



NEWS

A Newspaper for Faculty, Staff and Students

Visit our Website
http://www.wm.edu/wmnews/wm_news.html
E-mail: wmnews@mail.wm.edu

VOLUME XXX, NUMBER 7
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2000



Professor John Michael Finn revisited memories of his Vietnam outfit—he's fourth from left, below—in his recently e-published memoir, *Flashback*, above.

Flashback to an Unfinished War

Finn, physicist turned poet, publishes war memoir electronically

“Every day I live, I want to enjoy, to live fully. I think I’ve used up all my luck already.” So said Professor of Physics John Michael Finn, known to all as Mike, as he reflected on his service in Vietnam more than 30 years ago.

Swept into the U.S. Army after the Tet Offensive of 1968 with a large wave of other draftees, Finn was rendered

“Eleven-Bravo,” a rifleman, a grunt. Highly educated recruits were flooding into Vietnam once the graduate student deferments ended.

“Once I was drafted, I couldn’t have someone else go in my place,” he said, “and I’ve never regretted my decision.”

Mighty Words.com, an electronic publishing company, published his book, *Flashback: A*

Journey in Time, in October as an electronic book (e-book). In it, Finn uses poetry and prose to recount his impressions of a war fought and lost with too high a price. But he wanted to share the impressions he had of great dignity under stress, as he calls it.

“Not everyone has to act like an animal. I wanted to present a more balanced view of the American soldier in

Vietnam,” Finn said, “not necessarily what was on the nightly news.”

The death of a friend prompted Finn, whose research focuses on nuclear physics—specifically the quark substructure of nuclei—to write his reflections on Vietnam. “I was asked to write a poem to be read at his funeral,” Finn said. “I wrote it, and the minister read it as they lowered my friend into the ground. Then

I went home and a torrent of words poured out of me.”

The bulk of the 194 works in *Flashback* was written in 10 days, then rewritten, reorganized and polished before publication. Finn added some commentary, too, on how his war experiences affected his life as a physicist. “Some of

The jungle was dark and deep.
One step in,
And you’ve disappeared.
At the bottom of the canopy,
It is always twilight,
And sounds are swallowed whole.

—John Michael Finn, from *Flashback: A Journey in Time*

Continued on Page 6.



BOV Commits to In-State Ratio

Resolution reaffirms 65/35 standard

At its November meeting, the William and Mary Board of Visitors unanimously adopted a resolution reaffirming its commitment to the current 65/35 ratio of in-state to out-of-state undergraduate students. The resolution went on to affirm that the board “should retain the power to establish admission policies and adapt them to the circumstances of the College and the Commonwealth.”

The adoption of the resolution came one day after the defeat in the Virginia General Assembly of legislation offered by Del. James O’Brien (R-Clifton) that would have capped out-of-state enrollment for all public colleges and universities at 33 percent. Before the measure was defeated, President Timothy Sullivan spoke to the committee on behalf of the current policy.

“For more than 25 years, the Board of Visitors of the College of William and Mary has pursued vigorously a policy of

maintaining 65 percent of our undergraduate student body from Virginia. Has that policy produced the intended result? Absolutely. The admission profile for the College during the last decade demonstrates that this policy of 65/35 has been one of the higher education policies that has remained constant,” said Sullivan.

The president went on to point out to legislators that the proposal to admit more Virginia students would actually place an additional financial burden on the state: “For the better part of a generation, the Commonwealth of Virginia paid a substantial portion of the tuition cost of in-state students. When I was a student at William and Mary, the state paid 75 percent of the freight and the student 25 percent. During the ’90s, that policy was modified. The financial burden sharing for in-state students shifted during the recession from the

Continued on Page 6.

No Recount Necessary



Alumna Shelby Hawthorne, center, and graduate student Rebecca Bryson, second from right, help fifth-graders (left to right) Darian Hogan, Hannah Sheffield, Vlad Kudlin and Loro Francis count Children’s Choice ballots at Clara Byrd Baker Elementary School.

The Children’s Choice

“Welcome to Clara Byrd Baker Elementary School,” the sign at the door might as well read, “where the election results are clear enough to shame the state of Florida, and the bestseller list may well be the envy of the *New York Times*.”

For all our nation’s well-documented difficulty in choosing a president, the kinder-

gartners through fifth graders at this Williamsburg/James City County school breezed through their own election—Gov. Bush won by a 2-1 margin—and then moved on to a “Children’s Choice” of another sort entirely. With the help of Denise Johnson, visiting assistant professor of

Continued on Page 4.

news makers

Smoke-Out Comes to Campus

Campaign offered prevention with a positive message Nov. 16

"I pledge I will help my mother quit smoking."

"I pledge I will not smoke for the rest of the day."

"I pledge not to smoke when I go out this weekend."

"I pledge never to start smoking."

These are just a few of hundreds of pledges William and Mary students, faculty and staff made Thursday, Nov. 16, to celebrate the 18th annual Great American Smoke Out. The College's Kinesiology Club joined forces with Mary Crozier, substance abuse educator, to raise awareness about the American Cancer Society's initiative.

Their efforts were part of a continuing campaign at William and Mary to prevent students from smoking and to encourage those who do to quit. Over the past two years, the College has received \$10,000 in grants for smoking prevention education from the Virginia Department of Health. "Trickledown money from the tobacco settlements," says Crozier. "We're one of only five schools in the state to receive this money."

Prevention is still an option for College students, she says, because 75 percent of the College's students don't smoke. "Different juncture points in our lives

cause stress. Going off to college, a new job, marriage, divorce," she says. "That's why education and prevention programs are designed to work across a lifetime."

Using stipends from the Virginia Department of Health, the College's anti-tobacco campaign targeted freshmen with positive messages. "We focus on what really is, instead of the perception," says Crozier. "You might think that smokers are the majority because you see them in crowds huddled around ashtrays to smoke, but the reality is that a majority of our students don't smoke."

