepted a request from Hamilton to stay on as one of five principal staffers to work for the temporary reform committee. Over the next year, he helped run 38 separate hearings at which more than 240 witnesses appeared, including 170 members of Congress. Then, Evans helped draft the committee's recommendations and organize a member retreat in Annapolis, Md., designed to bring all of the parties together out of the limelight of the press to support a reform bill. Toward the end of the process, Evans remembers that "I didn't see my family for three-and-a-half weeks."

All of the work initially came to nothing, however, when the Democratic leadership rejected the reform bill over the issue of minority party rights, which would have increased the ability of the minority

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## 10-Year-Old Hears Music In Poetry

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Now at age 10, Ben Nicholls has already accomplished what most professional composers can only hope to do in their careers. In the latest demonstration of his gifted musical ability, Ben recently joined with his father in writing a five-movement piece titled "Songs of the Spirit" for the Botetourt Chamber Singers. The work will be performed April 30 and May 2 in Phi Beta Kappa Hall as part of the William and Mary Choir's annual Spring Concert.

In composing the purely vocal piece for the 15-member chamber

group, Ben and his dad chose selections of poetry by Thomas Hood, William Blake and others to address the relationship among Spirit, God and Nature.

"These songs are very much about the way that Nature affects the human spirit," explained Ben. "William Blake's poem 'Auguries of Innocence,' for instance, tells us that if you abuse animals or other living creatures, it hurts every living thing."

In another of the work's movements adapted from the words of Thomas Hood's poem "Silence," Ben and his father ask the audience to consider the difference between the sound of silence in death and life.

"The issue of sound and silence and what they mean to a musician are beautiful for the analogy that we might see in our own inner lives and existence," said Jamie

Armstrong, director of choirs.

Neither Ben nor David follows any one particular strand or discipline of music as their style of composition. "We have never really fitted into that mold," said David, who describes his son's style as slightly less eclectic than his own. "We write pieces appropriate to the situation."

While music remains the focus of his vocational aspirations, Ben's interests have diversified in recent years to include architecture and the law. "In an ideal world, I'd definitely pursue composing at university. But it's really difficult to make a living at it," said Ben, who is currently writing a musical. "Now I'm thinking that I like architecture, especially after seeing the Museum of Modern Art in New York City."

A scholar of the American radical movement of 20th-century

music and British rock, Ben's father is also an accomplished composer in his own right. David has had his works performed in Europe, Australia and England. Most recently, a 40-minute cantata that he composed called "Jerusalem" aired on British Broadcasting Company radio.

The likes of Joni Mitchell and Peter, Paul and Mary may seem a bit unusual for a 10-year-old to listen to for fun. But to Ben, their music has a distinct richness that a composer must appreciate. "All I've ever asked him to do," said his father, "is listen to everything with an open ear." ■

by Poul E. Olson

## campus crime report

### February-March 1998

larceny	Feb.	Mar.
From motor vehicles	1	0
Bicycles	6	4
From buildings	8	8
Other	2	2
arrests		
Larceny	2	1
Breaking & entering	0	1
Drug abuse violations	4	0
Driving under the influence	3	2
Drunk in public	5	0
Vandalism	0	2
Miscellaneous	3	3
Summons (traffic)	83	89



## campus news

# Library Expansion Moves Ahead

*Ground to be broken tomorrow*

A library for the 21st century will begin to take shape at the College of William and Mary tomorrow when ground is broken on a 98,000-square-foot expansion of the Earl Gregg Swem Library. The ceremony begins at 3:30 p.m. on the east side of the building and the public is invited to attend.

Six years in the planning, the project is made possible by a \$24.082-million state appropriation recently approved by the General Assembly and Gov. James Gilmore. The money will also fund the renovation of the existing library.

"This project couldn't have been possible without the hard work and support of the General Assembly, Gov. Gilmore and the entire William and Mary community," said President Timothy Sullivan. "The renovation and expansion will finally enable us to have a library worthy of a great university in the technological age."

Space has been a growing problem at Swem Library in recent years as collections have expanded and new technology has been added. Despite the increased use of compact shelving and the opening of a new off-campus stacks facility for

books and other materials, the library's capacity has been stretched far beyond its original design.

The existing facility has also been unable to keep pace with the technological needs of a modern academic library.

"When Swem's original building was designed in the early 1960s, no one envisioned the modern information revolution that transformed the concept of the academic library and the way libraries are used," explained Connie Kearns McCarthy, dean of university libraries. "Since then, Swem's building has been pushed, shoved and tweaked to accommodate the technological age. But the limits of that patchwork approach have been reached."

