

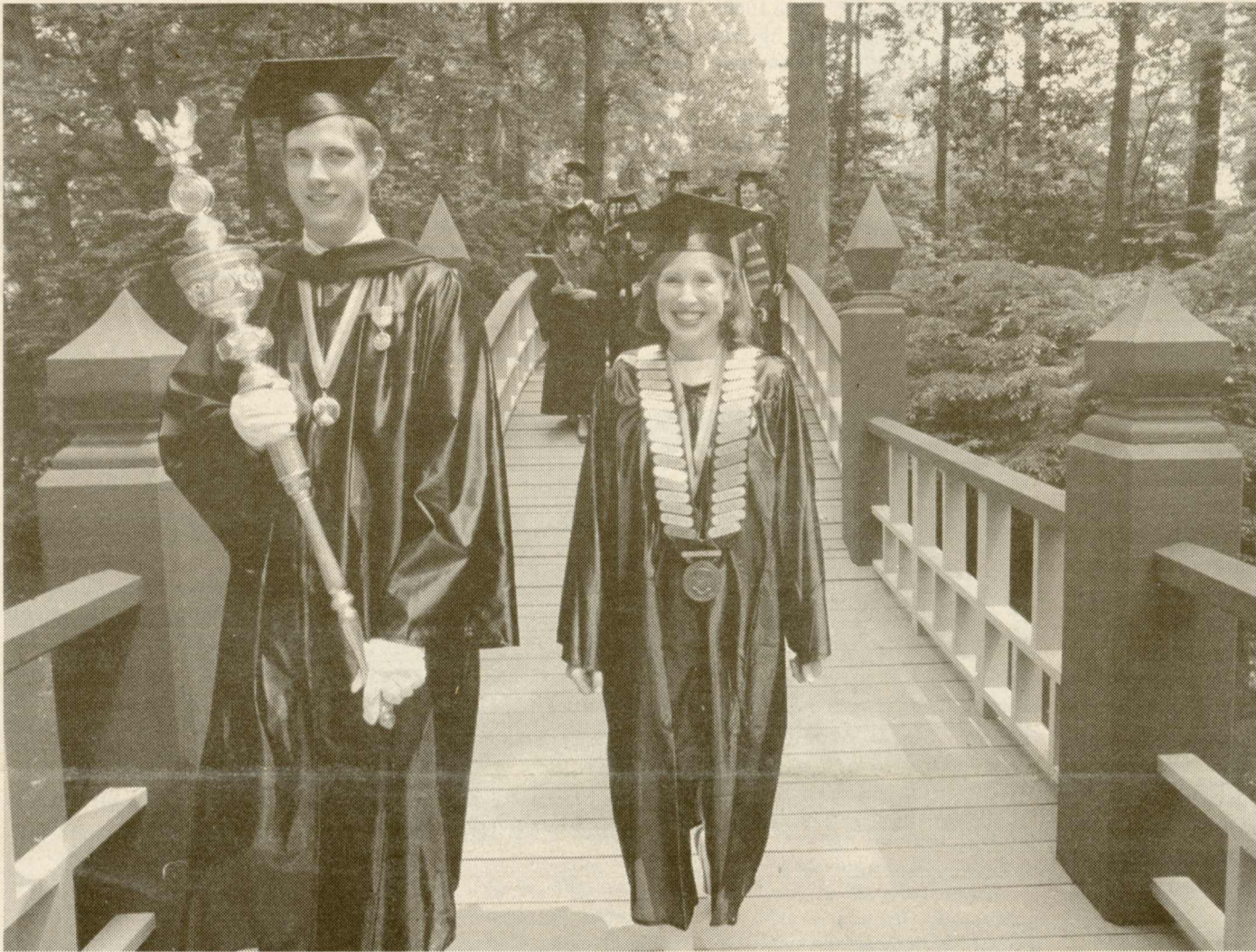
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## NEWS

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On the traditional walk across campus, outgoing Student Assembly President Travis Patton and senior class president Karen Silverberg led graduates across the rebuilt Crim Dell Bridge.

## Bridge To The Future

1,736 make the traditional walk at Commencement '98

**F**or an eminent historian, it was a surprising admission.

"I recall [only] two things clearly," said Joseph J. Ellis '65 of his commencement of 33 years ago. "It was outside in the Wren Yard; and it was very hot. As for the commencement speaker, I have no memory whatsoever. None."

In 33 years, probably no one will remember that Ellis, the 1997 National Book Award recipient for his book *American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson*, spoke at the 1998 commencement either. And that's the way it should be, said Ellis, who described commencement addresses as "evaporating wisdom ... like ink that disappears when you write."

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## Turtle Troubles

Program to protect endangered sea turtles loses funding at a time when the animals need help the most

**F**our years ago, VIMS graduate student Soraya Bartol responded to a call about a barely alive juvenile loggerhead turtle floating off a Fort Monroe marina. She discovered that the animal's skull had apparently been crushed with a hammer.

In a situation of this type, euthanasia is typically the only recourse for Bartol and her colleagues at the Sea Turtle Project. But thanks to the ingenuity and expertise of Gloucester veterinarian Robert George, the turtle's head was reconstructed using screws and other common hardware from a screen door. Within four months, the turtle made a full recovery and was returned to the ocean.

George is among a network of volunteers who participates in a sea turtle and marine mammal stranding program administered

out of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. Each year, the program responds to some 300 calls about sea turtles, including the leatherback, loggerhead and the nearly extinct Kemp's ridley species, that have washed up either dead or dying on Virginia beaches.

But like the turtles it tries to protect, the Sea Turtle Project is endangered. Since the early 1990s, when the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries cut funding, the project has struggled financially. This year, its luck ran out and no state or federal money was appropriated.

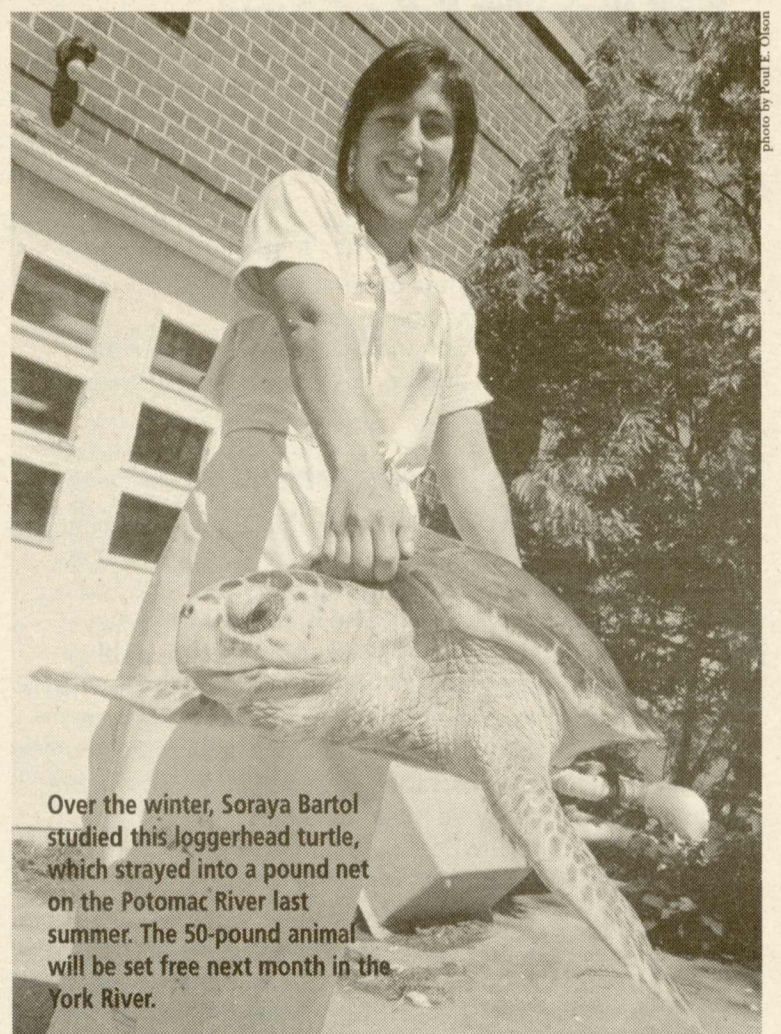
"Unless private support comes through in the next few weeks, we won't be able to respond to calls about turtles," said Bartol, who administers the Sea Turtle Project under Professor of Marine Science Jack Musick. "We need about

\$7,000 to pay for transportation and to hire a part-time summer assistant."