Beyond building awareness and encouraging students to determine smoking rules in the places they live, an anti-tobacco message is being infused into the curriculum. "Be it in economics, English, marketing or kinesiology, professors are finding ways to get the anti-smoking word out," says Crozier.

The Kinesiology Club and the substance abuse office saw the Great American Smoke Out as another way to

heighten awareness about anti-tobacco issues and quitting smoking, according to club members and senior kinesiology majors Kristin Will and Amy Hodukavich.

"We came up with the idea of the

Center or the Campus Center."

"The campus responded to our efforts," continues Will. "We were impressed with the attention we got. But there's a lot more that can be done next year."

Another anti-tobacco activist on campus is freshman Emily Broxterman. As a result of an essay she wrote in seventh grade, Broxterman joined the anti-tobacco crusade and has participated on the local, state and national levels. Her activism eventually brought her to the White House for a rally encouraging Congress to pass a new tobacco bill. At the rally, she introduced President Clinton.

She doesn't tell teens that smoking is bad for them because "kids don't like to be told what to do. It insults their intelligence. It's more about youth empowerment," says Broxterman, still a teen herself. "By showing them how the tobacco industry manipulates them and by giving them the facts, they are empowered to think about the issue and take a stand."

by Cindy Baker



Junior Julia Powers, seated, discusses the Great American Smoke Out with sophomores Taylor Phillips (left) and Mary Katherine Lowe at the Campus Center.

pledges to catch people's interest," says Hodukavich. "It was a way to voice an opinion about smoking without getting in anyone's face. And we didn't want to be just another table in the University



Frank Shatz (right) interviewed Romanian Ambassador Caius Dragomir for his Virginia Gazette column on foreign affairs.

Reves Center Round-Up

College enjoys visits by international observers Dragomir, Schneider, Wishard

The Reves Center for International Studies and the William and Mary community have been fortunate to host several eminent commentators on world affairs in the last few weeks. Students have had the opportunity to visit with Caius Dragomir, the former Romanian ambassador to France, who visited Nov. 16 and 17; Mark Schneider, the director of the Peace Corps, who also visited on Nov. 17; and global trends analyst William Van Dusen Wishard, who delivered the first annual Emery Reves Memorial Lecture Nov. 14.

Dragomir visited the College to launch the Pamela Harriman Fellowship Program, delivering a lecture on "Recent Political, Economic and Cultural Developments in Eastern Europe."

Dragomir spoke from his wealth of political experience, which includes tenures as Romanian ambassador to France, counselor to the prime minister, secretary of state, minister of information, presidential candidate and senator. He has done all that since the overthrow of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu in 1989. Dragomir is also a medical doctor who holds doctorates in cytochemistry and histochemistry, the author of six books of poetry, five volumes of essays, several books on philosophy and literary criticism and the editor of *Viata Romaneasca*, "Romanian Life"—a true Renaissance man.

Dragomir kept a low profile during

Business Undergrads Master Tax Challenge

Top prize earns \$20,000 in scholarships

School of Business Administration students overcame 80 other colleges and universities to bring home the undergraduate title at this year's Arthur Andersen Tax Challenge, held Nov. 17-19, in St. Charles, Ill. The first place prize carries \$20,000 in scholarship funds, donated to the winning school by the Andersen Foundation. Andersen representatives will be on campus next week to present the award to the School of Business on behalf of tax champions Dan Degnan, Emily Edwards, Shelly Gentry, all seniors, and junior Justin Miller.

Since 1993, William and Mary's undergraduate teams have placed first in four competitions and third in another, making the College the tax challenge's most winning school in the country.

William and Mary's graduate team, competing against 38 graduate schools, also performed well, placing in the top 10. Graduate students Jim Curtin, Megan McInerney, Meghan Oldis and Bill Tucker earned an honorable mention and \$1,500 in scholarship funds.

To date, William and Mary students competing in the tax challenge have won Andersen Foundation scholarship funds totaling \$80,000.

"Team members are to be commended for their outstanding performance," said Larry Pulley, dean of the School of Business Administration. "The results clearly demonstrate the excellence our students have achieved through their hard work and consistency."

For seven hours straight during the national competition, both teams worked through a complex, hypothetical client case study, testing their skills in information analysis; identification of data, issues, elections and alternative tax treatments; and performance of required calculations. Teams then formulated conclusions and submitted them to a panel of judges for evaluation.

"Some schools have the will to win, but we definitely have the will to prepare to win," said Quinn Professor of Accounting Jim Smith, who serves as faculty adviser to the William and Mary teams. "We've spent several months preparing and learning how to function as a team."

The Arthur Andersen Tax Challenge is the only annual nationwide college and university tax competition in the country. Designed to stimulate student interest in the field of taxation, the tax challenge holds graduate and undergraduate contests both regionally and nationally. ■

Continued on Page 6.

making headlines

Preserving Virginia's Archaeology: W&M and VDOT Present 12 Years of Research

A new compact disc set, titled *Preserving Virginia's Archaeology*, details excavations by the College's Center for Archaeological Research (CAR) in cooperation with the environmental division of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). The two-CD set includes 17 reports and accompanying analyses, diagrams and photos from 12 years of research, ranging from late Ice Age sites to remnants of early 20th-century farm life.

"It's seldom that any single project changes the face of archaeology," said CAR Director Dennis Blanton. "Rather, it is the cumulative effect that begins to make a difference. The *Preserving Virginia's Archaeology* compilation CDs represent the fundamental changes in our understanding of all aspects of Virginia history."

The CDs include analyses of Native American hunting and gathering camps from Southampton and Wise Counties, excavations of a prehistoric settlement along the Mattaponi River, African-American tenant farming in early 20th-century Radford, a Civil War-era winter encampment at Gloucester Point and traces of historic Kecoughtan, a series of 17th-century earthen houses in downtown Hampton.

