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# Class of 2007 Gets Enthusiastic Welcome

Convocation speaker urges W&M freshmen to 'dream' and 'serve'



President Timothy J. Sullivan joins in welcoming the class of 2007 to W&M.

Among the upperclassmen cheering and clapping for the class of 2007, few would disagree with James Comey's ('82) assertion that William and Mary makes it difficult to cruise through four years of college without really learning anything. Even the newest students, with just three days of

classes under their belts, likely agreed as they heard Comey's remarks at this year's convocation ceremony.

But that's what makes William and Mary so amazing. It's also why people like Comey, the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, come back to the College and urge students to make the best of their time here.

"This little corner of the 'Real World'—this island—is different. And on this island, there are people who will poke you and prod you and demand that you give a hard scrubbing to your ideas, to your beliefs and to your conclusions, and who will demand that you listen to understand what the other person is saying," he said.



Upperclassmen cheer as freshmen complete the traditional convocation walk through the Wren Building.

Deciding to embrace that challenge is a choice that lies within each individual student, Comey said.

"You can use your time here as a bridge between high school and a job," Comey said, "Lots of good people—fine

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people—do that, and it's an awful mistake."

Instead, he urged students "to learn, to question, to complain, to protest, to whine, to study, to dream and to serve," and to let William and Mary train them

as well-rounded citizens of the world—the kind of people the world truly needs.

Referring to the terrorist events of Sept. 11, 2001, as evidence of this need, Comey told students that "your obliga-

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# College's New Provost Will Strive to Make W&M One of World's Great Institutions of Higher Ed

Imagine a rustic cabin high in the Colorado Rockies. Surrounded by grand vistas, lowing cattle and cool, dry air. Far above the cares of the world. Then, envision yourself relaxing on the front porch of that cabin, reading a new book, studying an interesting rock you found on your daily hike or, maybe, just taking a short snooze.

The College's new provost, Geoffrey Feiss, has that available to him—and it's only a plane ride away.

So what is he doing sitting in the Brafferton, wrestling with budget problems, dealing with personnel issues and struggling to improve the quality of education for William and Mary's 7,500 students?

"This place has good bones," explained Feiss, only two months into his tenure as the College's chief academic officer and second in command to President Timothy J. Sullivan. "In fact, to move forward, we must first reaffirm as an institution that we are positioned to achieve great things. That's what intrigues me."

Despite the fiscal challenges, the new provost exudes a quiet optimism about William and Mary, especially when he exam-

ines the president's proposition that William and Mary can become one of the world's great institutions of higher education.

"Is this a reasonable, indeed a rational, aspiration? The task seems daunting, but I believe that we can position the College to achieve that goal sometime within the next two gen-

erations—but only if we take a series of needed steps in the next few years," said Feiss.

Determining exactly what steps are required will require considerable discussion with the faculty, the administration, the board, alumni and many others, Feiss said. But with the skill of a born team-builder, the provost has set

about the task by initiating a series of informal conversations, discussions that are already beginning to lead toward some tentative conclusions.

"We must stay true to our core principles and strengths. The values and character of this place—its moral niche—should not be jeopardized by decisions we make or opportunities we seek," said Feiss.

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## William and Mary Retains Rank among Publics

### Disturbing news in the fine print

The College of William and Mary has retained its rank as the best small public university in the

nation, according to the latest edition of U.S. News & World Report, but some data contained in the rankings demonstrate the increasing toll that a \$27.9million reduction in state support has had on the institution.

William and Mary ranks sixth among public universities in the latest ranking (the same as last year) but dropped one notch to 31st among all national universities (as compared to 30th last year).

"The fine print, however, contains disturbing evidence of the erosion of the College's position due to state budget cuts," said President Timothy J. Sullivan. "William and Mary ranks 120th among national

universities in terms of financial resources. The disparity between our overall rank, 31st, and our financial rank of 120th is dramatic, and raises questions about how long we can continue to offer the best education, while our funding is among the least."

Sullivan pointed out that William and Mary has the lowest financial resource ranking among the top 35 universities. Among that group, the university with the next lowest financial rank is the University of Virginia at 54th. He also called attention to the

fact that the percentage of classes offered by the College that enroll 20 students or fewer had slipped from 46 to 41.

"This is a result of reductions in state funding, which are hampering our efforts to provide small classes that foster exceptional teaching and learning," said Sullivan. "William and Mary retains its national reputation and high rankings in the face of budget cuts primarily due to the efforts of dedicated faculty and staff who have mitigated the impact of inadequate funding on students."

Since December 2001, \$27.9 million in state support has been cut from William and

Mary's operating budget. On an annualized basis, that amounts to \$14.6 million in cuts during both this fiscal year and the previous one.

With the approval of the state, the College recovered 52 percent of the lost funds through tuition increases.

### Other College Guides: Chattiness vs. Statistics

While the U.S. News & World Report rankings are statistically based, some of the most interesting college guides are chatty in nature, featuring comments gleaned from student questionnaires. The Best 351 Colleges-published by the Princeton Review-calls William and Mary "a small public university with a big reputation (considered by some to be the most 'prestigious' and 'competitive' in the country)." The article continues, ". . . it comes down to one's feeling about the place, and the zeitgeist at William and Mary seems to be summed up best by a freshman: 'Good times, guys. Good times."

Those sentiments are echoed by the Fiske Guide to Colleges 2004, described by USA Today as "the best college guide you can buy." Edited by the former education editor of the New York Times, the book says, "The W&M formula of blending the old and the new has been working for more than three hundred years, and it's only getting better with age." In addition to being named a "best buy," the College earns the guide's highest academic ranking. This assessment is driven by glowing student comments like, "Professors cultivate a genuine interest, and students go home thinking and applying these things to our daily lives."

### State Budget Update

### **Richmond News** Is Good and Bad

There was some good economic news and some bad economic news in Governor Mark Warner's presentation to the Gen-

eral Assembly Budget updates will appear in

W&M News

as available.

money committees on August

The good news, said the governor, is that the state finished last year with a

\$55-million surplus. Warner also pointed to the fact that there are increasing signs of an economic recovery across the nation and in

"Even with the economic recovery," the governor continued, "there will be a substantial gap between available revenues and the spending requirements."

That funding gap is, of course, the bad news. The governor did not spell out how he might propose to close the gap in the next biennium—by either recommending additional cuts to state programs or increasing revenues. A state commission is studying a revision of the state tax code, and will report later this year.

And how does all this shake out for the College of William and Mary? It is too early to tell, say the experts. As further information becomes available, it will appear in the William and Mary News.

#### Another 'best class' ever

THE IRAO ATTACK - NASA'S NEXT MOVE

### Recruiting Success Helps College Maintain Its Edge

"Preliminary data shows that the class of 2007 is the best in the College's history," Karen Cottrell told a group of administrators the week before classes began.