Started in 1979, the Sea Turtle Project is most active from late May to mid-June, when some 10,000 juvenile sea turtles arrive in the Chesapeake Bay for the summer after migrating from Florida and Mexico. A host of man-made and natural dangers in the bay await the animals, which are often tired and stressed after their long trek.

Most of the calls to which Bartol and fellow graduate student William Coles respond concern dead turtles that have washed ashore. "Nobody will touch the animals because they're endangered, or they don't know how to dispose of them, so we get called," said Bartol.

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Over the winter, Soraya Bartol studied this loggerhead turtle, which strayed into a pound net on the Potomac River last summer. The 50-pound animal will be set free next month in the York River.

Photo by Paul E. Olson

# MAKING HEADLINES

## Starbucks Coffee Coming To Campus

If you have a hankering for Starbucks Coffee, you won't have to go very far beginning next semester. The national coffee chain is opening coffee bars at three sites on campus: the 24-hour study lounge at Swem Library and the University and Campus centers.

The Starbucks announcement follows the College's decision to award a five-year food service contract to Aramark Campus Services. Aramark's parent company serves 435 colleges, including the University of Virginia. It will take over food service operations beginning May 31.

In an ongoing effort to improve food service operation, the College chose Aramark in part because of the agreements it has with a number of commercial franchises to locate stores on college campuses. In addition to Starbucks, other chains that will sell food on campus include Chick Fil-A Express, Burger King, Pizza Hut Express, Krispy Kreme donuts and Ukrop's Fresh Express. The new offerings more than double the current number of franchises on campus. The Campus Center Marketplace will be renovated over the summer to accommodate the new vendors and to allow for extended hours of operation.

A committee of six students and six administrators worked for 18 months developing the request for a new food service contract and evaluating the proposals submitted by three vendors.

"The students did a fantastic job on this project and had an instrumental role in determining our needs and deciding on Aramark," said Director of Auxiliary Services Charles Maimone. "We couldn't have done it without their dedication and hard work."

Aramark replaces Marriott, which managed the College's food service operation for 13 years. Maimone said all 180 food service workers at the College will keep their jobs in the transition to Aramark, although personnel in 16 management positions will be replaced.

## W&M News Wins National Award

The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) has awarded *The William and Mary News* a bronze medal in its 1998 Circle of Excellence Awards Program in Alumni Relations and Communications.

The *News* was one of only four newspapers of its type in the country recognized by CASE in the Internal Audience Tabloid category. It is the first year that the publication has been recognized nationally.

In addition to William and Mary, CASE awarded medals to Brown, Rutgers and Cornell universities for their internal newspapers.

## Former Campus Photographer Dies

Thomas Williams, the College's official photographer for 35 years, died May 12 at the age of 85. Covering "every principal event" at William and Mary from 1955 to 1990, Williams "received all of humankind with the eye of an artist and the smile of a friend," said James Kelly, assistant to the president. "His photographs will be a rich archive that future generations will cherish." A service was held on Friday, May 15, at Williamsburg United Methodist Church. Burial took place in Cedar Grove Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Olde Towne Medical Center, 5249 Olde Towne Rd., Williamsburg, VA 23188, or Hospice of Williamsburg Community Hospital, 1158 Professional Dr., Williamsburg, VA 23185.

## campus news

# Job Forecast Bright For New Graduates

College graduates beginning work in Virginia will enter a boom economy in the Commonwealth this spring with the state's pay rates rising at the fastest pace since 1969, according to the latest figures from the College of William and Mary's *Virginia Outlook*.

"The 'Decade of the Worker' has begun in Virginia," said Roy Pearson, director of William and Mary's Bureau of Business Research, noting that Virginia's "real" (inflation-adjusted) increase in pay-per-job was 2.5 per-

cent in 1997. "That is the best gain in nearly 30 years—a very positive development for the Virginia workforce."

"Some readers may be thinking that the 2.5-percent real gain is not much. In fact, it is a spectacular accomplishment," Pearson explained. "That is the highest growth rate in Virginia real payroll-per-job since 1969, 29 years ago. Furthermore, it is more than three times the total real growth in the preceding decade!"

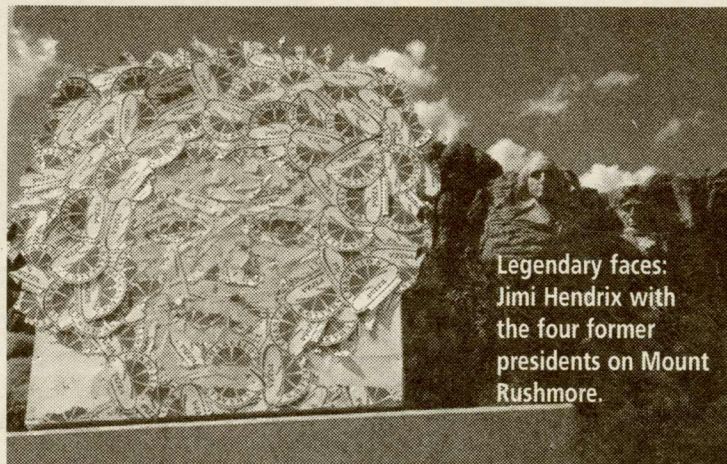
Pearson said he expected real wages and salaries per job to con-

tinue to grow by close to 2 percent in 1998, primarily due to low Virginia unemployment rates and a remarkably low inflation rate. Virginia workers have benefited this year from an inflation rate that is expected to rise just 1.6 percent this year and rise 2.5 percent in 1999.

Particularly encouraging job news in this month's issue of *Outlook*, according to Pearson, was the 1997 increase in Virginia manufacturing jobs.

"The gain was only 1 percent, or about 3,800 jobs," Pearson said, "but that reverses seven years of declines and is the largest percentage increase since 1987. Virginia's aggressive efforts to expand manufacturing jobs are getting results, and we predict that the net gains will continue." ■

by Peggy Shaw



Legendary faces: Jimi Hendrix with the four former presidents on Mount Rushmore.

## Hendrix Spotted At Mount Rushmore

Rising juniors Mike Fitzpatrick and Jon Leahy stopped by Mount Rushmore last week on their way to Seattle, Wash., with their pizza-box collage of late rock 'n' roll legend Jimi Hendrix. The Experience Music Project accepted the work, titled "Six By Nine," for inclusion in an exhibit on Hendrix that will open next year.

## Sea Turtle Program Endangered

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Before burying the animals, Bartol and Coles examine each turtle, measure and weigh it and look for identifying tags. They also attempt to determine the cause of death. If it is man-made, boat propellers and nets have usually left their mark.