Available at many public libraries, the CDs can also be purchased through the VDOT. To obtain the set, contact Lynwood Barthurst at (804) 786-5368 or send an e-mail to barthurst_lc@VDOT.STATE.VA.US

Robeson Named to Library Board

Gov. Gilmore announced recently his appointment of Franklin Robeson, Hays T. Watkins Professor of Business Administration, to the Library of Virginia's (LOV) board. The Library of Virginia is a state agency that provides reference and research assistance to other state agencies, members of the General Assembly, public libraries and the general public. The LOV also houses the archival records of the Commonwealth of Virginia, provides consultation services for state agencies and public libraries and publishes numerous books on Virginia history and culture.

Phi Beta Kappa to Initiate 40

On Dec. 5, 40 seniors will be initiated into the Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. They include Susan Bacon, Bethany Barone, AJ Bostian, Jason Ciejka, Anne Coleman, Jessica Cordes, Amanda Creekman, Kevin Croke, Mariana Cruz, Karen Dause, Mary Delaney, Laura DeLong, Laura Fisher, Melissa Game, Kathlyn Golladay, Ryan Greene-Roesel, Erika Gruber, and Rebecca Hadley. Also, Christina Hall, Lucy Hansen, Jennifer Harris, Kelley Hoffman, Brian Hopkinson, My-Trinh Huynh, Edward Johnson, Emily Jusino, Deborah Justice, Kevin Knott, Patrick Lewis, Donald McGlothlin, Meghan Nolan, Kelly Ross, Augustin Sedgewick, Katherine Shrieves, Michael Spitzer II, Christopher VandenBussche, Rachel Wheeler, Kathryn White, Robin Yehle and Kristin Zech.

In Class With Jasmin Lambert

Theatre 150W01 . . . Black Comedy

You might expect an assistant professor of theatre and inveterate actor to know something about making an entrance, and in the case of Jasmin Lambert, you'd be quite right. Her classes often learn this lesson early on, when their own expectations are turned on their heads.

"On the first day of class, I can just sit there and be quiet, and they think I'm another student," says Lambert, who in her third year of teaching can easily pass for an undergraduate. "I listen in on what they've heard about the class, or the professor, for a few minutes, and then stand up and introduce myself. Then there's a great, collective sigh; they're usually surprised," she says.

Lambert's charade as a student—like everything she does in the classroom, from performing to sharing personal anecdotes—comes with a lesson. "I try and break down the notions of what authority looks like," she says. "Representations in the media color what we expect of people, and we have to understand those images." Thus her freshman seminar, "You Go Boy! From BuckWheat to Martin Lawrence: African American Comedic Traditions as Cultural Narrative."

In a sweeping survey that began with enslaved Africans and will end with modern box-office marvel Chris Tucker, Lambert's class examines the cultural influence of the often degrading depictions of African Americans in film, theatre and comedy. Representing several ethnic backgrounds, her 16 freshmen share an enthusiasm—and increasingly, an important conclusion—about their studies.

"The majority of my students, they'll say at the beginning of the semester"—she's acting a bit now, her voice sweet and syrupy with naiveté—"Oh, Dr. Lambert, everything is fine; these images don't exist anymore." Then at the end of the semester they'll come back and say—"new voice now, a bit indignant"—"I was watching *Martin*. Those minstrel stereotypes were right there." And it's true," Lambert affirms. "They do still sell. So it's our job to understand them, get past them, make sure we have other representations out there."

Reaching this new understanding is no mean task, and without Lambert's informal but informed class discussions, probably impossible. The issues at work in the material

are often complex enough, like the recent dramatic reading that featured a white student playing an African American actor playing a white character. But the experiences of the students with the representations they're examining are often just as powerful. A recent discussion of Douglas Turner Ward's 1965 play *Day of Absence* came complete with references to everything from the challenges of interracial relationships to recent efforts to secure a "living wage" for the College's staff.

During these discussions Lambert is less likely to be mistaken for a student, flavoring them as she does with tales from her acting career and current research. Considering "non-traditional" casting—awarding roles to actors without considering their race, or the character's—Lambert's class learns of her turns as Lady Macbeth in an otherwise all-white cast and as a "dumb blonde" in *Born Yesterday*. Her research for a forthcoming book, *Staging the Mulatto Body*, also lends detail to the debates. Lambert's enthusiasm is at its most contagious explaining her project: this summer she discovered several unpublished plays, including one by Langston Hughes.

By the semester's end, the class should ap-



Erika Strickland (far left) and Jasmin Lambert watch as two members of Lambert's freshman seminar perform a scene from Douglas Turner Ward's play *Day of Absence*.

preciate how minstrelsy, Richard Pryor's stand-up and Hughes' Harlem Renaissance affect contemporary representations of African Americans. According to Erika Strickland and Shelby Little, the class has already come a long way.

"When the class first met, no one really wanted to say anything for fear of saying the wrong thing, and seeming insensitive or even racist," says Little. "But it's kind of shocking, everything we've covered since then," Strickland continues. "Dr. Lambert makes it comfortable to have all sorts of conversations." ■

by Jackson Sasser

Students, Staff Rally for a "Living Wage"

Tidewater Labor Support Committee raises awareness on campus

About 250 students, faculty and staff members gathered in the Sunken Garden Nov. 16 to express their concerns about wage levels for hourly College employees. According to the Tidewater Labor Support Committee (TLSC), the College group which organized the rally, some staff members, including housekeepers and food service workers, make less than the federal poverty level, or a "living wage."

Associate Professor of History Cindy Hahamovitch, whose research interests include labor history, addressed the gathering,

as did senior Chris Mercer, who offered a student perspective. He emphasized the many close relationships students enjoy with hourly employees, especially members of the housekeeping staff.

The TLSC has focused its attention on a living wage campaign since April, and has circulated a petition for "A Just Wage for William and Mary Workers." The petition includes almost 2,000 signatures, according to the TLSC. The petition emphasizes, among other things, the importance of a living wage; the goal of creating more full-time posi-

tions at William and Mary; and the possibility of offering more opportunities for training and advancement.