The library expansion will equal roughly half the size of the existing building and consist of two side-by-side pavilions, one four stories and the other three stories high. The pavilions will be located to the east of the existing library, on the Millington Hall side. The bottom floor of each structure will be underground.

Providing much-needed space for the library's collections, the larger of the two pavilions will make extensive use of compact

shelving to provide ample room for collection growth and will include group study rooms for students to use in working on collaborative assignments.

The Warren E. Burger Special Collections Library, whose construction will also be supported by \$6 million in private money, will span 20,000 square feet in the smaller pavilion and house the library's rare books, manuscripts and the College's archives.

Once the two pavilions are built, renovation of the existing Swem Library will take place. The entire project should be completed within four years.

Forming the centerpiece of the renovated facility will be an "Information Commons" featuring computer terminals linked to a number of databases, the Internet and local electronic resources.

Throughout the renovated library, users will also find carrels and group study rooms outfitted with connections to the College's high-speed campus network and the Internet.

Of the \$6-million goal in private support for the construction of the Special Collections wing, \$4.436 million has already been raised.

Tomorrow's groundbreaking will feature remarks from President Timothy Sullivan, live music and ice cream. ■

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The architect's rendering of the expanded Swem Library.

## Government Class Simulates Congress

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party to participate in legislating. Ironically, after the 1994 congressional election, when Congress changed hands, the Republicans passed most of the committee's reforms on the first day of the new session, in January 1995.

Evans, however, came away from the experience with a more positive opinion of Congress, which he says is not "the cesspool

of corruption" that many citizens think it is. "Most members of Congress are good people with high ethical standards," says Evans. "Unfortunately, the popular view that Congress is corrupt undermines public support for what it does and makes it harder for congressmen to deal with pressing national problems."

That's one lesson Evans is teaching his class through the simulation approach. After a semester of reading bills, playing the role of a representative or a senator, studying their voting records thoroughly, writing amendments and debating with equally dedi-

cated opposition legislators, the students come out with a new respect for the democratic process. Michelle Craven, one of the Gingrich role players, says there is disagreement even within her own party over campaign finance reform.

But, adds Evans, the simulations make learning interesting.

"Everybody likes to play games, so if you can combine that with learning you can really motivate people," he says.

Adds Craven: "It's a lot of work, but it's also a lot of fun!" ■

by S. Dean Olson

## modern languages

# A Trendy Tongue

*Success of language contests highlights growing popularity of Japanese*

For students of any foreign language, practice makes perfect. And for students of Japanese, a great deal of practice was needed to prepare for the College's first Japanese speech contest, held on Feb. 28, and to take first prize in Duke University's Japanese language contest on April 18.

Sponsored by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures and the East Asian Studies Committee, the College event featured three- to five-minute original speeches on any subject of the students' choosing. Nineteen undergraduates volunteered to participate in the contest and spoke on topics such as their winter vacation, "My Parents' Love" and "The Time I Climbed Mt. Fuji."

At another contest at Duke University held last Saturday, the William and Mary team claimed first prize, with freshman Jan Dornbush sharing the top award in the 400-level competition.

Interest in Japanese, which is available as a minor, has burgeoned in recent years as more students have become involved in the College's international studies and international relations programs. Currently, some 90 students take Japanese courses, with about one-half at the 100 level.

"These days, students are very interested in Asia—and Japan in particular," explained Assistant Professor Faye Kleeman, who teaches advanced Japanese literature courses. "Their interest in Japan is more diverse, more sophisticated. They try to explore all areas of the country's culture."

This year, as part of its ongoing drive to develop new courses in film and literature, the Japanese program added classes in 20th-century Japanese fiction and upper-level reading. In the fall, the first freshman seminar on Japanese literature will be offered, which Kleeman hopes will attract more students early in their college career.

Why aren't more students taking Japanese? Kleeman doesn't think it's the perceived difficulty of the language, but rather the limited exposure most students have to the language before coming to William and Mary.

"I don't think Japanese is particularly difficult, even though the writing system is different," she said. "It really has to do with the structure of the secondary schools—students just don't have access to the language, which makes it seem more remote."

Citing the value of language contests, Kleeman believes that the exercises provide students a competitive forum to demonstrate their command of the language and to provide an incentive for them to refine their skills.

"These contests allow them to get some basic experience, and later they will refine and practice their speeches with the help of their teachers."

And the success at Duke suggests that many William and Mary students are benefiting from the opportunity.

"We are trying to raise the visibility of the language," said Kleeman. "We encourage everyone to learn about Japan." ■

by Jessica Cordes  
Special to the News



Freshman Susan Moreno speaks on "My Winter Vacation" during the College's language contest.

photo by Jessica Cordes



## english

## Noted Wordsmiths Headline Writers' Festival

Students, faculty, local residents and even some tourists converged on campus earlier this month to listen to a raft of prize-winning poets and

authors at the 21st annual Patrick Hayes Writers' Festival.