Calls to the Sea Turtle Project about live animals typically come from fishermen or from beachcombers who have stumbled on a sick turtle. About 10 turtles on average are taken each year to VIMS for rehabilitation.

Very little is known about sea turtles in the Chesapeake Bay, particularly their life history and migration habits. In addition to its public service, the Sea Turtle Project provides one of the few sources of data on the animals.

Contractors and government agencies regularly call for information about the best times to dredge or build a bridge in order to minimize potential harm to sea turtles. "We can tell them in a five-minute period when to do the work," said Bartol. "This is information that no one else can provide."

Bartol, who is nearing completion of her doctorate in marine science, has been most interested in the sensory capabilities of sea turtles. Scientists previously didn't believe the animals could hear. But in experiments conducted with stranded turtles, Bartol determined that they can sense sound at low frequencies.

Several years ago, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers took an interest in Bartol's research for its potential application in developing a turtle-repellent device for dredges that kill hundreds of the animals each year. Working with the corps, Bartol developed a device designed to encourage turtles to move out of harm's way.

"What we found was that the animals could hear it, but it wasn't causing them to run," said Bartol.

Although this project has ended, the corps continues to support research efforts aimed at understanding the migratory patterns of sea turtles. Over the last six years, a single female loggerhead outfitted with a tracking device was followed by a satellite during her stay in the bay and while she migrated to and from Florida. It was the first time that a turtle's movements had been monitored for such an extended period. (A map of the turtle's trek can be viewed at <http://139.70.40.46/loggrhd.htm>.) This summer, Bartol plans to attach a tracking device to another female loggerhead in the

hope of better understanding the species' activity between periods of nesting.

In their three-month migration to Virginia, sea turtles have the ability not only to locate the Chesapeake Bay but to follow the contour of the coastline closely. "We have no idea how they are navigating," said Bartol. "They have poor eyesight and don't hear very well, so they must be using some other sense."

Bartol believes the answer may be found in the turtle's walnut-sized brain. One of the most intriguing theories holds that, like birds, which may have descended from reptiles, turtles have a region in their brains designed to detect the earth's magnetism. The animals follow the coastline based on their ability to sense this naturally emitted pulse.

Understanding turtle migratory patterns has potentially far-reaching implications for developing more informed conservation strategies. Scientists know approximately when the animals arrive in the bay but have only limited data on their movements once they get there. "We know the bay functions as an important nursery ground for juvenile sea turtles," said Bartol, "but we don't know where they are going once they get here. We need to track the populations over many years." ■

by Poul E. Olson

class of 1998

# A Spittin' Image

*Law graduate shares name and ancestry with Thomas Jefferson*

**T**homas Jefferson IV was graduated from the College of William and Mary on May 17, 236 years after his famous forebear completed his studies at the nation's second-oldest institution of higher learning. Recipient of a law degree, "Jeff" Jefferson is a direct descendent of the president's uncle, Field Jefferson, and the young Richmond native bears more than a passing resemblance to the legendary Man from Monticello.

"People do say that we look alike," said Jeff, whose profile is strikingly similar to that of the Founding Father. But the similarities are more than skin deep.

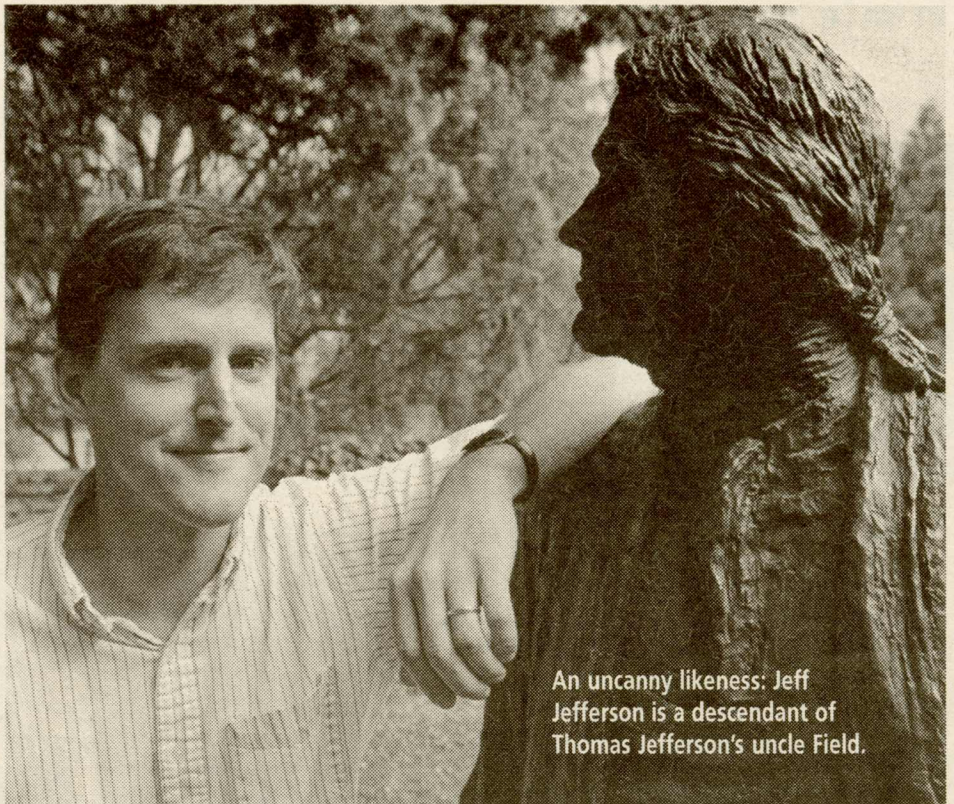
Like his forebear, Jeff is an outstanding student of the law. And like the young Jefferson—who was elected to the Virginia General Assembly when only 24—Jeff is off to a fast start.

"I'll be clerking for a judge on the U.S. Third Circuit Court of Appeals in Erie, Pa.," Jeff explained when asked about his post-graduation plans. He modestly neglected to mention the prestige attached to the appointment.

"Getting a clerkship in the U.S. Court of Appeals is next to being a clerk in the U.S. Supreme Court," explained James Moliterno, William and Mary professor of law. "The appointment certainly indicates that he has great promise."

Jeff credits much of his success to the intimacy of the William and Mary School of Law, with its small classes and opportunities to work closely with professors: "The faculty's availability to meet and work with students, one-on-one or in small groups, demonstrates their dedication. I took a class on judicial review this fall with only four other students."

As an example, Jeff cites Moliterno. Much as law professor George Wythe led the young Thomas Jefferson through the intricacies of English colonial law, Moliterno has both taught Jeff in class and supervised his work as a teaching assistant in William and Mary's legal skills program, a year-long course that helps entering law students acquire basic skills needed for law practice.



An uncanny likeness: Jeff Jefferson is a descendant of Thomas Jefferson's uncle Field.

photo by Paul E. Olson

"Jeff was one of only two students selected after his first year in law school to serve as a teaching assistant in the program. He is incredibly conscientious and quite low-key," said Moliterno.

Teaching assistants spend much of their time helping first-year law students improve their writing—a skill that Jeff aspires to share with his forebear who wrote the Declaration of Independence.

"That's a standard I'll never live up to," Jeff declared when reminded of his ancestor's legendary writing ability. But he has worked hard to hone his skills, not only through his class work but also by serving on the staff of the *William and Mary Law Review*.

The focus of Jeff's philanthropy as of late has been the William and

It was my great good fortune, and what probably fixed the destinies of my life, that Dr. William Small of Scotland was then professor of mathematics.