"William and Mary is committed to doing the best it can for all its employees," said Vice President for Management and Budget Sam Jones. "In many cases, however, we find ourselves constrained by the rules and regulations of the Commonwealth. We continue to look for opportunities to influence the Commonwealth's personnel and pay policies, and our hope is that by influencing these policies we can address

some of the concerns voiced in the living wage campaign."

The TLSC hopes that its efforts will encourage such change. "The rally was planned near Thanksgiving, for us to give thanks to the people who make the College work," said graduate student Kelly Gray, director of the TLSC. "We're hoping to raise awareness on campus, and convince the College that this is something we need to fix." ■

by Jackson Sasser

College Reading Initiatives Bring Books to Virginia Schoolchildren

Denise Johnson gives children a choice at three local schools

Continued from Page 1.

education, the Clara Byrd Baker students are "voting" on their favorite children's books as part of an annual initiative co-sponsored by the International Reading Association and Children's Book Council.

Johnson distributed almost 3,000 books to Baker and two other schools in the area. Donated by their publishers, these books represent close to a quarter of all children's titles published this year—and a \$40,000 value. Judging the books in their classes, according to their reading levels, Baker's students will join children around the country in narrowing the list to the top 100 titles. Exit polls suggest that *Dinosaurs Before Dark*, *Mouse in Love* and *Click, Clack Moo Cows That Type* are among the early favorites.

Baker's corps of teachers—many of whom have studied in the College's School of Education at some point in their careers—supply their students with a new set of 12 to 16 books and ballots every Monday. Kindergartners and first and second graders, who often listen while their teachers read the selections to them, vote with green ballots—third through fifth graders use orange ballots. Happily, there's not a butterfly ballot in the bunch.

Shelby Hawthorne '67, M.Ed. '75, Baker's

reading coordinator, tallies the counts every two or three weeks, and often comes across a clandestine teacher submission. "I love to see the little notes I get: 'I'd like to have this book in February, for Valentine's Day,' for example," she says. "And the teachers look forward to the new books themselves—'Wait'll you get this box, this one was great.'" Johnson's intricately



Denise Johnson's literary mother lode of 3,000 Children's Choice books took up a goodly portion of the School of Education's library before she distributed them to area elementary schools, including Clara Byrd Baker.

designed schedule ensures that all the classes will see all the books.

"The logistics have worked really well," Hawthorne says, "and the children get really excited when we get new books." She's not much for hiding her own excitement—you can hear it in her voice, especially around her stu-

dents—and she claims no impartiality as an election official. "I've already got two copies of *Click, Clack Moo Cows That Type* at home."

A few of Wright's fifth-graders were kind enough to reveal some allegiances, as well. Darian Hogan found herself partial to *A Carnival of Animals*, and Hannah Sheffield favored *Mammabilia*. Vlad Kudlin and Loro Francis, who recently moved to Williamsburg from Uzbekistan and the Sudan, respectively, have been helped along with their English by Children's Choice selections. And they all found *Miss Alanius* appropriate: it describes a fifth-grade class having trouble keeping vocabulary words straight.

Though every class' schedule is different, Wright's students enjoy ending their day with their reading assignments. "Normally it's after geography or science," Hogan said, "and we like to relax after that, because they're kind of tense." Besides casting their ballots, the students often complete reader responses, such as writing a paragraph from a character's point of view.

"The neat thing about our selections is that they're new books by new authors," Hawthorne says of the Children's Choice field. Then she said what must be, for most fifth-graders at least, the magic words. "*Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* is even part of our selection."

Though Harry hasn't made it yet, Baker's younger students did entertain a special guest on Nov. 13. Gail Gibbons, who wrote five of the

books in this year's Children's Choice program, came to address the students, perhaps by way of "certifying" the election. She spoke in the school's library, where the Children's Choice books will ultimately reside.

Although Johnson is new to Williamsburg—this is her first semester as a visiting assistant professor—she's in her second year as one of five regional directors throughout the nation. The program is an excellent fit with her teaching and research, which focus on reading education and children's literature.

"There's just nothing better than getting books in the hands of children," Johnson says. "And when they're able to choose the books they read, children are more likely to read independently. Something that is clear from each year's list, is that what teachers think is great and what students think is great are two very different things."

Clara Byrd Baker will complete its literary election in January, when the totals will be forwarded to *The Reading Teacher*, which will publish the top 100 titles in its October 2001 issue. (The Williamsburg area is one of only five locales in the nation to participate in the program.) Hawthorne and company are also planning a spring celebration at the new College bookstore in Merchants Square.

For a school that took its presidential election so seriously—with voter registration cards and "I voted" stickers—their Children's Choice results should be rock-solid certifiable. As Hawthorne says, in the understatement of the season, "Children are definitely finding out how important their votes are." ■

by Jackson Sasser

Patricia Popp, Autumn Literacy Initiative Inspire HOPE

"I'll get the next book," chirped a little girl as Jo Lynne DeMary read the last page of *White Rabbit's Color Book*, in hopes that she would read each and every book from the large box brought to Flagler Home that day.

And no doubt DeMary, Virginia's superintendent of public instruction, would have loved to do just that. She came to the Henrico County transitional housing facility Nov. 1 to kick off the Autumn Literacy Initiative by reading to the young children living there. Patricia Popp, director for Project HOPE in the School of Education, oversaw the Literacy Initiative.

The books donated to Flagler Home are just a few of the 5,600 purchased from Scholastic Inc., Shortland Publications Inc. and Capstone Press for a program to give children living in homeless and domestic violence shelters in Virginia easy access to books.

Popp said the idea germinated during a seminar she attended this year. The presenter told a group that his research showed two key points: reading a lot leads to reading well, and students need access to easy, interesting books to promote reading.