"It was nice to see a cross section of local people who had such a wide array of responses, from de-

light to bewilderment," said Assistant Professor of English David Essex, the organizer of the event.

Funded primarily by an endowment established by the late philanthropist Patrick Hayes, this year's festival centered on writers with close ties to William and Mary and began on March 31 with readings by English professors Henry Hart, Nancy Schoenberger and Sam Kashner. Later that evening, alumnus Mike D'Orso (B.A. '75, M.A. '81) spoke about collaborative writing and read from his forthcoming work, *Walking With the Wind*, a biography of congressman and civil rights leader John Lewis.

Christopher Bram '74, who has written articles, screenplays and six novels, presented his work

on April 1 and read from his most recent book, *Gossip*, a collection of stories focusing on scandal and intrigue in Washington, D. C., and told through the eyes of a gay protagonist, Ralph Eckhart.

Cornelius Eady and Sheri Reynolds, former faculty members at the College, also appeared on April 1. Eady has written five books of poetry, including *Victims of the Latest Dance Craze* and *The Gathering of My Name*.

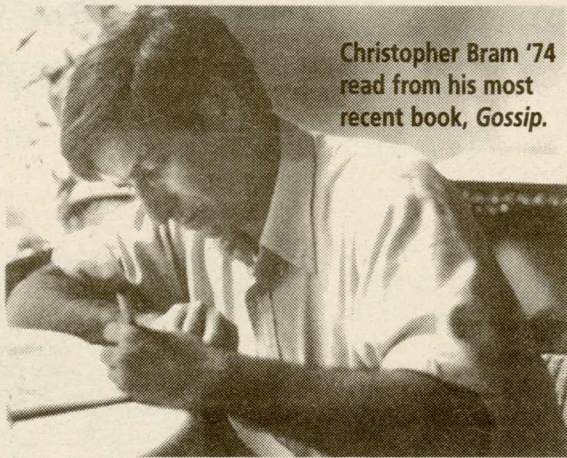
Reynolds, whose book *The Rapture of Canaan* was named Book of the Month by talk show host Oprah Winfrey last spring, read selections from her most recent novel, *A Gracious Plenty*, which tells the story of Finch Nobles, the victim of a horrible childhood scalding that left her scarred for life.

Albert Murray, scholar, novelist and music historian who is recognized as one of America's prominent men of letters, rounded out the festival with a reading from his novels complemented by selections from classic jazz albums and a discussion of the relationship between his writing and the music.

Senior James Wilkinson, who attended the festival, lauded the broad range of media—from journalism and non-fiction to fiction—represented this year. "I have been to the festival for several years and thought this was the most engaging yet."

Added Essex, "Given Mr. Hayes' generous gift, the writer's festival seems to be in its ascendance. We're doing more and better events each year." ■

by Brian Halleberg



Christopher Bram '74 read from his most recent book, *Gossip*.

## career services

## Salesmanship 101

Local retirees and professionals help students to develop job interviewing skills

Mike Stephens and Ken Lyon have never met a William and Mary student whose résumé didn't impress them. But when it comes to convincing a prospective employer of their exceptional talents and skills, the pair have found students often lacking in their inclination to sell themselves.

Stephens and Lyon are trying to do something to change that. The retirees, both of whom worked for major corporations during their careers, are among 15 volunteers from the community who lead a mock interview program sponsored by the Office of Career Services. Last semester, nearly 70 students representing a variety of concentrations took part in the experience, which features a simulated job interview followed by an intensive critique.

Like Stephens, who worked for 25 years at IBM, and Lyon, a former Air Force intelligence officer and business consultant, the volunteers all have extensive professional experience and share in the belief that the job interview boils down essentially to an exercise in salesmanship. Those who are most effective in selling an employer on their strengths and skills typically get the job.

"William and Mary students are often very qualified, but they don't know how to present themselves in an effective way," said Stephens, who recruited students on college campuses while at IBM. "They have a tendency not to let their light shine from under the bushel when they're in the interview."

Preparation, of course, is essential to a successful interview. Students need to understand what an employer is looking for and, more importantly, how their own skills and experience match his or her needs.

The job interview, explained Stephens, is not the time for enumerating a lengthy job or educational history, which can be gleaned from a résumé. "If you've gotten to the interview stage, then clearly the employer thinks you're qualified for the job," he said. "What they're looking for are signs of leadership and indications that you've made a difference."

Stephens and Lyon find that students often sell themselves short when explaining their accomplishments and especially their employment history. Most students have only worked hourly summer jobs, which they don't think employers will find impressive.