—Thomas Jefferson, *Class of 1762*

Jefferson had the chance to study here and get direct attention from extremely good professors. It is amazing that I've had the same opportunity some 230 years later.

—Thomas Jefferson IV, *Class of 1998*

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# The Sky's Her Limit

*From studying history and science to helping others, Katie Donohue does it all*

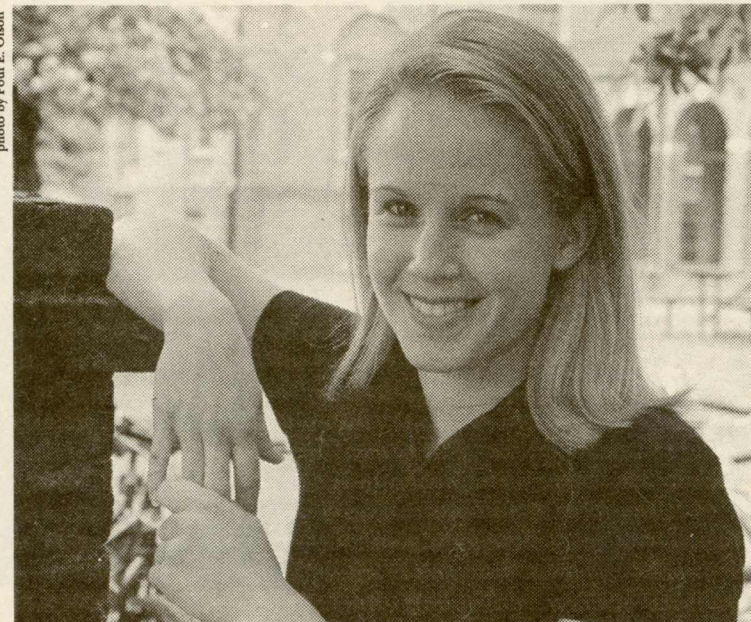


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Katie Donohue will spend her first year out of college backpacking through Asia and teaching English to Chinese English teachers.

**B**egin with an interest in history. Stir in a love of science. Mix with a commitment to helping others. Sprinkle with a desire to travel. While these ingredients at first glance seem incongruous, for graduating senior Katie Donohue of Reston, Va., they constitute the formula for the future.

When Donohue accepted her diploma at commencement, she had completed the rigorous pre-med program and was graduated with a bachelor's degree in history.

"I really enjoyed both programs," Donohue said. "They are two different types of learning and stretched my brain in different directions. If I ever got tired of studying science I could pick up a history book. I was never bored."

Yielding to her interest in

women's history, Donohue investigated the previously uncredited role of women in a 1937 strike in a Flint, Mich., manufacturing plant while she was enrolled in a history colloquium her junior year. As she read about the male workers' strike in a textbook, she wondered who performed the strike legwork once the workers barricaded themselves inside the plant.

"Ordinarily during a strike, workers are not sitting idle: they are organizing the strike movement and protecting the site with pickets," Donohue said.

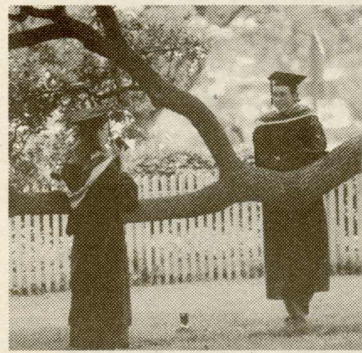
After traveling to the Bentley Historical Library at the University of Michigan to examine untapped primary source material, Donohue discovered that the women of the community did all of the strike work ordinarily performed by men. Donohue wrote

about her new findings in "Rock-in-a-Sock Mamas: The Women's Auxiliary in the 1937 Flint, Michigan, Sit Down Strike," a paper that she later presented at the 10th Southern Labor Studies Conference in 1997. This spring, the same paper won the Dean's Prize for Student Scholarship on Women. Her history honors include the Ludwell H. Johnson Award for excellence in history.

While Donohue moved easily between history and science classes, her volunteer work in a local hospital emergency room served as the training ground that spurred her to choose medicine as a career.

"It really confirmed that this is what I wanted to do," said Donohue, who has been accepted

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# Lasting Impressions

## Commencement '98 scrapbook

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Ellis, the Ford Foundation Professor of History at Mount Holyoke College and author of six books, set the light-hearted tone for a day during which the senior class speaker announced he was taking a job driving an Oscar Mayer Wienermobile around the country for a year, and President Sullivan, in his closing remarks, quoted generously from Dr. Seuss.

Of course, Ellis did have some wisdom to dispense and, after studying Jefferson for six years, he said he had received the great man's permission "to speak on his behalf today."

Among Jefferson's suggestions to the graduates: 1) "Take care of yourselves. Exercise every day. Floss every night. Stretch." 2) "Travel for a few years. Live in New York City briefly to toughen you up. Then Southern California to mellow you out. But settle in Seattle. They have great coffee, great vistas and ... a flourishing network of William and Mary alumni ... to help [you] land that great job at Microsoft." 3) "Live a Republican lifestyle but vote Democratic. You might say that this is like having your cake and eating it too, but what's wrong with that? ... Most politicians are scoundrels anyway, so you might as well align yourself with the scoundrels who want to give something back."

Finally, Ellis told the 1,736 graduates, Jefferson wants you "to trust in the future [because he] always believed that the future would be better than the past."

"The future is bright. And it is yours," concluded Ellis. "If there is a race going on out there between the frivolous and the virtuous, you are well equipped to run with the best. ... Run hard. Run fast. Above all, run well. And don't forget to stretch."

Ellis was one of three distinguished individuals who received honorary degrees at the ceremonies in William and Mary Hall. Ellis was honored as a leader in academia and for his "exceptional contributions to our understanding of the early decades of this nation's history." Edward Brickell, president of the Eastern Virginia Medical School, was honored for his "contributions to education in Virginia," and Benjamin Carson, a world-renowned neurosurgeon at the Medical School of Johns Hopkins, was honored for his "exceptional contributions to the medical profession and your efforts to inspire the young people of our nation."

Other individuals honored at commencement were Rhonda Elizabeth Brewer with the Lord Botetourt Medal, given to the graduating senior who ranks first academically; Chad Michael Carr, who received the James Frederic Carr Memorial Cup for scholarship and leadership; Karen Elizabeth Silverberg, Rodney Carneil Pratt and Peter A. Mantey, recipients of the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for service to the College and students; the late Howard M. Fraser, professor of modern languages, who received the Thomas Ashley Graves Jr. Teaching Award; and Della Harris, the re-

ipient of the Duke Award, which honors a staff member at the College.

President Sullivan sent the graduates off with his own personal declaration that "you matter—and matter deeply—to me. I know you. Your William and Mary years are mine—and mine yours. I understand—and admire—what you have achieved here."

Student speaker Chad Carr, the graduate who plans to drive a wienermobile for a year, said he was determined "to avoid all references to 'the real world.'"

"But," he added, "when you've spent four years in Colonial Williamsburg" among candlestick makers, blacksmiths and guys in tri-corner hats, the phrase "seems to have a ring of truth."

And if you were wondering, the 1965 commencement speaker was United States Sen. A. Willis Robertson, father of evangelist Pat Robertson. ■

by S. Dean Olson



The beginning of the end: Before the traditional walk across campus, graduates assemble in the Wren Yard to hear some parting words from their class leaders.