"That talk sparked our imaginations and swung us into immediate action," Popp said. In the audience were DeMary and James Stronge, state coordinator for Virginia's Homeless Education Program, Project HOPE, which operates from William and Mary, and a professor of education at the College.

After DeMary brought the idea back to the Virginia Department of Education and looked for funding, Popp and Project HOPE's staff col-

laborated with the state's Office of Compensatory Education Programs. Together they designed libraries of children's books that are being distributed to shelters that serve homeless children in more than 20 school districts across Virginia. Books were selected based on the Virginia Standards of Learning and input from participating school divisions and shelter staff.

"We researched where books were needed," Popp said. "Then we ordered them from the publishers and are coordinating the distribution to the shelters." More than 50 shelters will

receive books geared to children from preschool through fifth grade using Title I and Title IV monies.

Project HOPE facilitates the enrollment, attendance and success of homeless children in school through public awareness efforts and subgrants to school divisions. During the recent estimate, Project HOPE found the number of homeless children in the state between July 1999 and June 2000 at more than 17,000. ■

by Ann Gaudreux



Jo Lynne DeMary, superintendent of public instruction, reads to children at the Flagler Home during the kick-off of the Autumn Literacy Initiative. Looking on at right are, left to right, George Irvy, state director of compensatory education, Pat Ziletti, principal, Holladay Elementary School, and Patricia Popp, program administrator, Project HOPE at the College.

Board Announces New Appointments

Martin named vice president for administration; Wayland to head D.C. office

Two senior-level appointments were confirmed by the College's Board of Visitors on Nov. 17. Anna Martin, currently executive director of operations in the office of the under secretary of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., has been appointed vice president for administration of the university. Susan Wayland, currently the acting assistant administrator for prevention, pesticides and toxic substances at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), was named interim director of William and Mary's newly established Washington, D.C., office.

"Anna Martin's extensive experience in overseeing facilities, human resources, property management and technology administration should help William and Mary strengthen its efforts to offer an exceptional education at reasonable costs to our students," said President Timothy Sullivan. "We expect that Susan Wayland's understanding of the federal government should enable her to use the Washington office both to enrich the educational experience of our students and to increase William and Mary's ef-

fectiveness in the nation's capital."

In her new position, Martin will supervise personnel services, auxiliary services, facilities management, material management and the campus police. As a member of the Smithsonian Institution's senior management team, she has had direct responsibility for human resources, equal employment and labor and employee relations, and executive oversight of facilities, security and information technology. Also in her current post, Martin has developed a blueprint for the reform of the Smithsonian's human resources system, streamlined services and established an employee-relations working group to improve personnel operations. In addition, she has led efforts to develop institutional strategic plans.

Martin earned her undergraduate degree from Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill., and a master's degree in adult and continuing education from Virginia Tech. Before joining the Smithsonian in 1990, she was special assistant to the general manager of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and

worked in various public relations positions for the American Society for Training and Development, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the U.S. Rail Association and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Wayland will manage the operation of the College's Washington office. She comes to William and Mary through an arrangement under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act, which provides for the temporary assignment of personnel between the federal government and state and local governments, colleges and universities and other eligible organizations.

A 1968 William and Mary graduate, Wayland will work with faculty and campus officials to promote use of the Washington office to enrich the academic programs of the College and to develop internship and practicum opportunities for students. Much of Wayland's effort on behalf of the College will center on environmentalism, an area that has been the focus of her career.

In her current position at the EPA, Wayland heads an office of 1,400 employees and an annual budget in excess

of \$200 million to prevent pollution and reduce risks of chemicals and pesticides. Her accomplishments include implementing the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996, developing strategies for the protection of ground water and endangered species from pesticide threats, advancing the protection of children from lead poisoning and increasing citizens' information about discharges of toxic pollutants in their communities.

Wayland's professional recognitions include the EPA's gold medal for exceptional service, the presidential rank award as a meritorious executive in the senior executive service, and the presidential rank award as a distinguished executive, which was presented by President Clinton this fall.

Both Martin and Wayland are expected to begin work in early January. The campus community will welcome Wayland with a reception Dec. 5 in the Reves Center's Reves Room from 5:30 to 7 p.m. ■

by Bill Walker



We journeyed to the Netherlands with 200 other U.S. college students to the Greenpeace Climate Summit to act as a voice of conscience within the highly politicized negotiation process. Gathered in The Hague were 180 nations, there to discuss the format of the Kyoto Protocol, a 1997 treaty aimed at reducing the emission of greenhouse gases contributing to global warming. This treaty is the first stage in an international initiative to stop anthropogenic climate change. According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), this initiative will require 50-70 percent reductions from 1990 emission levels. With a 5-percent reduction goal,

Letter from The Hague

Over the Thanksgiving holiday, senior Mary Westervelt and junior Peter Maybarduk traveled to The Hague, Netherlands, with an international Greenpeace delegation for the sixth United Nations World Conference on Climate Change. After returning to campus, they reflected on the experience for the News.

the Kyoto Protocol is a modest but crucial step toward ending global warming.

Rapid climate change is perhaps the most significant threat facing human society this century. According to the IPCC, a UN scientific body comprising more than 2,500 scientists, global warming will cause the loss of the human life and biodiversity as well as massive decreases in agricultural productivity in the next few decades, particularly in highly vulnerable arid, rural regions of the world. Climate change has been linked to the increased thinning of arctic ice and greater severity of weather patterns in recent years.

The Student Climate Summit began on Saturday, as more than 6,000 world citizens gathered to build a sandbag dike around the convention center, symbolizing the danger of rising sea levels to low-lying nations such as the Netherlands. We "caroled" and delivered coal-filled stockings to delegations aiming to weaken the treaty, including several national governments and the industry lobby group, the Global Climate Coalition. We sang at the convention center's

monument in a rally uniting several hundred conference participants during the final hours of negotiation. We also joined in still-life caricatures of the proceedings and a Thanksgiving Day fast. We also spoke with government officials and delegates including Ian Bowles, chief of environmental quality at the White House; Frank Loy, lead U.S. negotiator and under secretary of state for global affairs; and Robert Watson, head scientist of the IPCC.