The characterization is accurate, but surprisingly, the words

caused the associate provost for enrollment to cringe slightly. Cottrell, you see, is dreading the day that she won't be able to make that simple statement.

"It can't go on forever," she said about the lengthening string of annual fall announcements about William and Mary's outstanding classes.

It appears, however, that the string of succeeding "best classes" is unlikely to end any time soon. Freshman SAT scores have never been higher; the middle 50-percentile scores of the class of 2007 were 1230/ 1470, as compared to 1270/1420 last year.

Riding a wave of popularity among prospective students that resulted in a record 10,199 applications, William and Mary has risen to the head of the class in undergraduate recruiting. As recently as 1997, the College received only 7,201 applications, but investments in marketing and communications over the past five years have paid huge dividends in increased applicants and, thus, increased selec-

The freshmen represent a wide range of backgrounds, cul-

tures and races, coming from 42 states and 21 foreign countries. Nineteen percent are students of color, an increase over the 18.1 percent last year. Forty-five percent are male, identical to last year's class. All these statistics are based on preliminary data, and the exact class profile will be determined later

While the increasing quality of freshmen attracts the most attention, the qualifications of entering students in the graduate and professional schools also are impressive. The 206 mem-

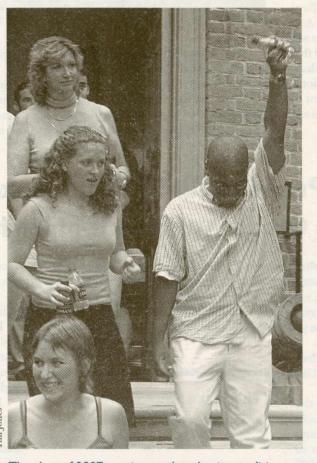
> bers of the 1L class at the William and Mary School of Law, for instance, had a median undergraduate grade point average of 3.65, and their median average on the LSAT was at the 92nd percentile. The average GMAT scores of the 81 students admitted to the full-time MBA program was 623, and 45 percent of the students are from such foreign countries as Belarus, Peru, Thailand and India.

> Some 554 individuals applied for admission to the graduate programs of the School of Education, and 278 were admitted. The mean undergraduate GPA of those admitted was 3.34. This is almost identical to the 3.36 mean GPA of the 28 entering students at VIMS. And of the 136 students entering the graduate programs in arts and sciences, the largest number—27—enrolled in computer science.

Perhaps even more gratifying than their intellectual qualifications, those entering William and Mary this year bring strong commitments to community service. One entering freshman, for instance, organized a forum on the Middle East that attracted 800 of his fellow high school classmates.

Others served as counselors in camps for the handicapped and raised funds for a wide range of causes. Graduate and professional students volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, Hospice, Legal Aid for Migrant Workers and other causes.





The class of 2007 continues a lengthening tradition at the College of being the "best ever."

# Feiss Agenda Realistically Ambitious for W&M

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One of the core principles that tops the new provost's list is the College's dedication to the liberal arts and sciences, a vision that evokes considerable passion: "We must be universally recognized as an institution whose core is a great liberal arts college. It will be built on independent student learning and research in partnership with faculty. It must value the personal interaction between faculty and student that derives from small classes in a residential setting. We will continue to

nurture community-based learning and research to develop in our graduates the ability to engage life as contributing members of the world community."

Educated as a geologist and matured by 30 years in teaching and administration in the arts and sciences, Feiss is committed to the centrality of the liberal arts, and he is clearly capable of thinking in very broad strokes, a fact underscored by the eclectic collection decorating his office. Directly under the Frank Stella lithograph, for instance, are a baseball signed by Cleveland Indian Bob Feller and frozen lumps of lava, ge-

odes and fossils from around the world. On the shelves are books covering such diverse topics as Resources in America's Future, Affluence in Jeopardy, Beating the College Blues and William and Mary Theater.

"The William and Mary of the future will be recognized for its nationally renowned graduate and professional pro-

grams which derive strength from blending their special missions with those of a great 'university college,'" he said, adopting a term coined by College alumnus and Harvard dean Henry Rosovsky.

"We need also to expand the list of adjectives describing William and Mary. Characteristics like curiosity and discovery, energy and dynamism, leadership and innovation, diversity and daring which now don't trip from our tongues as readily as do tradition, beauty and selectivity."

Feiss recognizes, of course, that this vision is broad, and he seeks to convert the abstract to the concrete, and that's where the conversations with various groups become increasingly valuable. And at the end, does all of this lead to a new strategic plan?

"For goodness sakes, no," he quickly reassured. "I don't think that anyone could equal the one developed

Photos by Tim Jones

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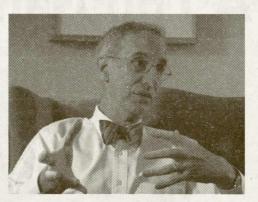
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The College's new provost, Geoffrey Feiss, believes William and Mary is positioned to build upon its standing as a worldclass liberal-arts college as it transforms itself into a top-tier educational institution during the coming generation.

by the committee chaired by Gill Cell. And we simply do not have the time for such an effort, given present circumstances. No, I want to hold these conversations in existing settings—in the governance structure, faculty and administrative forums, assessment exercises, alumni meetings."

When pressed for specific outcomes, Feiss will hazard a few examples. But he stressed that they are for discussion only, and he noted the fact that many of the ideas floating to the surface are natural extensions of what the faculty have already begun.

"Can we expand the Sharpe Community Partnership Program throughout the College, into the graduate and professional schools and perhaps even into the international arena? Could we extend an opportunity for each rising senior with at least a 3.5 grade point average to take a class in one of our graduate and profes-

sional programs? Can we better focus the ingenuity of the faculty to expand our research endeavors and couple these to economic development opportunities to strengthen the economy?" he asked.

—Geoffrey Feiss

Other questions spilled out in rapid fire: Could we promote more international exchanges in the graduate and professional programs ... or unify our campus speaker series to create a first-class speakers program on campus ... or extend to every senior the chance to complete an independent learning experience?

The new provost is well aware that these or other initiatives that might develop from his conversations face a hard birth in light of stringent budget conditions. For that reason, he plans to direct a good deal of his energy to improve fiscal management.

"We know that all great universities, a priori, consist of great faculty and great students. We simply must find

ways to offer competitive salaries and to provide more financial aid—for undergraduates and graduate students," Feiss said. He quickly pointed out that it is unlikely that the fiscal solution lies in Richmond, and recognizes the vital importance of the Campaign for William and Mary.

As an assistant to Gill Cell—then dean of arts and sciences at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill—Feiss supervised the budget and planning for UNC's largest academic unit. He hopes to apply the lessons he learned there to the College's current circumstances.