"It's not the job itself that matters, but rather what you accomplished in it," said Stephens, who also runs a group seminar on interviewing for career services. "Interviewers are looking for evidence of what made you special [in that job] and how you'll stand out for their company."

To that end, Stephens and Lyon tell students to illustrate their distinctiveness with concrete examples and to prepare three or four anecdotes about themselves that can be woven into the interview. A College student, for instance, who had a summer job selling cider and cookies at Colonial Williamsburg made a particularly profound impression on Stephens

during a mock interview when she explained her success in increasing sales by 125 percent. The woman took the initiative to keep the items replenished hourly rather than waiting for them to run out, thus maintaining sales unabated.

The most successful applicants are also those who don't give cliché answers. "In all my years of doing interviews," said Stephens, "I've never heard anyone say they don't like to work hard or they don't get along with people."

Lyon describes the job interviewer as the "gatekeeper" whose support is essential to securing a job. "We emphasize to students that it's very important to develop a rapport with the interviewer so he'll want to invite you back and show you off to his supervisor," said Lyon.

Rather than simply responding to their questions, Stephens

and Lyon encourage students to interact with the interviewer and to stimulate a dialogue. One of the best means for doing this, they recommend, is for students to tack on their own question about the position or company when responding to the interviewer's question.

"When you walk into the room, you're your own cheerleader," said Lyon. "The people who know how to present themselves best most always get the jobs."

Stephens and Lyon have noticed that female students take advantage of the mock interview program in significantly higher numbers than their male colleagues. They believe the trend owes in large part to an overconfident sense on the part of men that they don't need help in interviewing.

"Overall the best and brightest seem to take advantage of this pro-

gram," said Lyon. "They realize here's a tool available to them and they want to learn."

While most students seek out the program to hone their job interviewing skills, applicants to medical school also take part to prepare for their admission interviews.

"The process is the same no matter whether you're trying to get a job or get into medical school. You have to know how to sell yourself," said Lyon.

Current or retired professionals in the community who would like to volunteer in the mock job interview program should call Barbara McGrann in the Office of Career Services at 221-3233. ■

by Poul E. Olson

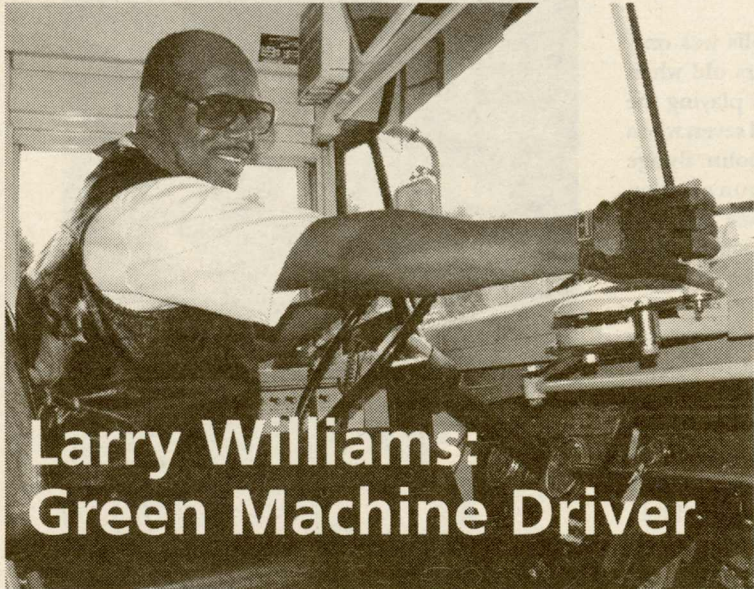


Ken Lyon (left) and Mike Stephens offer senior Silvana Rossi advice on how to sell herself to potential employers during the interview process.

photo by Poul E. Olson



## staff spotlight



## Larry Williams: Green Machine Driver

**Number of years at William and Mary:** 13

**Background:** A mechanic by trade, Williams moved in 1976 from Williamsburg, his hometown, to New Jersey, where he worked as a maintenance worker in a mall. He moved back to Williamsburg four-and-a-half years later and took a job at the Williamsburg Hilton. On the recommendation of several friends who worked at William and Mary, Williams was hired as a bus driver in the College's transportation department in 1985.

**Best part of your job:** "I enjoy the students tremendously, especially hearing about where they come from and all the places they've been. It's great hearing those stories and having the opportunity to travel through their eyes. When you do the job that I have done for so long, it gets boring. But the students make it worth my while."

**Most memorable moment in your job:** "I remember when I had the opportunity to become friends with Sen. Spang. I would pick him up at his home or office and drive

him to meetings at the law school. It was great getting to know him. Sometimes when we showed up early, I would take him shoe shopping at the mall. I liked him a lot, and I was hurt when he passed so suddenly."