The Student Climate Summit marked the beginning of youth involvement in a process historically bogged down by a lack of energy and a surplus of bureaucracy. Delegates from around the world, particularly from the global South, welcomed and praised the sense of urgency brought to the negotiations by the voice of a well-educated international youth delegation. While the nations negotiated, we helped organize 10 days of debates, lectures and demonstrations, hoping to create an effective, loophole-free Kyoto Protocol. Beginning with a press conference on Nov. 21, the stu-

dents called on the U.S. delegates to uphold their responsibilities as global leaders. They asked the delegation to end their endorsement of nuclear power as a "green" energy alternative, of carbon sequestration "sinks" in lieu of reduced emissions, and of excessive international emissions trading rather than domestic environmental responsibility.

After two weeks of negotiations, the conference reached an impasse and no final resolution was drafted. The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change is currently planning an intermediary conference to resolve the conflict. We both hope to continue our participation at the seventh meeting, in Morocco next year.

In the meantime, we recognize that ratifying a meaningful Kyoto Protocol will require a greatly raised awareness here at home, together with action and compromise. We plan to work throughout the year to ensure that the U.S. Senate will have the public support it needs to ratify an effective Protocol. ■

Professor's Vietnam recollections e-published

Continued from Page 1.

these stories I had told to friends before but, by and large, I didn't know these stories were in there. I wrote it for myself," he said, "so I didn't hold anything back."

While some classical studies faculty members have published online reviews and several science faculty have e-published scientific research, Finn is among the first at William and Mary with an e-book.

"The story I tell is a bit mystical, but it is also a rational story, because I am a scientist," Finn said. "I consider it a story, but it is not fictional at all." It is a compilation of a 30-year perspective, a journey and a history from the eyes of the beholder, he says.

An upshot of the e-book has been a reunion with a long-lost friend and soldier, "Doc."

Not only did Doc remember Mike, he re-

Doc named one of his sons Michael and told his children about him and their friendship.

"I just found all this out after 30 years," Finn said. "Doc told me that the book was a good representation of what happened in Vietnam. It has helped validate all my memories."

During the College's conference on Vietnam last spring, Finn was the moderator of a



Rifleman John Michael Finn in Vietnam, July 1969.

panel that included journalists Peter Arnett, Sydney Schanberg and others who discussed "The Fall of Saigon and Phnom Penh."

After returning from Vietnam and completing graduate school, Finn conducted research at MIT, then came to William and

Mary in 1985 to work at the nascent accelerator facility now known as the Thomas Jefferson

National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab), in Newport News. He is still involved in many of the Lab's experiments. "I have the best job in the country with the best students in an area with

the best lifestyle," he said. "I couldn't ask for anything more."

When he returned from his tour of duty, Finn was treated like many veterans of the unpopular war, with disdain. "We were treated like the enemy, but in many ways, we were the victims. As a country, we have never really come to terms with our involvement in the Vietnam War. I hope the book will be seen as a healing book for the Vietnam veteran. I hope it will be used as a learning experience." ■

by Ann Gaudreaux

To order a copy of *Flashback: A Journey in Time*, visit mightywords.com and search for John Michael Finn.

"Never forget to love the people, I repeated to no one in particular, the refrain reverberating as if it were some kind of radical idea."

—John Michael Finn, from *Flashback: A Journey in Time*

Reves Center welcomes noted speakers

Continued from Page 2.

Ceausescu's rule, practicing medicine, teaching pathology at the university in Bucharest and tutoring medical students. Despite the fact that his activities were largely apolitical, Dragomir was twice brought to secret police headquarters to be questioned.

Following Ceausescu's bloody overthrow, Dragomir helped to renew Romania, a process he sees as "not as easy as I once thought." In a private conversation following Ceausescu's demise, Dragomir told a friend he thought it would take "two weeks" to reintegrate Romania into the Western political and economic system, considering the hunger in Romania for democracy and freedom. "Of course, I was wrong," he said. "Now we know this will take much, much longer."

Mark Schneider, director of the Peace Corps, also visited campus on Nov. 17. In both his public lecture and lunch with Monroe Scholars, Schneider described the challenges faced

by Peace Corps volunteers in the 21st century, including bringing the information age to developing areas and helping control the AIDS epidemic in Africa.

Schneider told of meeting his wife, Susan—who accompanied him to Williamsburg—while working for the Peace Corps in El Salvador.

"Knowledge changes the lives of people we work with," he said, "and in the case of my wife and myself, our work also changed the way we view our-



Mark Schneider explained the value of a Peace Corps experience to 25 Monroe Scholars over lunch in James Blair.

selves."

Global trends analyst William Van Dusen Wishard offered his thoughts on the next 30 years—when, he believes, globalization will be the key in

many areas—in the first annual Emery Reves Memorial Lecture Nov. 13. His talk, titled "Warning: You Have Entered the Most Decisive Three Decades in History," was adapted from his forthcoming book *Between Two Ages: The 21st Century and the Crisis of Meaning* (Xlibris).

The rapid development of high technology and scientific advances in research can work both ways, according to Wishard. They have the potential to greatly improve the human condition or

degrade people to the level of "machines." Like Emery Reves and Nelson Mandela, who Wishard noted for their exemplary visions, he is convinced that the human spirit is capable of overcoming any challenge "given the vision, the will and the leadership."

Of Reves and Mandela, Wishard said, "Both of them had a world perspective, and both of them understood the unfolding of a new era of human history." ■

notes

Winter Holiday Closings, King Holiday

The College will be closed from 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21, through Tuesday, Jan. 2. Offices will reopen on Wednesday, Jan. 3.