"We are an institution that has, in a very real sense, outgrown our existing administrative practices. We must not be limited in our aspirations by a lack of flexibility, agility or reliable information. As we plan, set priorities and define the criteria with which we will make resource-allocation decisions, we must rely on verifiable data and use it to decide what opportunities to pursue," he said.

Specifically, Feiss hopes to develop what he called a "responsibility-based" academic budgeting system that allows units to control the bulk of their resources, a rational enrollment management planning process to manage enrollment changes and a space allocation program.

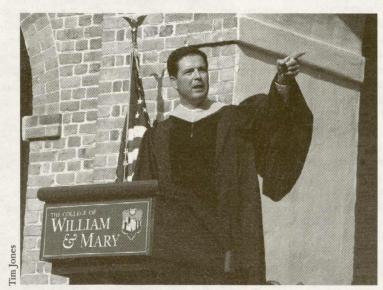
An ambitious agenda? Of course. Is the new provost up to it? Certainly. Not only that, but the new provost believes that there'll actually be time for him and his wife—Nancy West, science coordinator for the Williamsburg-James City County Schools—to slip out West to enjoy the view from their cabin.

"It's just up the mountain from Ft. Collins, in the middle of the Mummy Range. We bought the land several years ago, and considered several options about how to construct a cabin. Finally, we decided to purchase a kit, and we called all the friends we knew to help us put it up. In fact, it couldn't have been built without the help from our friends," he said.

Come to think of it, isn't that the way you build a great university?

by Bill Walker

### Convocation Speaker Challenges Students to Dream and to Serve



"We need you" to make a difference in the world, convocation speaker James Comey told William and Mary freshmen.

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tion is to refuse to let bad win, to refuse to let evil hold the field." There are many ways to do this, Comey said, all of which can be developed and tested at William and Mary.

"William and Mary turns out people who want to keep learning, keep challenging, and keep making a difference," he said.

One of those people was Dave Brown ('78), who died on the Shuttle Columbia earlier this year. Comey praised Brown as "one of the best of William and Mary," and he spoke of Brown's dedication to scientific research with international partners, his commitment to learning, and his willingness to risk his life for the betterment of the human race. Encouraging students to follow in the steps of William and Mary's finest, Comey charged the newest class to "enjoy this island; treasure this island. Your time here will fly, which is a good thing, because we need you."

Welcoming the class of 2007 to the island were

scores of boisterous upperclassmen stationed at the front of the Sir Christopher Wren Building. As the newest members of the College passed through the portico in the traditional convocation walk, they were greeted with voluminous cheers and applause.

"We had heard that the upperclassmen clap for you when you walk through the Wren, but we didn't know it would be this many," said freshman Jess Vance.

"It was nice. We feel welcome, like we are now really part of the family," said freshman Arielle Kuiper.

That family is one where members always cheer for their own and encourage one another to reach his or her potential—no excuses. And judging by freshman Molly Goodwin-Jones's observation after only three days of class—"I never had to do this much reading in high school"—it seems faculty, too, believe in wasting no time.

by Tim Iones

# Bernard: A Thousand Times a Bride's Best Friend

### Don't get married in the Wren Chapel without this man

E ighteen years times 80: As the unofficially acknowledged keeper of the Wren and its historic chapel, Bernard Bowman has helped bring off more successful weddings than most area clergymen. Undoubtedly his quick thinking and calm assurances in the face of crisis have saved a few.

Officially the supervisor of special events at the Wren, Bowman's written duties simply are to make sure the building is open and the groups of celebrants get in and out within their two-hour allotment of time. Other things-lighting candles, placing altar cloths, gathering bridal trains, exuding smiles—are gratis: Bernard does them out of his own desire to make every bride happy and every Wren ceremony as perfect as

Stress-the proverbial pre-wedding jitterson the part of wedding celebrants often provides his greatest challenge. Bernard illustrates: "It was a Jewish wedding, and the lady was very nervous, so I kept talking to her, telling her, 'Come on, just be cool. Everything is going to be all right.' She made about one hundred trips from the chapel to the Great Hall, just walking, pacing. I thought she was going to pass out. I saw that she just wanted to do a little crying, and I said, 'C'mon, don't do that,' and I just kept on with her until I got her straightened up. This was the mother of the bride.'

Mostly it is the mothers who struggle with nerves, Bowman has observed through the years. "I talk to the mothers; I talk to the brides, asking them, 'Are you happy? Are you ready?' Sometimes I hug them; reassure them. What I do is try to make everybody happy.

Other Bowman observations as a witness to more than one thousand weddings: All brides, indeed, are beautiful; the fathers of brides are generally calm; and wedding photographers generally want to "take pictures all day long," he said.



Bernard Bowman wants every Wren event to be as perfect as possible.

"The photographers are the ones I sometimes have to run out when it's time for the next group," he said.

ouise Kale, William and Mary's executive di-Lerector of the historic campus, states matterof-factly that "Bernard is a bride's best friend. He runs a tight ship; Bernard's brides can be assured of smooth sailing.'

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'68), quickly affirmed Kale's statement. Hoffman, who admitted to a certain level of anxiety during her daughter's recent Wren wedding, credited Bowman's professionalism with easing the level of tension for all. "Bernard is special (1) because he knows exactly what he is doing, (2) because he takes pride in his work and (3) because it's very important to him that your wedding goes off the way it's supposed to go off. That's special. You don't find many Bernards out in the world anymore, He should be a wedding planner," Hoffman said.

Despite similar accolades and career advice from others who have benefited from his presence during marriage ceremonies, there is little chance that Bowman, who recently turned 70 and celebrated his own 50th anniversary, will make that vocational change. His job remains "to open the building; to lock it up," he said, the same as when the came to the College as the part-time Wren custodian in 1985 while working full time for Colonial Williamsburg. Sometimes he is there 20 hours a week; recently, during peak wedding season, the hours have approached 50. "Fifty is nothing," he said, dismissing extra hours as fair tradeoff if that's what it takes to make each ceremony live up to the expectations of those who choose the landmark as a wedding venue.

To date, there have been no disasters, al-I though a couple of near misses do come to Bowman's mind.

"We had one where the father of the groom passed out. He had to be taken to the hospital:

he had a bad heart. He was walking the bride in, and he passed out just before he got up to the preacher. People looked at me. I just called 911."

Several other times participants have passed out before or during their ceremonies.

"I had one guy, a groom, who, as the ceremony was getting ready to start, hit the floor," he recalled. "Boom! But they got him together, and he got married. We didn't dial

911 for him because there was nothing really wrong with him. I had been talking to him before the ceremony started, and he had told me what he was doing the night before-had a few drinks; didn't get any sleep."