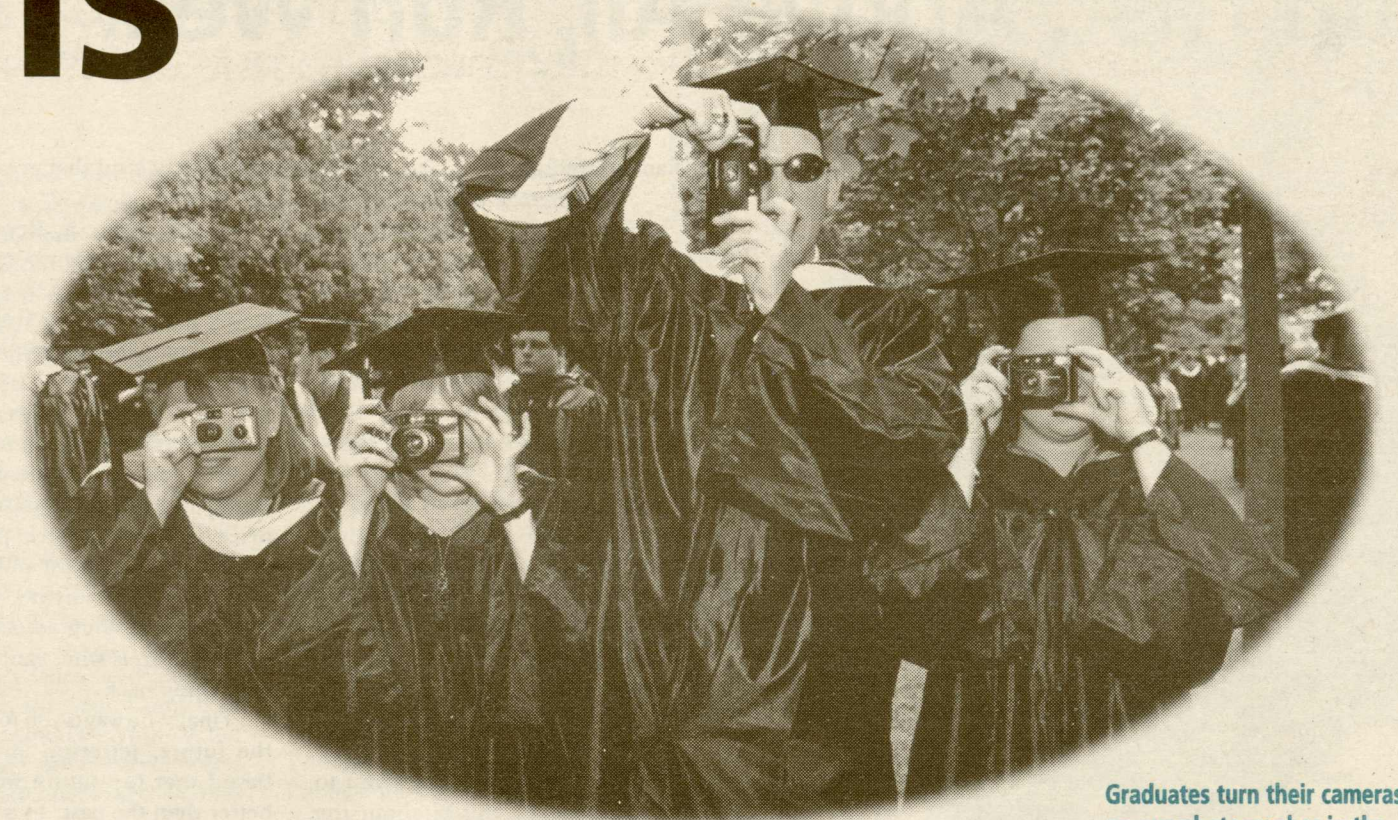
Karen Silverberg approaches the stage to receive the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for service to the College and the students.



A happy graduate and his family pose for a photograph.



Members of the Senior Class Gift Committee celebrated the conclusion of a record-setting drive to raise money for the annual fund. Sixty-five percent of the Class of '98 pledged \$94,000 to the fund, which supports academic departments, the library, student financial aid, technology, career services and the Student Rec Center. The participation level eclipsed the Class of 1997's record level of 61 percent.



Graduates turn their cameras on our photographer in the Wren Yard.

## Commencement In The Wren Chapel Revived For Tennis Players

When their classmates graduated on May 17, three members of William and Mary's nationally ranked women's tennis team were volleying for an NCAA tennis tournament bid in the Eastern Regional qualifier in Blacksburg.

Lauren Nikolaus, Maya Klavora and Michelle O, all graduating seniors (pictured below, left to right), made the tough decision to forego the commencement ceremony to compete in the tournament. Their sacrifice was well worth it. The Tribe won the qualifier, advancing to the NCAA final 16 at Notre Dame.

But the William and Mary administration didn't want the seniors to leave behind their College experience without some kind of ceremony. On May 18, the College conducted a special ceremony in the chapel of the Sir Christopher Wren Building for the three athletes. President Timothy Sullivan spoke and presented the diplomas. He was joined by Brian Kalbas, head coach of the women's tennis team, and the seniors' friends, family and teammates.

"These students have represented the College so admirably during the past four years that we don't feel they should be deprived of a commencement ceremony," said Sullivan.

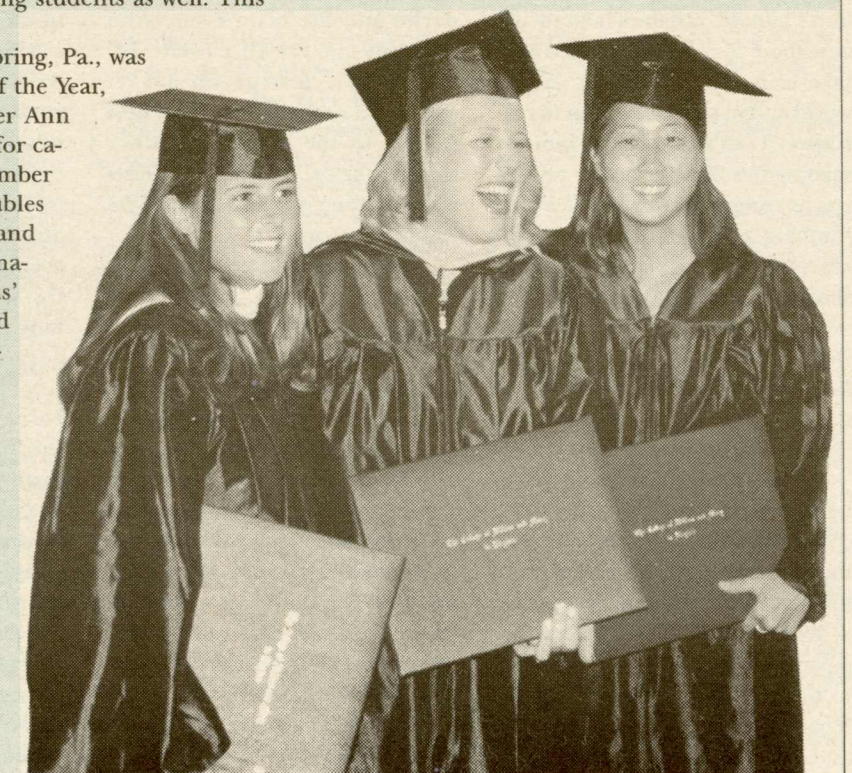
"I'd like to thank President Sullivan for extending his time and effort to do this for our seniors," said Coach Kalbas. "These three students have meant so much to our program and have put us on the national map. And they have been outstanding students as well. This special ceremony is a true honor for them."