In addition, legislation has been passed to create a new state holiday in honor of civil rights leader Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Beginning in 2001, the third Monday in January will become Martin Luther King Day, an official state holiday of the Commonwealth. The College will officially be closed on Monday, Jan. 15.

Consistent with our recent policy, some employees must be available to meet the needs of the public, students, parents and other state agencies. Decisions about the exact level of staffing will be made by individual vice presidents and deans. Please address any questions about this policy to your supervisor, the Office of the Provost or the Office of the Vice President for Management and Budget.

Inclement Weather Policy

The policy regarding university operations in the event of seriously inclement weather conditions (usually heavy snow or ice) is as follows: The university will remain open under most reasonably foreseeable weather conditions, especially during periods when classes are in session. If weather conditions are such as to make it impossible to maintain a reasonable level of academic activity, the university will be closed. Such announcements will cancel all classes and work obligations for everyone except those personnel identified as essential to maintenance, security and health services. For information regarding closings, call the Office of University Relations at 221-2630 or 221-ISNO or 221-1766. The decision to close the university in full or in part will be given as soon as possible during the morning (if weather conditions worsen overnight) to the Campus Police and to radio and television stations.

Special Collections to Relocate Temporarily

In January, the College's Manuscripts and Rare Books Department and University Archives will move temporarily to a 10,000-square-foot facility located in Toano at 8105 Richmond Rd., Suite 207. While located in Toano, a 20-minute drive from the Williamsburg campus, Special Collections will provide the same access and services to researchers that it does at present in Swem Library. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays when classes are in session.

Moving Special Collections outside Swem Library will provide space within Swem to relocate staff and collections while the 1966 and 1988 structures are being renovated. When renovation is completed, in 2003, Special Collections will move back to campus and occupy handsome quarters in the newly constructed building.

Special Collections will be closed during the actual move, which is scheduled to begin on Jan. 3 and expected to be completed no later than Feb. 15. For further updates on the move and to contact staff about particular research needs, please see the Special Collections Web site at <http://www.swem.wm.edu/SpColl/index.html>.

Board of Visitors to sustain in-state/out-of-state ratio

Continued from Page 1.

Commonwealth to out-of-state students.

"Today at William and Mary, out-of-state students pay 120 percent of the cost of attending the College. As a result, the subsidy for Virginia students is now paid in part, not just by the taxpayer, but by other students," said Sullivan.

In addition to noting the tu-

ition subsidy for in-state students provided by out-of-state students, the resolution endorsed by the Board of Visitors calls attention to the way that out-of-state students' "diverse experiences, ideas, talents and views ... enhance the quality of the education offered all students of the College." ■

by Bill Walker

Tale of A Two Emilies

tribe
sports

Cross country runners Furia and Halm are an impressive one-two punch

A brisk run around the course, a little time killed at the mall, trying to keep your mind off the big race. All things considered, Sunday, Nov. 19—the day before the NCAA cross-country championships—was like any other race weekend for senior Emily Furia and freshman Emily Halm.

But come Monday morning, when the gun went off, things got a little weird. For starters, the race time temperature was a balmy 18 degrees, with a stiff 30-mile-per-hour wind pushing a light snow and making things feel more like 20 below. But even more discomfiting than the Vaseline smeared all over Furia's face (the better to prevent windburn) was the lack of a familiar footfall: Halm's.

Throughout each of the season's six previous meets, and months of practice prior to that, the two Emilies ran as if joined at the hip. (Average time separating their top two places in each meet: 14 seconds.) But in the bitter cold at Iowa State, while "Big Emily" (Furia goes 5'9") contested the elements along the 6K course, "Little Emily" (Halm's 5'3") fought the crowds, scurrying to shout encouragement at every corner. "I was exhausted when the race was over," said Halm, who ran at least 6K cheering Furia on to her 110th-place finish. (Two-hundred eighty-five runners competed, and Furia and Halm also cheered on the William and Mary men's team, which finished 10th—see brief below.)

When Halm missed her own invitation at nationals by just four seconds—the difference between eighth and ninth place in the Tribe's regional meet—she knew she wanted to make the trip anyway, to support her teammate and training partner. Coach Pat Van Rossum, who looks forward to several more championship trips with his freshman phenom, was more than happy to oblige. And Furia, in turn, was grateful for the support.

"I was really glad that Coach brought Emily, not just so I could have someone

to run with, room with and go shopping with, but also because I know that she's going to be going again. I remember that I was pretty frightened the first time I went [in 1998, when the team qualified], so I'm glad she got to experience it once without having to compete."

Although this year, according to Van Rossum, they've been "side by side every step of the way," Furia and Halm come from very different running backgrounds. Furia—whose high school didn't even have a cross country program until her junior year—has enjoyed a career that mirrors her approach to racing. Her style involves a smooth start and then a steady move up through the field, finishing, as Halm says, "like a bat out of hell." Appropriately enough, she has improved every year at William and Mary, and seems to have saved her best for last. She finished 11th—good enough for an All America recognition—in the 1,500 during last spring's track season.

team. Then last year, as a senior, she posted the 16th-fastest time in the mile by a high-schooler in the nation. And naturally, when racing, she'd rather go out hard from the get go and see who can come get her. Few can.

Both runners say that the other's approach has made them tougher competitors. Take Halm, for example, who settled her recruiting sweepstakes on William and Mary largely because of Furia's fine collegiate record. Though she still likes to go out hard, she's learned to "kick" like her mentor, a combination that should trouble her opponents in seasons to come.

Furia and Halm seem to shine individually, but their talk is all team. "I think the team's the closest we've been during my four years here," Furia says, "and it probably has a lot to do with our freshman class." Halm, for her part, emphasizes how welcome the older runners made the newcomers. When the conver-

Lara Toscani, one of the three freshmen who regularly found the Tribe's top five this season, says that both Emilies are "phenomenal teammates. When you finish a race, the first thing they want to know is how you ran, even though you know they probably won the thing. They're incredible runners—they make it look easy. But they also make it comfortable to train and race with them." Furia's grown on Toscani a bit since their first meeting, years ago on a high school track, when "she absolutely smoked me in an 800," Toscani recalls with a laugh.