Normally the ceremonies proceed without such interruptions, and Bowman's presence is less visible. Mostly he is "walking," he said, inside checking the west door to make sure it is closed, keeping an eye out to make sure "things

are running smooth," putting up the signs so the tourists do not try to enter. "I just keep walking," he said, "trying to make sure everything is going all right. I don't get much rest sitting down.

As he walks, undoubtedly Bowman will be smiling—an endearing, trademark Bernardesque smile that is welcoming to guests and reassuring to the wedding party.

"I smile a a lot; I don't cry at the weddings," he said. "I'm just always happy to see them, to be a small part of them." Although it is common for wedding parties to offer a gratuity—he recalls one Christmas Day when he was called in to open the chapel for a wedding and received a \$200 tip-participating in the joy of those getting married and not the monetary tokens is what motivates him.

"Weddings are great times," he said. "Everybody is happy, and I'm happy. That is the greatest thing."

by David Williard

### Wren Wedding Hints from Louise

The following is excerpted from a Web site published by Louise Kale, director of the historic campus. -Ed.

#### Who may use the chapel

The Wren Chapel may be reserved for the weddings of William and Mary students, alumni, current faculty and staff. and the children of anyone in those groups.

The staff of the Wren Building does not involve itself with matters of faith, ritual, taste or style. We do concern ourselves with matters that affect the safety and comfort of your guests and matters that bear on the welfare of the Wren

#### The principal decoration

The dimensions of the top of the altar table are 30 inches by 78 inches (36 inches high). If your celebrant plans to conduct part of your service from behind the table, be sure the scale of your arrangement will not interfere. It is Louise's opinion that the bride and her attendants are the principal decorations of the chapel.

■ The capacity of the Wren Chapel is limited to 120 guests. The interior measures approximately 24 feet by 58 feet. The plan above shows the altar at the bottom and the exterior door at the top.

#### Closing the doors

Since the bride and her escort are the last ones in the wedding party to enter the chapel, we recor have a friend or family member posted at the door to straighten the bride's veil and train and to close the door.

The groom, his best man and the officiant typically enter the chapel through the sacristy. The last one through the door must remember to shut it so that your guests won't be staring into a closet during your ceremony. Your officiant is the most likely of the three to have his wits about him, so Louise suggests you assign him or her the door-shutting

Frequently the wedding couple and their attendants leave the chapel, walk through the courtyard and re-enter the building by way of the portico, waiting in the hall behind the chapel for their guests to leave, and then going back into the chapel to pose for photographs. ... There is no prohibition against flash photography in the Wren.

For more information, including a brief history of the Wren Building, its chapel and photographs of its interior, go to the Web site at www.wm.edu/about/wren/wrenchapel.



### Summer of the British Debates

#### Genetically modified food, other topics, test Bolls ('04) in London

This past summer, Harriman Fellow Jonathan Bolls ('04) served as a foreign service officer in London. Following is his first-person account of finding his way around the city and of joining in the British debate.

"Thank you for flying United. Welcome to London." I was finally here, having eagerly looked forward to starting this internship. I had the distinct honor to be a Harriman Fellow, and I was soon about to find that the experience itself was much more than an introduction to a professional job in the foreign service. Thrown into a country with its own culture for three months, I would be the foreigner for the first time in my life.

My living set-up could not have been better. For the first few weeks, I lived in a single dorm on the fifth floor of a building off Oxford Street in Mayfair. It was a University of London dorm, and the students helped me break into London big-city life. My summer project involved genetically-modified food (GM), and it just so happened that one student just completed a major project on it for her medical track. Uncharacteristic for the British, she turned out



Jonathan Bolls came away from London with a sense of British politics, history and with a tendency to think with an English accent.

to be a supporter of the technology. She gave me insights as to why many oppose it. ... When the students left for summer break, they left me a lamp, a radio, and pots and pans for cooking. Necessity forced me to learn how to cook very quickly, as eating out in London proved to be very ex-

The embassy itself is a heavily guarded, high security building. They provided me with multiple passwords during my inprocessing, as well as a hard drive for my computer, which I had to lock up every evening. After I received my secret clearance and a thorough security briefing, I was ready to begin my work in the science and technology section. I had taken quite a few college-level science courses already, but as a government major, I knew I was embarking on new territory.

#### On the job

On the first day my supervisor, a diplomat who just arrived from Ljubljana, Slovenia, asked me to oversee an American admiral's itinerary and arrange meetings with high-level government officials here regarding climate change. Our timing could not have been better-days before, Prime Minister Tony Blair called for a complete government reshuffle. This resulted in the resignation of two members of Parliament on the schedule. Michael Meacher, an environmental minister known for disagreeing with the Labour Party's progressive stance on genetically modified food, was one who was forced to resign. After doing some reshuffling of my own with the appointments, I prepared the talking points for the admiral's meeting.

My second day was no less daunting. I was tasked with preparing an outline presentation my boss was going to deliver that afternoon on "horizon scanning"—all the latest developments in the world of science. I had to prepare this before my scheduled train to Birmingham, where I had the opportunity to represent the U.S. Embassy at the first

government-sponsored debate on genetically modified food. GM food continues to be a point of major disagreement between the British public, who remain skeptical of the technology, and the American public, which embraces it. I soon found myself seated at one of 30 tables and immediately put on the spot. No sooner had I put on my nametag when one of the older ladies said, "So Jon, you're an American. What do you think?" I delivered the "official" U.S. position as well as I could, probably the only one who said anything in favor of the technology. I added jokingly that we have a lot of GM food in the States, and yet I'm still going strong. One man addressed the group saying his only fear was that the U.K. would bandwagon with the United States, as it has been known to do in the past. His comment drew a thunderous round of applause. Right before the meeting ended, a farmer raised an interesting question: Would the British public be

> willing to subsidize farmers who keep their products GM free if GM crops were allowed into the market? The whole group seemed to answer in one voice that, indeed, it would.

Each of the interns was required to do three hours of work in the consular section with passports. Foreign service officers have all of about five minutes to ask the right questions about where the person is from and what business they have in the United States. Decisions that affect hopes and dreams of coming to the States are made often on mere gut instinct. One woman went so far as to forge documents about where she worked and bank accounts she held. The woman was almost arrested, but they settled for putting a permanent bar on her application.

At Parliament. I attended a question session, which gradually became more and more rowdy through the morning. The topic was GM food again, and Labour government officials on one side of the scepter responded to pointed questions by the Tories (conservatives) about a 133-page report just

released on the technology. The Labour government made several references to ceding regulation authority on GM food to the European Commission, causing somewhat of an uproar from the Tories' side. One member of Parliament from the Labour side spoke up indignantly: "Mr, Speaker, this is mischief. It is apparent the Tories have an agenda of their own to eventually withdraw from the E.U."