Earlier this month, Nikolaus, of Silver Spring, Pa., was named William and Mary's Female Athlete of the Year, an honor she shares with Tribe soccer player Ann Cook. In February she set the school record for career victories in tennis with 118 wins. That number has risen to 133. Playing both singles and doubles matches, Nikolaus will compete for her fifth and sixth All-American honors at the NCAA tournament. O, of Windermere, Fla., and Nikolaus' doubles partner, will be gunning for her third All-American honor and also will be competing in the singles field. Klavora of Toronto, Canada, has been a four-year contributor to the Tribe team, leading her teammates by her hard work and dedication to the sport.

Currently ranked in the nation's top 10, the women's tennis team hopes to better its eighth-place NCAA ranking of last year.

Commencement ceremonies were held in the chapel until the 1940s, when they were moved to the Wren Yard. In 1976, graduation moved to William and Mary Hall. ■

by Amy Ruth



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Tonya Parris waves to her family from the floor of William and Mary Hall during commencement exercises.

Above, far left, two graduates take a parting photograph by a sinewy tree in the Wren Yard.

## commencement address

# Ellis To Grads: "Run Hard, Run Fast. Above All, Run Well."



The last time I attended a William and Mary commencement, it was my own. That was 33 years ago, and very few of you had yet to draw breath. I recall two things clearly: it was outside in the Wren Yard, and it was very hot. As for the commencement speaker, I have no memory whatsoever. None. He must have congratulated us for throwing in our lots with the likes of Thomas Jefferson. But I'm only guessing, not really remembering.

I am pretty sure that he said nothing about the civil rights movement then raging in Mississippi but still suffering from not-so-benign neglect in the Old Dominion. No black students graduated with me. None were enrolled in the College. Nor did the speaker mention Vietnam, just then heating up and about to roll over my class and take us to far away places in the world and in our souls. Even in retrospect, I can't really blame him for missing the Big Beat. After all, he was as clueless as we were. I recall thinking as I marched out of the ceremony that the Wren Yard was shaped like a giant womb, and we were being spewed out onto the Duke of Gloucester Street, Mr. Rockefeller's contrived version of the Real World, with our diplomas signed and our expectations intact.

All these memories rush back upon me now like the proverbial dreams of yesteryear. It is reassuring to know that the civil rights movement arrived in Virginia and at William and Mary after my departure. And I think it's pretty safe to predict that nothing like Vietnam looms in your middle distance. But no Delphic Oracle has

spoken to me recently, so I'm just as bereft of sure-fire commencement wisdom as that anonymous fellow 33 years ago. As you might expect, it's a somewhat chastening experience, like showing up at the pearly gates only to discover that God is out to lunch. It makes me suspect that the term "commencement wisdom" is an oxymoron. While Lincoln was surely wrong about his own remarks at Gettysburg, he was dead right about all commencement speeches: the world will little note nor long remember what we say here.

This realization actually helps me set more realistic parameters. The perfect commencement address is like a Pepsi, an effervescent pause that refreshes, a mercifully brief oratorical interlude between the ceremonial preliminaries and the main event. And you, not me, are that event. My task, then, is clear: get on and get off with a minimum of fuss. Best to talk to the graduates rather than the gods, who are busy elsewhere setting up the gauntlet you will have to run.

It also helps to be famous, or at least a celebrity. Based on my experience at 37 commencements at several different colleges, what is said is seldom remembered, but who said it is. If I were Bill Cosby, or our own Glenn Close, you would be able to compare commencement experiences with friends at other schools and be competitive in the prestige game. With Ellis, however, you cannot even ante-up in the game. I could claim to be Leonardo DiCaprio and do a swan dive into the front row. But who would believe me? Let's face it: in the commencement sweepstakes, I

am a liability.

Fortunately, I have come up with an answer calculated to enhance your competitive prospects, attract national media attention and make my commencement wisdom memorable. As you may know, I have spent the last six years studying Thomas Jefferson. What you might not know is that I have become Thomas Jefferson. Just yesterday I went over to the statue alongside the new science building, knelt down in secular prayer and obtained his permission to speak in his behalf today. Let those folks up at Charlottesville or down at Chapel Hill eat their hearts out. Talk about status. You've got Jefferson.

First, Jefferson wants you to know what he thinks about the statue. It's a decent likeness, but he requests one minor adjustment. It has him gazing off to the right. He would prefer to look left. This would also change the angle of his vision. Right now it is not clear whether he is looking proudly at the new science building or peering somewhat sneakily toward the windows of the adjacent women's dorm. Please fix that. Also, he wants it known that the trustees of that other state university who presented the statue to William and Mary at the Tercentenary in fact acted in accord with his wishes. He may have founded the other place, but he asks that they stop referring to themselves as Mr. Jefferson's university. This is where he went. Educationally at least, William and Mary has primacy. He is one of us, not one of them.

Second, he wants you to take care of yourselves. He does not mean this metaphysically but physically. He lived to the ripe old age of 83 by bathing his feet in cold water every morning and riding or walking every afternoon. While you look fabulous now, you need to take equivalent precautions to delay the day when the self-evident truths become the self-evident realities. Exercise every day. Floss every night. Stretch. Come back to this gorgeous campus when your kids graduate looking almost as gorgeous as you do now.

Third, he urges you to go West. He never traveled farther west than the Natural Bridge in the Shenandoah Valley, but he did send Lewis and Clark out there to chart the future for you. Travel for a few years. Live in New York City briefly to toughen you up. Then Southern California to mellow you out. But settle in Seattle. They have great coffee, great vistas, and there's a flourishing network of William and Mary alumni in place

to help you land that great job at Microsoft.

Fourth, live a Republican lifestyle, but vote Democratic. You might say that this is like having your cake and eating it too, but what's wrong with that? Jefferson enjoyed the comforts of Monticello and drank two glasses of the best French wine at dinner every evening but also founded the Democratic Party. Consider it the price your conscience pays for your affluence. Most politicians are scoundrels anyway, so you might as well align yourself with the scoundrels who want to give something back.

Finally, he wants you to trust in the future. Jefferson always believed that the future would be better than the past. This was the real secret of his longevity and harks back to his earlier point about your health. Never squint. It will age you prematurely around the eyes. The real troubles in your life are seldom the things you worry about; they will usually blindside you at three in the morning when you least expect it. Jefferson liked to sing or hum throughout the day, which was disconcerting as hell to his enemies, who took it as a sign of his abiding serenity. So sing every day. It is a sure-fire way to establish psychological superiority. This will be an important tactic over the next few years, as we approach the end of the century, indeed the end of the millennium, when apocalyptic forecasts will proliferate. Jefferson assumed the presidency at an analogous moment, in 1800, amidst fearful prophecies of imminent catastrophe of the republic. None of them came true.

He wants you to know that the apocalypse is not at hand. The asteroid due to strike in 2028 will miss. Freud was wrong about civilization and its discontents. If one American century is ending, a new one is beginning, and it will last longer than your lifetimes. Employers are hungering for your talents and are prepared to pay handsome starting salaries with great benefit packages for your services. You will be able to pay back your loans on or ahead of schedule. Your timing for entrance into the world is impeccable.

His last words to you, then, are as radiant as his local legacy. The future is bright. And it is yours. If there is a race going on out there between the frivolous and the virtuous, you are well equipped to run with the best. We are about to hand you your baton, which is your diploma. Run hard, run fast. Above all, run well. And don't forget to stretch. ■

## Graduates Attract Honors

**Fulbright Fellow**—*Kenna Mills* will spend a year in Chile as a Fulbright Fellow developing a molecular biology curriculum before entering a doctoral program in molecular biology at Harvard University.