**Worst part of your job:** "Having to do the same stops and routes over and over."

**Hobbies:** Repairing and painting automobiles, riding his Honda Goldwing and volunteering in the community through the Buffalo Boyz', a Baptist Christian motorcycle club. Williams describes the group's 25 members as his family. The organization sponsors a host of fund-raisers in the community and works with the elderly and disadvantaged youth. Most recently, the Boyz' awarded a scholarship to a Bruton High School football player to attend a training camp. "We try to get people involved in different aspects of community service," Williams said. "We're a great bunch of guys and we're really proud of what we do."

**Your hero:** "God. When things seem to be at their worst, I can pray, and he answers all my prayers."

*If you know of an employee who would be a good subject for Staff Spotlight, call 221-2639 or email the William and Mary News at [wmnews@mail.wm.edu](mailto:wmnews@mail.wm.edu).*

## Drought Contributed To Hardship At Jamestown

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months analyzing the existing core samples, which covered the period between 1185 and 1984, for information about rainfall and temperatures during the Tidewater growing season. Archaeologists from William and Mary's Center for Archaeological Research did extensive historical and archaeological research into past Tidewater climate conditions. The groups then correlated and interpreted the data.

"The tree-ring data indicate the extraordinary drought conditions that attended the settlement of both the Roanoke and Jamestown Colonies," the *Science* article says. A tree growth anomaly map for the period 1587-1589, for example, shows that the Lost Colony drought affected the entire southeastern United States, but was particularly severe in the Tidewater region near Roanoke. The cypress growth anomaly map for the Jamestown drought, 1606-1612, reveals that the most severe drought conditions during that period occurred in the Tidewater region near Jamestown. (An anomaly map illustrates specific conditions—in this case growing-season precipitation—over a certain geographical area.)

"The Roanoke and Jamestown colonies have both been criticized

for poor planning, poor support, and for a startling indifference to their own subsistence," concluded the writers in *Science*. "But the tree-ring reconstruction indicates that even the best planned and supported colony would have been supremely challenged by the climatic conditions of 1587-1589 and 1606-1612."

The Jamestown drought, for instance, decimated corn crops on which the colonists depended and aggravated tense relations with the native Powhatan Indians. Blanton speculated that when the Indians could not supply food to the colonists as promised, hard feelings followed and conflict erupted. The dates of at least two Anglo-Indian wars correlate perfectly with the droughts, he said.

Drought also affected the quality of the colony's critical water supply. "Poor water quality is another factor implicated in the ill health suffered at Jamestown, and water quality at Jamestown is poorest during drought," said the *Science* article. "The lower James River is a brackish estuary, and there are archival references to foul drinking water and associated illnesses among the settlers, particularly before 1613."

During the drought, many people starved, and some of the Jamestown colonists eventually resorted to cannibalism. Citing a staggering death toll that nearly forced abandonment of the

colony, the *Science* article notes that "only 38 of the 104 original settlers were still alive after the first year at Jamestown, and 4,800 out of the 6,000 settlers sent to Jamestown between 1607 and 1625 died during this extraordinary period."

"The colonists were expected to live off the land and off trade and tribute from the Indians. But this subsistence system would have left the colonists extremely vulnerable during drought."

Members of the Roanoke Colony—last seen in August of 1587—are thought to have been similarly afflicted by extreme drought from 1587 to 1589, the area's driest three-year period in 800 years.

"I am not an environmental determinist," said Blanton. "Other factors clearly played a role in the demise of the Roanoke Island settlers and the hardships of those at Jamestown, but the droughts were certainly among the most serious problems both groups faced."

"Only multidisciplinary research could lead to such exciting discoveries as these," he added. "History, archaeology or climatology alone could not have reached these conclusions, but a combination of the disciplines enabled us to discover these significant patterns." ■

by Peggy Shaw

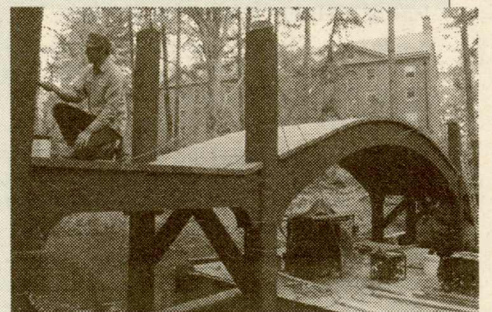
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# note

### Crim Dell Bridge Nearing Completion

Work on the replacement Crim Dell Bridge will be completed in time for the traditional Senior Walk across campus at Commencement on May 17. Under construction since early January, the replacement bridge is identical to the original with the exception of having higher hand and guard rails, to comply with current building codes. The original bridge was closed last spring and ultimately demolished because of concerns over its stability.