#### Outside the office

Kay Floyd, a William and Mary student and fellow International Relations Club member, worked at the International Institute for Strategic Studies. When I arrived, she was the only friend I had in the country. We went to see Richard II at Shakespeare's Globe Theater. We were in the standing section, which looked up at the characters who performed on a five-foot-high stage. We also attended a swing dance club on Mondays

At the embassy, we worked with government officials all the time, but I was curious how the British people themselves felt about America. And I knew just the place to find out. Speaker's Corner in Hyde Park is legendary for allowing anyone and anybody to share views. ... My Americanism is apparently obvious to the British, so I was dragged into a debate about how to combat terrorism. While some British guys disagreed with our current approach, I always felt welcomed into the conversations.

With the enormous history here in Britain comes a strong sense of honor and tradition. You can't see this kind of stuff on television (a good thing, nevertheless, because I didn't have one). The best part of the internship is not the job itself; it's everything that happens outside of the office. Funny how after a while living in Britain you start to think in a British accent. If you catch me around campus saying "cheers" or "hello mate" every now and then, just know that I am harking back to my summer experience in London.

Tracee Tsui's ('04) first-person account of her summer internship in London is at www.wm.edu/news/studentpage.

### notes

#### Emergence of 'American Empire' is topic of Lyon G. Tyler Lecture Series starting Sept 18

Influences of the 'Cold War' on current American attitudes about their country's place in the world will be the overall theme tying together the three Lyon G. Tyler lectures beginning Sept. 18.

Three important scholars of American diplomatic history and foreign policy will speak to the following question: Do we presently stand witness to the emergence of an American Empire, and, if so, how did this come about during the past 50 years?

Lectures are:

"The Myth of President Truman and the Consequences of the Cold War" — Professor Arnold A. Offner (Layfayette College), Thursday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m., Tucker 120;

"Dates Which Will Live: Pearl Harbor and 9/11 in American Memory" —Professor Emily Rosenberg (Macalester College), Thursday, Oct. 2, 4 p.m., Commonwealth Auditorium, University Center;

"Pax Americana in the Persian Gulf" — Professor Majid Tehranian (University of Hawaii at Manoa), Wednesday, Oct. 15, 4 p.m., Tidewater B, University Center.

The lecture series, sponsored by the College's Lyon G. Tyler Department of History, is dedicated to the exploration of central themes and issues in the history of the United States, commencing with the first interactions between Europeans and the indigenous peoples of North America. Previous series have invited eminent scholars to reflect on topics as diverse as the significance of the Civil War or the varieties of Native American experience in the eras of colonization and westward expansion.

All of the talks are free and open to the public.

#### New company showcases W&M talent

Well-known local actress and theater professor Elizabeth Wiley has teamed with her actor/musician husband, David Doersch, to form a new theatrical production company entitled Wiley Coyote Productions. The company's first offering will present the chilling sexual manipulation of Christopher Hampton's Les Liaisons Dangereuses. There will be five performances at the Kimball Theatre from Sept. 18 through Sept. 21.

Wiley, who is the head of acting in the College's department of theatre, speech and dance, has performed in numerous local productions, including her recent brilliant portrayal of Margrethe Bohr in the Virginia Shakespeare Festival's rendition of *Copenhagen*. Other members of the cast include William and Mary student Emily Turner ('04) and alumnus Aaron Orensky ('02).

Performances are scheduled at 8 p.m. Sept. 18-20 and at 2 p.m. Sept. 20-21. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students with an ID.

#### Muscarelle features Feast the Eye, Fool the Eye

Wilford W. Scott of the National Gallery of Art will present a gallery talk at 5:30 p.m. on Sept. 4 at the Muscarelle Museum in conjunction with the current exhibit, Feast the Eye, Fool the Eye; Still Live and Trompe-l'oeil Paintings from the Oscar and Maria Salzer Collection. The still lifes depict their place and period from the solid bourgeois materialism of 17th-century Holland to the polished approach to nature by 19th-century Americans.

#### Help available for papers, speeches

The Writing Resources Center, located in Tucker II5A, offers free one-to-one consultations to students at all stages of the writing process. An oral communications studio also is located in the center to assist students preparing for speeches or oral presentations. The center, which is staffed by trained undergraduate writing consultants, is open from I0 a.m. to noon and from I p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday nights. Students may call 221-3925 to reserve an appointment, or stop by the center during regular business hours.

### Surfin' the Net from the Garden

More than 80 wireless network spots available on campus



Government concentrator Clinton Herget enjoys the sun as he accesses the Web.

'I took my laptop out to the

halfway down from the antenna

—Scott Fenstermacher

Sunken Garden, and about

I was getting full speed.'

Until recently, checking email hardly could justify summoning the strength to rise from the serene expanse of the Sunken Garden on an early fall afternoon. But now, bring a laptop with a wireless network card to a study sojourn in that grassy landscape, and the scenery stays the same with the internet only a few clicks away.

Internet access in the Sunken Garden is the latest effort of the College's information technology (IT) department to install multitudes of wireless internet access points around campus.

"We've quietly been deploying these little access points in buildings all over campus, and now, wireless internet is pretty widely deployed," said Courtney Carpenter, associate provost for IT.

Now there are more than 80 points in 21 buildings, as well as the one in the Sunken Gar-

den. These inconspicuous little white boxes and antennae canvas primarily academic buildings and public spaces, including parts of the campus center, university center, commons dining, The Daily Grind, Swem Library, and the William and

Mary bookstore—places where internet access is highly useful. Now, even events held in the Sunken Garden can take advantage of the new technology.

Once in the vicinity of an access point, all it takes to log on is a laptop computer equipped with a wireless card (compatible with the College's wireless technology, 802.11b) and a College user id and password, required for registration. This mandatory registration login, which appears automatically the first time users attempt to use the College's wireless connection, helps protect the campus network from unauthorized use. Once registered however, surfing is a lot like the hard-wired desktop experience.

"This technology is not a replacement for existing wired connections on campus," Carpenter said. "It is a convenient connection—a complementary technology."

At peak performance, wireless access is very fast. But several factors can influence connection speed, including proximity to an access point (signal transmitter), what lies between the laptop and the transmitter and how many users are taking up available bandwidth. The quality of the transmitter, or antenna, can also impact performance.

Wireless technology works in much the same way as a walkie-talkie —the farther a user is from an access point, the poorer the reception. Consequently, the more bricks, walls, tables or chalkboards in the way, the poorer the reception. Most buildings that employ wireless technology have

several access points to help minimize these effects. Outside, trees, bushes and man-made structures such as buildings cause interference.

Technologically speaking, the clear line of sight found in the Sunken Garden makes it a perfect spot for a transmitter. The antenna is cleverly hidden beneath a thin layer of ivy climbing up the bricks of the last stairwell, farthest from the Wren Building.