**National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowships**—*Kenna Mills*, *Candice Brown* and *Jennifer Johnson* will pursue graduate studies leading to research-based master's or doctoral degrees in science, mathematics and engineering. Mills will be in the doctoral program in molecular medicine at Harvard University Medical School; Brown will be in the doctoral program in neurobiology at Duke University; and Johnson in the doctoral program in theoretical chemistry at the California Institute of Technology.

**U.S. Presidential Management Interns**—Two-year federal internships for outstanding master's and doctoral students have been awarded to *Rhonda Jones* (M.A. Public Policy, J.D., '98), *Jennifer Reid* (M.A. Public Policy, M.S. Marine Science, '98) and *Elizabeth Waaler* (M.A. Public Policy, '97).

## National Undergrad Awards

**Goldwater Scholars**—National undergraduate awards for excellence in education have been awarded to rising seniors *Elise Donnelly* and *Sarah Scott*.

**Udall Scholar (Environmental Public Policy)**—Rising senior *Dana Michelle Hawley* will pursue an NSF-funded independent study project examining the decline of the salamander population.

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# Making A Difference Where It Counts

*Rhonda Jones turns lifelong commitment to civic responsibility into career with U.S. Justice Department*

**G**rowing up in the small Southside town of Kenbridge, Va., Rhonda Jones was surrounded by people—from her father to members of her church—who believed strongly in civic responsibility. Graduating May from the College with a degree in law and a master's in public policy, Jones plans to follow their example and devote her life to public service.

Beginning in August following the bar examination, Jones will spend two years learning about the inner workings of the Department of Justice as a presidential management intern. Only 400 graduates were selected this year for the honor, designed as a post-graduate education experience, out of a national applicant pool of 1,600.

Jones will work as a budget officer for the National Institute of Justice and be involved in administering a number of federal programs. Among her responsibilities will be evaluating grant applications from states seeking support for crime prevention programs and gauging the effectiveness of community policing efforts.

"In considering this opportunity, I wanted to make sure that I found a place that used both of my degrees and allowed me to work with justice department attor-

neys," explained the 26-year-old Jones. "I've always wanted to be involved in the process where laws are made and their effects seen. Even though I'll be working at the federal level, this position will expose me to the lawmaking process from the perspective of state and local governments."

Jones has been actively pursuing her interest in public service since earning her bachelor's degree in government and sociology from William and Mary in 1992. She spent her first summer out of college working in the policy office of Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder as a governor's fellow and later interned with the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, the Chesterfield County Attorney and the public defender's office in Alexandria.

"My experience in Alexandria was particularly exciting because I was involved in truly grass-roots legal work," recalled Jones. "My most vivid memory was wandering around neighborhoods searching for witnesses. It was really eye-opening to work with people who were going through some of the most difficult times in their lives."

This internship, Jones added, also showed her the value of pursuing public service work at the state and local levels. "There's tremendous satisfaction in being part

of the lawmaking process where you can actually see the differences that your work has made," she said.

The presidential management intern position puts Jones on an executive management track in the Justice Department. She tentatively plans to spend at least five years with the federal government before deciding where to take her career in public service.

"I'll have a wealth of opportunity for intergovernmental work in this position," said Jones.

About three students a year pursue dual degrees in either law, business or marine science and public policy. According to David Finifter, director of the College's Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy, Jones' choice of the justice department complements well the program's emphasis on teaching a generalist approach to policy processes and analysis.

"The package of skills that our students develop enables them to pursue careers at any level of government or as consultants in the private sector," said Finifter.

In addition to Jones, two other public policy students, Jennifer Reid (M.P.P. '98, M.S. Marine Science '98) and Elizabeth Waaler (M.P.P. '97) were named presidential management interns this year. ■

by Poul E. Olson



photo by Poul E. Olson

As a presidential management intern with the Justice Department, Rhonda Jones will take part in administering federal programs focusing on state and local crime prevention efforts.

## Donohue Credits Professors For Success

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to the Medical College of Virginia. "Everything you do matters. It is absorbing in a way that nothing else is. You are using your eyes, ears, nose and hands to pick up as

much information as you can to help the patient."

True to her love of people and her dedication to service, Donohue will spend her time before medical school helping others. She has deferred enrollment until the fall of 1999 and after backpacking through Southeast Asia with her sister, Donohue plans to join the World Teach program to teach English to Chinese teachers in the northwest region of Yantai.

Donohue credited her professors, particularly Assistant Professor of Biology Paul Heideman, for encouraging her to pursue all of her interests after graduation.

"In so many ways," she said, "it has made a huge difference going to a school where the faculty is dedicated to teaching undergraduates. A lot of professors have personally invested themselves in me." ■

by Amy Ruth

## Love of Public Service Follows DePuy To Wall Street

**W**hen senior Nicole DePuy went looking for a job in the business world this year, she searched for the same positive qualities in a corporation that she had admired about the College of William and Mary. She found them, interestingly enough, on

Wall Street at the investment banking firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. Inc.

"A lot of the feel I get from J.P. Morgan is what I loved at William and Mary," said DePuy, a 21-year-old economics and marketing major. "The value that they place on their employees, the corporate

philanthropy, and the community that they build—it matched what I liked about William and Mary and it seemed to be the right fit."

DePuy, a native of Towson, Md., gave much of herself to the William and Mary community during her four years on campus. She served as financial vice president of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, head resident for Residence Life, a three-year member of the William and Mary Chorus, a member of Omicron Delta Kappa honor society and an officer for last month's Alan Bukzin Memorial Bone Marrow Drive, the largest on-campus bone marrow drive in the country, which entered 736 new people into the national bone marrow registry.

When she joins J. P. Morgan's Internal Consulting Services Program in August, DePuy isn't sure what kind of community service she might get involved in, but she is certain she'll donate some time outside of work on Wall Street. That's a lesson she learned at William and Mary.

"Involvement is a huge deal to me now," she explained. "Whatever

you can do to get involved and make a difference is important."

DePuy also credits William and Mary with laying the groundwork for her success in the business world. "William and Mary has prepared me well," she said. "It's the academics, the interaction with the professors and the whole caring environment. If you ever had any problems at all, I don't doubt for a moment that people here would try their best to help you."

She plans to stay in close touch with the College, especially Vice President for Student Affairs W. Samuel Sadler and Associate Professor of Education Thomas Goodale, who both helped her "weigh the options" of life after graduation.

"I think the whole spirit of community that you take from here is so important, and the support system is huge," DePuy said. "Even when you leave here, the connections that you make will carry you through."

"I will always feel this connection to William and Mary." ■

by Peggy Shaw

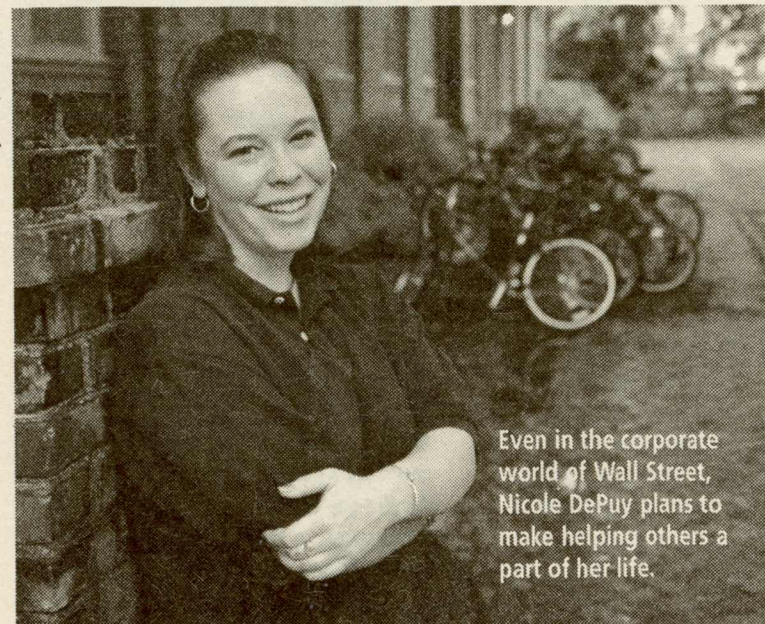
## College Claims Two Jeffersons

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Mary law school. He served on the Graduating Class Gift Committee, which raised \$45,000, double the amount raised by any previous graduating class.