A painter puts a finishing coat on a new post.

### MBA Team Places Second In Competition

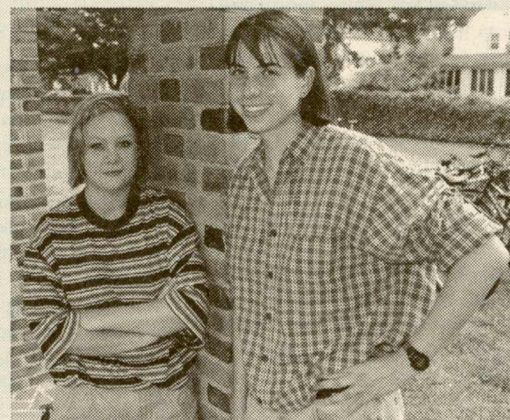
A group of eight students in the master's of business administration program placed second earlier this month in the national KBMG Case Competition at George Washington University. The team competed against 19 other colleges in the competition, which focused on the development of a performance evaluation system case for Habitat for Humanity. Professor Herrington Bryce served as the team's faculty advisor.

### Adventure Program Open To Children

This summer the Department of Kinesiology will offer an adventure program for children 10 years and older. Based on the department's popular "Adventure Games" classes, the morning program will be held over four consecutive days and includes a ropes course, rappelling and sport rock climbing. The program is open to the children of College employees and their friends. Sessions are as follows: June 22-26 for 10- to 12-year-olds; June 29-July 3 for 13- and 14-year-olds; and July 6-10 for participants 15 years old and up. For more information and an application, contact Sylvia Shirley at 221-2787 or via email at [sxshir@facstaff.wm.edu](mailto:sxshir@facstaff.wm.edu).

### Two Seniors Selected For Peace Corps

Seniors Kathleen Lavelle (left) and Lucy Wichlacz and will spend their first two years out of school as Peace Corps volunteers, promoting health education in Togo and teaching English in Poland, respectively. In June, Wichlacz, an anthropology major, and Lavelle, a biology and anthropology major, join the 265 William and Mary alumni who have served in the Peace Corps. Mark Gearan, director of the Peace Corps, served as the keynote speaker for Convocation exercises last year at the College.





# Calendar

## April 23

**4-5 p.m.** Lecture: "Women Had a Renaissance, But We Only Just Discovered It: New Sources and Conclusions," Diana Robin, professor of classics and director of comparative literature and cultural studies, University of New Mexico. Washington 201. 221-3751.

**5-7 p.m.** Open House at Richard Bland College, Petersburg, Va. Interested and accepted students and their families are invited. 804-862-6231.

## April 24

**3-4 p.m.** Chemistry seminar: "Quantum Mechanics," Steve Schwartz, Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Rogers 100. 221-2548.

**3-4:30 p.m.** Lecture: "(Re)Thinking Gender: Oba Minako's *Postmodern Tales of Men and Women*," Michiko Wilson, University of Virginia. Reves Center. 221-2167.

**3:30 p.m.** Groundbreaking for Swem Library expansion featuring remarks by President Sullivan, live music and ice cream. East side of building. Open to the public. See p. 5.

**3:30 p.m.** Psychology colloquium: "Neuro-behavioral Effects of Pediatric Lead Exposure," Richard Canfield, Cornell University, Millington 211. 221-3872.

**4 p.m.** Physics colloquium: "The Second Superstring Revolution," John Schwarz, California Institute of Technology. Small 109. 221-3500.

## April 24, May 1

**3:30 p.m.** VIMS-SMS Spring Seminar Series: "Ecology of Seagrass Meadows: Some Contrary Views on 'Nursery Roles,' the Importance of Herbivory, and the Effects of Nutrient Enrichment and Overfishing," Ken Heck, Dauphin Island Sea Lab (April 24). "From Oyster Disease to Striped Bass Nutrition," Fu-Lin Chu, VIMS (May 1). Watermen's Hall Auditorium. 804-684-7011.

## April 25

Earth Day. VIMS aquarium and visitor center will be open with special activities on campus. 804-684-7011.

**Noon-5 p.m.** VIMS Open House to celebrate International Year of the Ocean. Lab tours, exhibits and demonstrations. Free and open to the public.

## April 28-29

**8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.** National Symposium on Campus Alcohol Practices, coordinated by Thomas

Goodale. Admission \$100 for both days or \$50 for one day. University Center. 221-2350.

## April 28, May 5

**12:15 p.m.** William and Mary Christian Faculty Fellowship (WMCFF). Colony Room, University Center. 221-3523.

## April 28

**8 p.m.** Performance by William and Mary Concert Band, featuring "Now Showing," a composition by Edgar Williams, associate professor of music. Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. 221-1000.