"I took my laptop out to the Sunken Garden, and about halfway down from the antenna I was getting full speed. But I also sat on the steps closest to the Wren, turned my laptop so it was facing the access point, and I was still surfin' the web," said Scott Fenstermacher, network manager for IT.

Weather generally doesn't impact connection performance significantly, Fenstermacher said.

Case in point: IT used wireless internet to provide students living in the Governors Inn access to the campus network. And, despite several stormy days and nights, there was absolutely no network downtime.

Extremely heavy rain could affect wireless con-

nections, Fenstermacher said. Then again, users attempting to log on with a laptop outside in the pouring rain may experience a few more serious problems than a slower wireless connection.

With such widespread availability of wireless access, IT staff are now recommending that incoming students bring laptop computers equipped for wireless internet instead of full sized desktop computers. Laptops can still be plugged in for wired access in the dorm rooms and other locations on campus, but they have the added advantage of being portable.

Even students without laptop computers can experience the convenience of wireless access in Swem Library. More than 20 laptops are available for checkout, each wireless ready, so users can sit virtually anywhere in the library and do research—come midterms and finals when every table and chair seems filled, students can grab a laptop and join their fellow students on the floor.

Guest lecturers, conference attendees and other temporary members of the College community can take advantage of the wireless network, too. IT issues temporary logins to visitors who have a faculty or staff sponsor at the College.

As IT continues to install more and more access points and technological evolution of the nation's second oldest university continues, William and Mary network access may soon resemble the well-known cellular phone company commercial: "Can you log on now? Good. Can you log on now? Good."

by Tim Jones

### Frank Talk from Earnestine

During her 22 years as a food-service employee at the College, Earnestine Jackson endeared herself as "a second mother" to countless students, a trusted friend to fellow staff members and a responsible voice respected by management.

Now retired, facing the final stages of cancer, Earnestine talked freely about her "love for her babies," the importance of "respect" and the struggles that she, as a staff member, has overcome. Following are segments of our conversation. —Ed.

### Q. What have you been doing to keep busy since you left the College?

Earnestine: Recently I took a trip to Richmond for a wedding. One of my babies from the College was getting married. There was a seat reserved for me with the family. After they cut the cake, I danced with the groom ....

They think I'm still a teenager; it's going to kill me. They want me to go to dance with them, and I keep saying I'm not as young as I used to be. I just have to kind of hide from them sometimes.

#### Q. Why do students respond to you?

Earnestine: I think the main reason the students like me is that I showed them respect. They're away from home, away from their parents, away from friends, and they are under a lot of stress. You have no idea how many memorial services I have gone to—somebody who has gone on



Earnestine Jackson

vacation and has come to think that they just can't make it any longer in this world. I would tell them if they need to talk to anybody, just call me. I have gotten up out of my bed in the middle of the night if one of those kids called. They're under a lot of stress. They're trying to find themselves, and if they thought nobody cared, then what do they have to live for?

They think I did everything for them. I'm selfish. They taught me. I learned from them. What I learned from them helped me to be a better person, a better wife, a better mother. ...

#### Friends seek to give back

Earnestine now is going through something that no-one should have to go through alone. If you could just send a card, make a call or stop by, it would mean a great deal to her. I would like for the College community to come together with a small donation to help pay for her medicine. Her address is 203 Bethune Dr., Williamsburg, VA 23185. She can be reached at 258-3793. Checks should be made out to her.

-Carol Burks

### Q. Fellow staff members seem to feel the same about you. Why is that?

Earnestine: They, as well as students, have taught me, too. They are my babies, as well—only older babies. They have come to me when they wanted to talk about something that is going on. It seems that many people, when you talk to them, can always find lots of dirt, lots of criticism about somebody else. ... They take so much time digging up that dirt that they can't see the good. I think I always do concentrate on the good ....

These workers deserve respect. I know that 99 and one-half percent of the staff I worked with in food services are underpaid. They're the ones who get up at 4:30 in the morning, rain, sleet or snow .... They have come in, and they have gotten things straight. They know how to open the buildings. They know how to get the registers going. They know how to serve those students with their hands tied behind their backs. All I'm saying is give them respect, and acknowledge those ones who are in there day in and day out.

Some of them are riding bikes to work because they can't buy a car. Some are bringing their kids to work because they can't afford daycare. Thomasine Lewis worked last year well after graduation in so much pain—she had a ruptured hernia, and it could have killed her. ... You won't see their frustration, however. When they wait on you, you're their guest, and they all want to treat you the way you should be treated. ...

### Q. You learned from students and staff. What was the hardest lesson?

Earnestine: Money was always a problem, but in 2000, when I had my stroke, I learned that the kids were going to do a benefit for me. I called a friend at the *Virginia Gazette* and said, "The kids are putting on a benefit to raise money for me. I'm not going to let them do it." ... He said, "You need to have your head examined. You are always giving to everybody else. Don't be so selfish as to stop something somebody else wants to do for you."

An extended version of this interview is at www.wmnews.staff.

### College employee of the month

### **Banks Sees Things from Others' View**

Danny Banks

What if you could wake up in the morning excited to go to work? What if you knew before you even got there, that nothing in the course of the day's busi-

ness could make you any less enthusiastic to be there? This, for Danny Banks, is every day.

"I don't get frustrated and I refuse to get upset. That is who I am." Banks said.

That's good news for potential MBA candidates, since Banks, July's Hourly and Classi-

fied Employee of the Month, is likely the first person they will meet when researching William and Mary's School of Business Administration. As the business school's operations coordinator for admissions, Banks guides prospective students through the application process.

"Danny believes in the highest level of customer service," said Kathy Pattison, director of MBA admissions. "He remembers all the names of prospective students and he engages them. His service and personal touch do not end once the marketing effort is over—they continue through orientation and as students move through the program."

In many ways his approach to admissions typifies Banks' approach to life, and his uncanny ability to work with all

kinds of people.

"In everything I do, I keep relationships with people foremost. Without good relationships, there really is nothing else," he said.

Maintaining relationships often means realizing that there are many different people in the world, and some of them can be difficult. But for Banks, it's simply a matter of trying to see things from the other's perspective. Banks' co-workers value relationships

too, and he credits them in part for making it easy to enjoy his work as much as he does.

Banks' personal touch to all things MBA admissions is even evident in computer applications. In addition to his regular contact management duties, Banks recently headed the effort to create an on-line application for the MBA program. Transitioning from a hard copy to an on-line application is no simple task, but Banks worked tirelessly to make the switch smooth and easy, even for those a little computer-weary.

"I've worked in MBA admissions for the past 18 years, and have never seen an employee consistently offer the kind of over-the-top service that Danny does for all of us," Pattison said.

### sports briefs

#### Follow Tribe action online

Tribe fans will be able to follow the action on their computers as William and Mary is providing free online streaming of audio broadcasts at www.TribeAthletics.com.. Currently simulcasts of football and men's basketball radio broadcasts are available, but internet only broadcasts of other sports may be added in the future.