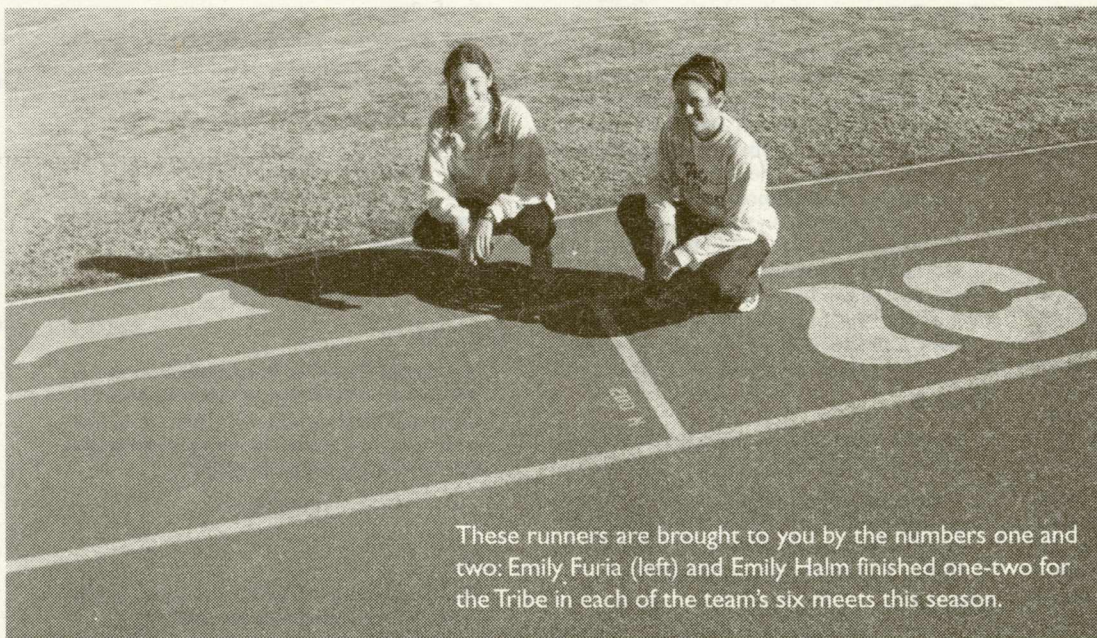
Unfortunately, there was more snowing than smoking going on two weekends ago at Iowa State. "I grew up in Wisconsin," said Van Rossum, "and I've seen some pretty bad conditions, but I've never raced in anything like that. They were telling folks not to go outside, not to exert yourself, and we had athletes out there exerting themselves 100 percent." While her comrade raced in tights and a long-

sleeve T-shirt, Halm's cheer gear included long underwear, two long sleeve shirts, two fleeces, a windbreaker, two pairs of pants and two pairs of gloves. "And I was freezing," she says.

Furia's work is far from done—indoor track practices are already in progress, and outdoor will follow fast on their heels. Interestingly enough, and perhaps dangerously for opponents, both Furia and Halm consider themselves track runners first and foremost. Well, perhaps students first; Furia's a three-time Academic All-America, and Halm has already settled on an environmental science major.

The only trouble with track is that it's more of an individual gambit than a team attack. Well, for most teams. "Track doesn't have to be a team sport," says Toscani. "But when you're running with people like Emily and Emily, you always know you're part of a team." ■

by Jackson Sasser



These runners are brought to you by the numbers one and two: Emily Furia (left) and Emily Halm finished one-two for the Tribe in each of the team's six meets this season.

Halm, on the other hand, is a bit more precocious, both on the course and in her accomplishments as a high school runner. She developed her talent on the track early on, running No. 1 for four years at her Ohio high school's track

sation turns away from the team, the two Emilies tend to clam up—but it's every bit as difficult to stop their teammates from praising the pair as it is to coax Furia and Halm into addressing their own accomplishments.

sports briefs

Ukrop's Groceries Galore!

This season Ukrop's is giving away a \$1000 gift certificate to one lucky William and Mary faculty/staff person at every home men's basketball game. The one catch is that you must be present to win. If the faculty/staff member is not present, then four faculty/staff members who register on the concourse will win \$50 gift certificates from Ukrop's just for supporting Tribe Basketball and being a part of the crowd.

Next chances to win are on Dec. 2, 6 and 22. Check your men's basketball schedule card for opponents and times.

Hameen Ali to Receive Spirit Award

Senior Tribe tailback Hameen Ali will be among the nation's most outstanding college football players honored at the Home Depot 2000 College Football Awards Dec. 7. During the program, which will be carried live on ESPN from 9 to 11 p.m., Ali will receive the Disney's Wide World of Sports Spirit Award. The award is presented annually to an individual or team in college football who displays courage and inspiration while overcoming adversity.

A three-year starter who earned All-Atlantic 10 honors during his sophomore year, Ali is among the top 10 career rushers in William and Mary history.

Men's Cross Country Takes 10th

For the fourth time in the history of the W&M men's cross country program, the squad earned a spot in the top 10 at the NCAA Championships, sliding in at No. 10 with 363 points.

Leading the way for the Tribe was sophomore Ed Moran, crossing the finish line in 31:00.5 to earn a 32nd-place finish. He was followed by sophomore Todd Swenson and junior Ben Jenkins, who finished in 76th and 80th places, respectively. Junior Sean Graham and sophomore Jacob Frey rounded out the Tribe's scoring runners. Graham posted a time of 31:59.6, good enough for 133rd place. Frey was close behind, finishing 142nd in 32:03.7.