Said the new graduate, "I'm quite grateful for what this school has done for me, and I want to do anything I can do to advance it." ■

by Bill Walker



Even in the corporate world of Wall Street, Nicole DePuy plans to make helping others a part of her life.

# Calendar



The Virginia Shakespeare Festival, in its 20th season, will present "Romeo and Juliet" and "Measure for Measure" July 10-Aug. 2 in Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. The box office opens June 9. Call 221-2674. At left, actor Daniel Stewart was the featured guest artist in VSF's 1997 production of "Coriolanus."

## VSF Opens July 10

### May 30

7-10 p.m. Volunteer actor auditions and volunteer technician interviews for the Shakespeare Festival. Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. No appointments necessary. Each actor should prepare a two- to four-minute audition with two brief, contrasting Shakespeare speeches and bring a current photo. 221-2659.

### June 11-14

"Alumni College 1998," featuring lectures and field trips on a variety of topics. William and Mary campus, various locations. For a program of events, call 221-1182.

### exhibit

#### Through June 28

10 a.m.-4:45 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; noon-4 p.m., Sat. and Sun. "Diversity! Studio Art Quilts," first tour of the Studio Art Quilt Associates' juried competition featuring more than 40 quilts. Muscarelle Museum.

### deadlines

Sept. 24, 1998 and Jan. 28, 1999: mi-

## classified advertisements

### FOR SALE

House on private, wooded .80-acre near Lake Matoaka, adjacent to College Woods. 3-4 BRs, 3 baths. Oversize garage. Lower level with separate entrance offers many possibilities. 136 Mill Neck Rd. Brochure available. \$219,500. Appraisal available. Call Ted Maslin at 310-394-7942 or Lesslie Hall at 229-3100 or 229-2435.

1986 Toyota pickup truck, SR5 model, 5-speed, 2wd, extra-cab, locking tool box included. Reliable, new inspection. \$1,800. Call 887-2384 (evenings).

'91 X2 650cc Kawasaki Jet Ski and galvanized trailer. After-market handlebars and stainless impeller. Fewer than 20 hrs. on professionally rebuilt engine. Papers available on engine. Call 229-1229 (home) or 221-2287 (work).

JVC AM/FM radio, dual cassette, CD player all-in-one with remote, detachable speakers, handle for carrying, nearly new, gently used; \$185 firm. 1-ct-weight diamond anniversary band in yellow gold setting, size 6.5, very gently used, \$1,000 firm. Call 221-2305 or 565-1317.

Baby/kid's stuff: sit 'n' stand double stroller, \$50; wooden crib, \$20; hardly used basketball hoop/backboard, \$50; high chair, \$10; Kettler tricycle, \$40; plastic toddler tricycle, \$10; Exersaucer, \$10. Call Joe at 221-1581 or Betsy at 564-8418.

### FOR RENT

Brick rancher with basement, 3 BRs, 2.5 baths, A/C, screened porch. Fully furnished, quiet neighborhood, 3 miles from campus. \$1,100/mo. Available June 1. Call 804-795-5805.

Unfurnished 4-BR house in Queens

nor research grants (students, faculty and staff); Oct. 8: semester research grants (faculty only); Oct. 15: summer research grants (faculty only). Applications must be received in the Grants Office (314 Jamestown Rd.) by 5 p.m. on the deadline date. Applications are available electronically at <http://www.wm.edu/AI/Grants/WMGRANTS> or you may contact Mike Ludwick by email at [mike@grants.wm.edu](mailto:mike@grants.wm.edu) or by phone at 221-3485.

### looking ahead

#### July 10-Aug. 2

8 p.m. (Tuesdays-Saturdays); 2 p.m. (Sundays) The Virginia Shakespeare Festival presents "Romeo and Juliet" and "Measure for Measure." Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall. Single performance tickets are \$12, \$20 for tickets to both plays. Box office, 221-2674 after June 9.

#### July 14

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Employee Appreciation Day. W&M Hall.

#### July 26-Aug. 1

"The 21st Century: The Century of Anthropology" is the theme for the 14th International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, which will meet on the William and Mary campus.

### community

#### July 18

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Annual Law School Forum: recruitment fair sponsored by the Law School Admission Council and more than 120 law schools. Free. Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C. Call 215-968-1001 or visit the website at <http://www.lisac.org>.

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# notes

### Class Of '48 Gift Funds Scholarship, Rare Book Gallery

The Class of '48 presented a check for \$540,000 to President Timothy Sullivan at its 50th reunion held during Olde Guard celebrations May 2-4 at the College. The money, the largest reunion gift ever, will support the Rare Book Gallery in the new Warren E. Burger Special Collections wing of Swem Library and allow for the permanent establishment of the Class of '48 Scholarship Endowment for deserving undergraduate students.

More than 350 senior alumni turned out for Olde Guard celebrations. Among those who attended was 102-year-old Ralph James '16, the College's oldest living alumnus, and Mary Land Gill and Kitty Topping Hill, who celebrated their 70th class reunion.

### Facilities Workers Now Wear ID Badges

Responding to security concerns, the Department of Facilities Management is now requiring all of its employees, including academic housekeepers, to wear photo identification cards at all times on campus. According to Associate Director Lisa Dessofo, the new policy is designed to ensure that all facilities management employees can be easily identified while in residence halls or academic buildings. "This hasn't been a big deal," Dessofo said. "Everyone has responded quite favorably to it." Facilities management hopes to eventually have all contractors working on campus wear similar identification cards.

### Proposals Sought For Tricentennial Poster

The Twentieth Century Gallery is sponsoring a juried competition for a poster as a memento representing the spirit of Williamsburg's 300th anniversary celebration slated for May 1, 1999.

A \$750 prize will be awarded to the artist whose poster is selected to represent the Tricentennial. Two additional artists will receive \$100 and \$200 for posters of special merit. The winning poster will be available to the public during 1999 and displayed along with other selected entries at the gallery this October.

Proposals for posters are due at the Twentieth Century Gallery, 219 North Boundary St., Williamsburg, VA 23187-0388, by Monday, June 1. For an entry form and specifications write the gallery or call 229-4949.

### Students Clean Out Closets For Charities

In the largest collection drive of the year, the Office of Student Volunteer Services and the Recycling Office collected more than 3,000 pieces of clothing, 1,500 items of food and 1,200 miscellaneous household items from students moving out for the year. The material was donated to several local churches and charities including FISH, the Salvation Army, Avalon and People's Place. This was the fourth year that the College has organized such a drive.



Director of Student Volunteer Services Kevin McCoy and O'neal McGregor of the recycling office with some of the clothing donated by students.

## WILLIAM & MARY NEWS

The next issue of the *William & Mary News* will be published on Thursday, June 25. Deadline for submission of items is 5 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 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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