The first game of the season to be streamed online will be the football match between the Tribe and Western Michigan Saturday, Sept. 6. The broadcast will begin at 6:30 p.m.

### Women's cross country nationally ranked at #25

The College's women's cross country team has been ranked 25th in the preseason FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country National Poll. The Tribe is the only Colonial Athletic Conference team to be ranked. Defending champion Brigham Young topped the poll. The Tribe opens its season Sept. 13 at the Lou Onesty Cross Country Invitational, hosted by the University of Virginia.

#### **Need sports?**



Go to www.TribeAthletics.com

Site features up-todate stories, scores and stats about NCAA teams at William and Mary.

#### Men's soccer team #25; loses heartbreak opener

The Tribe's men's soccer team, ranked 25th in the SoccerTimes.com Preseason College Coaches Poll, lost a heartbreak decision to Rutgers 3-2 in overtime at Barksdale Field Aug. 30.

The squad returns to action this weekend at the Duke Classic. It will play the host Blue Devils (ranked #23) on Friday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m., then it will meet North Carolina State on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 2:30 p.m.

# calendar

PLEASE NOTE ... Members of the College community may submit items to the calendar and classified ad sections of the William & Mary News. College events and classifieds must be submitted in writing through campus mail, by fax or by e-mail. Submissions must be signed with a contact name and telephone number for verification purposes. Items may be edited for clarity or length. Direct submissions to the William & Mary News, Holmes House, 308 Jamestown Rd. Fax to 221-3243. E-mail to wmnews@wm.edu. Call 221-2644 for more information. The deadline for the Sept. 18 issue is Sept. 11 at 5 p.m.

#### **Today**

**Volunteer Fair:** 5:30–7:30 p.m., Lobby, University Center. 221-3263.

Exhibition Speakers Series: Gallery talk by Wilford Scott, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the current exhibition Feast the Eye, Fool the Eye: Still Life and Trompe-l'oeil Paintings from the Oscar and Maria Salzer Collection. 5:30 p.m., Muscarelle Museum. Free and open to the public. 221-2703

#### Sept. 5

Physics Department Colloquium: "Dirty Bombs, A Discouraging Second Look," Peter Zimmerman, Democratic chief scientist, Senate Foreign Relations Committee. 4 p.m., Small 109. 221-3538.

**UCAB presents:** Hypnotist Tom DeLuca. 8 p.m., Phi Beta Kappa Hall. 221-2132.

#### Sept. 6

**UCAB** presents Screen on the Green: "Old School" and "Airplane." 8:30 p.m., Sunken Garden. 221-2132.

#### Sept. 7

**UCAB, Multicultural Affairs and SASA present:** Apache Indian Hip Hop Festival. 4 p.m., Sunken Garden. 221-2132.

#### Sept. 8

Third Emery Reves Memorial Lecture: "Peace and Security in the Middle East," Israeli Ambassador Daniel Ayalon. 7:30 p.m., Commonwealth Auditorium, University Center. Free and open to the public. 221-3590.

#### Sept. 9

HACE General Meeting: Kathy Van Mullekom, reporter for the *Daily Press*, will make a presentation, "Lessons Learned from the Garden." Noon–1 p.m., Tidewater A, University Center. The College employee of the month award will be presented. Hourly, classified, faculty and administrative staff members are invited to attend and bring their lunch. Yearly HACE membership is \$7. Nonmembers are welcome and are asked to contribute \$3 toward ongoing special projects. 221-1791.

#### Sept. 10

Welcome Back Students Reception: Sponsored by the Museum/University Student Exchange (MUSE). 5–7 p.m., Muscarelle Museum. Free and open to all students. 221-2703.

#### Sept. I

**Film:** "In Memoriam: New York City." 1, 2 and 3 p.m., Muscarelle Museum. 221-2703.

Reception for the current Andrews exhibition, *Conversation in Clay: Work of Seven Ceramic Artists.* 4 p.m., Andrews Gallery, Andrews Hall. Free and open to the public. 221-1452.

#### Sept. 11, 18

CWA/Town & Gown Luncheon and Lecture Series: "The State of the Commonwealth," Suzette Denslow, director of legislation, office of Governor Mark Warner (Sept. 11). "China in a Global Age: WTO, SARS, WHO, ROC, WWW, FIFA, NBA, 4G, etc.," Craig Canning, Associate Professor of History (Sept. 18). Noon–1:30 p.m., Chesapeake Rooms A and B, University Center. 221-1079 or 221-1505.

#### Sept. 12

Verizon 2003 Undergraduate Science Re-

House in City of Williamsburg in Wyndham on the Park-

way (412 Zelkova Rd.). 2 BRs + loft/3rd BR, 2-1/2 baths, 1st

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countertops, Viking range and farmhouse sink in kitchen. \$590,000. For more information, see http://members.cox.net/jwgc304 or call 220-5743.

classified advertisements

**search Symposium:** Students in applied science, biology, chemistry, computer science, geology, kinesiology, math and physics report research results with presentations and posters. 1–4 p.m., University Center. 221-2445.

#### Sept. 13

Interdisciplinary Colloquium: Featuring Linda Harrar, senior producer of "The Race to Save the Planet," "Cadillac Desert" and "Six Billion and Beyond"; film clips, discussion, panel discussion. 1–4 p.m., Tidewater Rooms A and B, University Center. Sponsored by the Program in Environmental Studies and Gaia International. For information, contact Timmons Roberts, professor of sociology and director of environmental studies, at jtrobe@wm.edu.

#### Sept. 13 and 14

VIMS Bay Exploration Field Trips: Canoe tours of Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve sites, led by professional field educators. Hands-on activities will highlight the plants and animals found in the different estuarine habitats in the Virginia Reserves. Different locations will be visited each trip: Sept. 13: Catlett Island; and Sept. 14: Goodwin Island. Participants must be able to paddle three miles, be ready to get wet and muddy and bring lunch and drinks (no alcohol). Children must be in fourth grade or higher to participate and children in grades 4 through 7 must be accompanied by an adult. The guide, canoes and life jackets will be provided. Free and open to the public. Space is limited and reservations are required. To reserve space or for more information, call (804) 684-7846 or e-mail programs@ vims.edu.

#### Sept. 18

Annual Collegewide Faculty Meeting: 4 p.m., Wren Yard. New colleagues will be recognized and welcomed. Reception follows to celebrate the opening of the new year. 5 p.m., Wren Yard. By invitation. 221-2428.

Lyon Gardiner Tyler Lecture Series: "The Myth of President Truman and the Consequences of the Cold War," Arnold Offner, Lafayette College. 4 p.m., Tucker 120. 221-3730.