## April 29

**Noon-5 p.m.** Open house at the Alumni Center for faculty and staff, featuring guided tours, tastings from the new *By the Sea* cookbook and a raffle for a \$100 gift certificate for the Alumni Gift Shop. 221-1170.

**3 p.m.** Public hearing on alcohol abuse, part of attorney general's Task Force on Drinking by College Students. Tidewater Rooms A&B, University Center.

**8 p.m.** Spring concert: William and Mary Symphony Orchestra will showcase the College's senior musicians. Free and open to the public. Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. 221-1089.

## April 30

**7 p.m.** VIMS' Crestar 1998 Public Lecture Series: "What Rivers Give to the Oceans," Charles A. Nittrouer, Marine Sciences Research Center, State University of New York. Watermen's Hall Auditorium. (804) 684-7107. Free bus for students, will leave Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall at 6 p.m. to attend lecture. Reserve a seat by calling Britt Anderson at 221-3135.

## April 30, May 2

**8 p.m.** Spring concert by the William and Mary Choir, Women's Chorus and Botetourt Chamber Singers. General admission \$5, students \$2. Tickets available at PBK box office beginning April 27. Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. 221-2674. See story above.

## May 1

**10 a.m.-3 p.m.** Virginia Tidewater Consortium for Higher Education's "Educational, Employment and Business Opportunity Fair." Free admission. Norfolk Scope, Exhibit Hall D. 757-683-2312.

**10 a.m.-6 p.m.** Members of the senior class are invited to ring the Wren Building bell. 221-1236.

**B**en Nicholls was only three years old when he started playing the piano and seven when he took up the violin. By age eight, he had begun composing music and just last year won a national competition in Great Britain by writing a new sea shanty.

"They were only looking for the words, but Ben wrote the music as well," said his dad, David, a visiting professor of music from Keele University, England. "It was quite a sight to see 3,000 children performing Ben's piece in the Royal Albert Hall."

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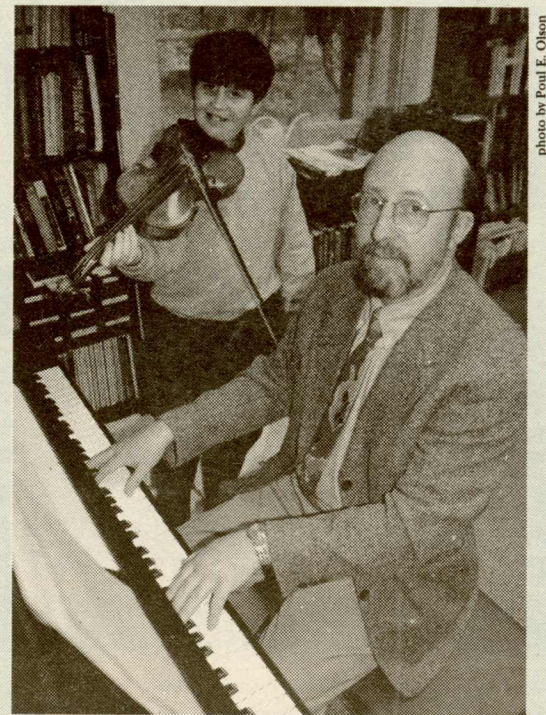


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## Father-Son Team Composes Music For Choral Spring Concert

## May 1, 7

**5:30-7 p.m.** (May 1) Opening reception for exhibit "Diversity! Studio Art Quilts" and accompanying mini-exhibit "Weather Permitting." Muscarelle Museum. **4:30-6:30 p.m.** (May 7) A slide and improvisational art quilting demonstration will be given by Sherri Wood, artist and quilt maker. Muscarelle Museum. 221-2703.

## May 7

**11 a.m.-1 p.m.** and **2-4 p.m.** Safe Zone Virginia training sessions for any interested faculty and staff, to create a safer and freer campus environment for gay, lesbian, and bisexual people. To reserve a space, call Allison Wildridge at 221-3179 or email her at axwild@facstaff.wm.edu.

## rec sports

## April 25-26

**All day.** William & Mary Ultimate Frisbee Invitational Tournament, 30+ team regional tournament; Intramural, Dillard and Busch Grass fields; Berkeley Middle School field; Eastern State Hospital field.

## sports

### April 23

**4 p.m.** Women's lacrosse vs. Maryland

### April 24

**1:30 p.m.** Baseball vs. VCU (DH)

### April 25

**1 p.m.** Baseball vs. VCU

### May 1

**3 p.m.** Baseball vs. Elon

### May 2

**1 p.m.** Baseball vs. Elon

For additional information, call 221-3368.