**Lecture:** "Homer and the Archaeology of Hero Cult," Carla Antonaccio, Duke University. Sponsored by the Archaeological Institute of America, Williamsburg Society. 4 p.m., Andrews 101. 221-2160.

International Summer Internships Information Session: 4:30–6 p.m., Chesapeake Room A, University Center. Representatives from Career Services, Reves Center, Charles Center, State Department, and CIA will be available to talk to students about finding and applying for internationally-focused summer internships. All students are welcome. 221-3240.

William & Mary Concert Series: "Rhythm & Brass," 8 p.m., Phi Beta Kappa Hall. General admission \$20. Call 221-3276 to check on availability of tickets.

#### Sept. 19-20

221-1646.

offer. Call 259-5992 any time

Supreme Court Preview: The Institute of Bill of Rights Law marks the commencement of the new term of the United States Supreme Court each fall with this conference. Now in its 16th year, the Supreme Court Preview brings together leading Supreme Court journalists, advocates and legal scholars for a day and a half to discuss and analyze the Court's upcom-

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ing term. 6–9:15 p.m., Sept. 19 and 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Sept. 20, Law School 119 and 120. For more information contact Melody Nichols at ibrl@wm.edu or (757)221 3810.

#### Sept. 19-21

Family Weekend: For a schedule of activities, see the Student Affairs Web site, http://web.wm.edu/student affairs/family.php.

#### Sept. 20

**Annual Bike Sale:** 9 a.m., Campus Police (behind Campus Center); viewing begins at 8 a.m. First come, first serve. 221-1152.

**KASA presents:** Chusok Festival. 6 p.m., University Center. 221-2300.

**Ewell Concert Series:** Charles Hulin, pianist. 8 p.m., Ewell Recital Hall. Free and open to the public. 221-1082.

### Sept. 22, Oct. 8 and 24, Nov. 13, Dec. 4

Student Lunches with President Sullivan. President Timothy Sullivan will host a series of luncheons to give students an opportunity to meet with him informally in groups of 10. Lunch begins at noon on Sept. 22, and Oct. 8 and 24 and at 12:30 p.m. on Nov. 13 and Dec. 4 in the President's House and lasts approximately one hour. Students may sign up to attend a luncheon by contacting Carla Jordan at 221-1693 or cajord@wm.edu.

#### Sept. 24, Oct. 24, Nov. 11, Dec. 5

Student Open Houses with President Sullivan. President Timothy Sullivan has reserved office hours especially for students to discuss issues that concern them (or just to chat). Individuals or small groups may reserve 10-minute appointments from 4–5 p.m. Contact Carla Jordan at 221-1693 or e-mail cajord@wm.edu.

#### **Tuesdays**

William & Mary Christian Faculty Fellowship Meeting. 12:15 p.m., Colony Room, University Center. 221-3523.

#### Fridays

Informal Meeting of Faculty Group: A group organized to read the Hebrew Bible in a non-religious context. No preparation required. Bring an English-translation Bible of your choice. 11 a.m.—noon, Morton 340. For information, e-mail Naama Zahavi-Ely at nxzaha@wm.edu or call 229-2102 (home).

#### Weekdays, Sunday-Thursday Evenings

Writing Resources Center and Oral Communications Studio: Offering free one-on-one consultation to students at all stages of the writing process and assisting students preparing for speeches or oral presentations. Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-noon and 1–4 p.m.; 7–10 p.m., Sun.-Thurs. evenings. Students should call 221-3925 to make appointments or stop by the Center during regular hours.

#### exhibitions

#### Through Sept. 19

Conversation in Clay: Work of Seven Ceramic Artists.

The exhibition will be on display 10 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays in Andrews Gallery, Andrews Hall. Admission is free. 221-1452.

#### Through Oct. 19

Nature Morte: Still Life in the Permanent Collection

#### Ten by Appel

Feast the Eye, Fool the Eye: Still Life and Trompel'oeil Paintings from the Oscar and Maria Salzer Collection.

These exhibitions will be on display in the Muscarelle Museum on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 12 noon-4 p.m., and on Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m. The museum will be closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Admission to traveling exhibitions will be free for museum members and William and Mary students. Admission for all other visitors is \$5. Admission to galleries that display objects from the permanent collection is free. 221-2703.

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#### sports

#### Sept. 5

Women's Soccer vs. Maryland, 4 p.m. Volleyball vs. Belmont, 7 p.m.

#### Sept. 6

Volleyball vs. North Carolina, noon. Field Hockey vs. Lafayette, 1 p.m. Volleyball vs. Marist, 7 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Rutgers, 7 p.m.

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Women's Soccer vs. Liberty, 2 p.m.

#### Sept. 9

Field Hockey vs. Stanford, 7 p.m.

Sept. 19-21

Women's Tennis, 11th Annual W&M Invitational

For information, call 221-3369.

#### Deadline

#### Sept. 5

Nominations for the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Grant Program. Individuals wishing to apply for the grant must be nominated by the College. Nominations must be received in the Grants Office, 314 Jamestown Rd., no later than the deadline. For additional information, contact Mike Ludwick at 991,3485

#### Looking Ahead

#### Sept. 27

**Football Home Season Opener** vs. University of Maine. 1 p.m., Zable Stadium.

#### Community

### Sept. 8

Williamsburg Regional Library Lit-Flick Book & Movie Series: Featuring a special program on the recently released film, "Seabiscuit." The PBS film, "The American Experience: Seabiscuit," will be screened at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. by an hour-long interview with Ferris Allen, a William and Mary alumni, conducted by Andrew Smith, readers' services librarian. A drawing for giveaways will be held following the interview. Among the giveaways are Seabiscuit T-shirts and visors, copies of Laura Hillenbrand's book, Seabiscuit: An American Legend, Seabiscuit posters and movies passes from area theaters. Williamsburg Regional Library, 515 Scotland St. No reservations required, free admission. 259-4071.

#### Sept. 20

Bluegrass Concert: "Old School Freight Train," a bluegrass band blending old-time sound with jazz, classical, Latin and funk. Featured are two College alumni: Pete Frostic on the mandolin and Jesse Harper on the guitar; and Ben Krakauer, son of Henry Krakauer, professor of physics. 7:30 p.m., Matthew Whaley Auditorium, 301 Scotland St. The concert, sponsored by the Bank of Williamsburg, William & Mary Bookstore and Plan 9 Music, benefits the Matthew Whaley PTA. Advance tickets are \$8 (\$10 at the door) and \$5 (\$7 at the door) for those under 14. Tickets may be purchased at Plan 9 Music (formerly Echoes) or ordered by mail from Cindy Hahamovitch, Department of History, College of William and Mary, P.O. Box 8795, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795. If ordering by mail, include a check and a stamped, return-addressed envelope. For more information, call Cindy at 221-3770.

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