## community

## May 5

**7 p.m.** Public discussion of Tai Chi. Unitarian Church, Ironbound Road. 259-0398 or 566-0040.

## WILLIAM & MARY NEWS

The next issue of the *William & Mary News* will be published on Thursday, May 7. Deadline for submission of items is 5 p.m. on Friday, May 1, although submissions before the deadline are encouraged. Call 221-2639 with any questions or concerns. For information about classified advertising, call 221-2644. Ads are only accepted from faculty, staff, students and alumni.

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### FOR SALE

Kingsmill—3-BR, 2-1/2-bath townhome with private courtyard and golf course view. Immaculate condition with new carpeting, roof; freshly painted. Low maintenance, carefree living. \$153,500. Call Laura at 221-3245 or 229-6246.

'94 Grand AM 2D SE Coupe in very good condition. Bought from Hall's for \$9,200 last August; Edmund's market value \$7,800 (with extras); will sell for \$7,000 o.b.o. due to return to U.K. Call Clive Dewey in the history department at 221-1450 or 564-3998.

'93 Honda Civic Del Sol, white, sporty and fun to drive. Targa top, low miles, all services current, 2-DR, 5-speed, airbag, A/C, AM-FM cassette, power windows. \$8,500 neg. Call 221-2843 or 931-3351.

'86 Honda Civic wagon, 4D, 4WD, 72K mi., manual, 6-speed, sunroof, cassette, no A/C. Silver, good condition. \$2,300. Call 253-7715.

Sailboat—22' sloop-rigged fiberglass Nomad. Sleeps 4 + 2 in cockpit. Cockpit holds 6 adults. Main, 3 jibs, 4.5HP Evinrude outboard. Two "centerboards" allow easy sailing out of shallow water. New mast being installed, needs stays, some turnbuckles and labor. \$1,000 or best offer. Call 221-3505 or 253-5613.

13" RCA color television, \$40. Call 221-2626 or 229-9393.

Bassett girl's French Provincial furniture, including twin headboard, desk with hutch,

chest, chair and nightstand, \$300. Kolcraft infant car seat, \$35. Johnny Jumper, \$20. Rock & Ride Pony (ages 12-30 mos.), \$20. Crib mobile (rocking horses), \$10. Brother typewriter, \$40. Tomy race track, \$15. Call 221-1792.

Vermont Casting wood burning stove, \$100. Call Ginny at 565-2855 and leave message.

Medium-sized sofa bed, very comfortable, excellent condition, \$70. Twin-sized mattress plus box spring and frame, \$15. Large desk (30" x 58"), four drawers, very good condition, \$60. Dresser, 4-drawer, white, 37" x 30" x 16", great condition, \$30. Call 229-5883.

### FOR RENT

Furnished BR in 2BR, 1-bath nice apartment available from May 20 until August. Three minutes from campus by car, walking distance. \$275 + 1/2 utilities. Person will be alone most of the summer. Call Teresa at 221-3690 or 259-0619.

Vacation cottage at Kill Devil Hills, milepost 6, Avalon Pier. Immaculate, fully furnished 2-BR cottage. Central air, cable. \$395/wk. Call 1-804-829-9434.

2-BR, 1.5-bath townhouse, close to campus. Available July. \$580/mo. Pets negotiable. Possible discount for 2-yr. lease, owner-financed purchase also possible. Call 253-1961 or email michael@doorways.org.

Fully furnished brick rancher with basement—3 BRs, 2.5 baths, A/C, screened porch, quiet wooded neighborhood. 3 miles from campus.

Available June 1. \$1,100/mo. Call 804-795-5805.

### WANTED

To buy, one man's and one woman's bike, good condition (not racing). End of semester okay. Call 253-8042.

Mature, professional male seeks 2BR unfurnished apartment or house. Call 220-2652.

Returning Peace Corps volunteers, W&M '90 and '92, moving to Williamsburg for doctorates. Seeking house-sitting or rental arrangement for fall semester-or full year. Leave message for Ted and Mary at 281-499-2614. For personal reference, call R. Maccubbin, 221-3906.

Upscale house with 4 BRs to rent for 18-month period beginning June 15. Send information to WMMII@Juno.com or call 220-2808.

Native Spanish-speaking student or other individual to provide child care for and teach Spanish to two young children in their home, 10-15 hrs. per week, May-August. Pay negotiable. Call Amy at 564-0529.

### SERVICE

Responsible W&M student available as housesitter for summer, May 25-Sept. 20. Call 221-4284 and leave message.

Tai Chi workshop, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., May 18-22—five days of training for stress-free health and energy. Call Bob at 259-0398 or Bill at 566-0040.